

# HOLLY SEARS

## Awards

- 2012 **The Basil H. Alkazzi Award for Excellence in Painting**
- 2010 **Commission, Laminated Glass Windows - Metro-North Railroad Station, Tarrytown, NY** (installed Fall 2012)  
MTA Arts for Transit and Urban Design, with funding by American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009
- 2003, 2001, 1999 **Fellowship at Virginia Center for the Creative Arts** - Sweet Briar, Virginia

## Solo & Two Person Exhibitions

- 2012 **Holly Sears: Hudson River Explorers** solo exhibition Kenise Barnes Fine Art – Larchmont, NY
- 2012 **Holly Sears: Hudson River Explorers** Hudson River Museum – Yonkers, NY
- 2010 **Holly Sears & Wendy Rolfe “Dream Awake”** two person exhibition Tria Gallery – New York, NY
- 2007 **Holly Sears “Species, Genus, Family, Kingdom”** solo exhibition Metaphor Contemporary Art - Brooklyn, NY
- 2005 **Holly Sears** solo exhibition Joyce Goldstein Gallery - Chatham, NY
- 2003 **Holly Sears “Sightings”** solo exhibition Metaphor Contemporary Art Gallery - Brooklyn, NY
- 1991 **Holly Sears “New Paintings”** solo exhibition Ruth Siegel Gallery - New York, NY
- 1983 **Holly Sears “Unsure Times”** solo exhibition Anderson Gallery - Richmond, VA
- 1981 **Holly Sears “String Loves”** solo exhibition Richmond Artist’s Workshop - Richmond, VA

## Group Exhibitions

- 2016 **Bedazzled** Lehman College Art Gallery, Bronx, NY
- Land, Air, Place** Project: ARTspace, New York, NY
- 2015 **Small Works** Sirona Fine Art Gallery, Hallandale Beach, FL
- Art Palm Beach** Sirona Fine Art Gallery, Hallandale Beach, FL
- 2013 **Eye On The Storm** curated by D. Dominick Lombardi, Bob Rauschenberg Gallery, Fort Meyers, FL  
and Housatonic Museum in Bridgeport, CT
- 2012 **Size Matters: Small Works from the Fine Art Collection** New Jersey State Museum, Trenton, NJ
- 2012 **Postcards from the Edge** - Benefit for Rockland Center for the Arts (ROCA), Nyack, NY
- 2011 **40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration at Apella** -Benefit auction for Virginia Center for the Creative Arts (VCCA) – New York, NY
- 2010 **Fresh Paint** Rockland Center for the Arts - Nyack, NY
- 2009 **Natural History** Central Booking - Brooklyn, NY
- Stayin Alive** Metaphor Contemporary Art Gallery - Brooklyn, NY
- 2008 **Gifts from the Studio** Kenise Barnes Fine Art - Larchmont, NY
- Art Obama Auction** Brooklyn, NY
- Leave nature to nature** Art Gate Gallery - Chelsea, NY
- 2007 **Punchbowl** Metaphor Contemporary Art Gallery - Brooklyn, NY
- The Drawing Show** Joyce Goldstein Gallery - Chatham, NY
- 2006 **Mischief** Metaphor Contemporary Art Gallery - Brooklyn, NY
- 2006-8 **Art in Embassies Program, U.S. Department of State, Tel Aviv 2006**, Tel Aviv, Israel
- Scope Hamptons Fair** Metaphor Contemporary Art - Brooklyn, NY
- Works on Paper Benefit** Kentler International Drawing Space - Brooklyn, NY
- 2004 **Breathing Space** Metaphor Contemporary Art Gallery - Brooklyn, NY
- Enchantment** Glyndor Gallery, Wave Hill - Bronx, NY
- 2003 **Bestiary** 55 Mercer Gallery - New York, NY

- The Birds II** Edward Hopper House - Nyack, NY
- Paper** Metaphor Contemporary Art Gallery - Brooklyn, NY
- 2002 **Affordable Art Fair NYC** Metaphor Contemporary Art Gallery - Brooklyn, NY
- The Birds** OCCC Gallery - Demarest, NJ
- Botanical Gardens: The Birds and the Bees** Kenise Barnes Fine Art - Larchmont, NY  
& The Gallery at Pfizer Learning Center - Rye Brook, NY
- Treehouse** Metaphor Contemporary Art Gallery - Brooklyn, NY
- 2001 **Poetic Information** Metaphor Contemporary Art Gallery - Brooklyn, NY
- 2000 **Pier Show Eight** Brooklyn, NY
- 1991 **Birds in Science and Art** Bergen Museum of Art and Science - Paramus, NJ
- 1990 **Faith in the Fin de Siecle** Marymount Manhattan Gallery - New York, NY
- 1989 **Landscape: A Travelogue Painted from Memory, Imagination or Reality** Ruth Siegel Gallery – New York, NY
- 1985 **The Printed Surface** Churchman-Fehsenfeld Gallery - Indianapolis, IN
- 1984 **Vincennes Herron Faculty Show** Vincennes University Gallery - Vincennes, IN
- 1983 **Biennial Faculty Exhibition** Herron Gallery - Indianapolis, IN
- Virginia Museum Biennial** Virginia Museum of Fine Art - Richmond, VA
- 5/5 Tredegar Iron Works** Richmond, VA
- Alumni of the Masonic Temple** Anderson Gallery - Richmond, VA
- Brixton Exchange Show** Brixton Co-op - Brixton, England
- 2nd Degree Art** Fayerweather Gallery - Charlottesville, VA
- 1982 **New Picture Show** Jewish Community Center, Richmond, VA
- 1981 **North - South A.R.T.S.** Gallery - New York, NY

### **Collections**

NYU Langone Medical Center, New York, NY

Hudson River Museum, Yonkers, NY

New Jersey State Museum, Trenton, NJ

Bank of America

Best Products Collection - Sidney and Frances Lewis, Richmond, VA

American Telephone and Telegraphy, IL

Dr. Harry Steinberg and Nola Zirin, NY

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Morgenstern, Highland Park, IL

numerous private collections

### **Bibliography**

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"Art in Embassies Exhibition, United States Embassy Tel Aviv" *Exhibition Brochure* US Department of State, Washington, D.C., May 2007

"Enchantment" *Exhibition Brochure* Glyndor Gallery, Wave Hill - Bronx, New York 2004

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"Holly Sears" *Exhibition Catalog* Metaphor Contemporary Art, essay by Dominique Nahas - Brooklyn, New York 2003

"The Next Juried Show" *Exhibition Catalog* Virginia Museum of Fine Art - Richmond, Virginia 1983

"Alumni of the Masonic Temple" *Exhibition Catalog* Anderson Gallery - Richmond, Virginia 1983

"The Tredegar Iron Works Exhibition" *Exhibition Catalogue* Richmond Federated Arts Council - Richmond, Virginia 1983

## **Education**

Multimedia Studies, 1998-2000 & 2007 - NYU

MFA in Painting and Lithography, 1983 - Virginia Commonwealth University - Richmond, Virginia

BFA in Painting and Printmaking, 1977 - Virginia Commonwealth University - Richmond, Virginia