

Judy Bales

Education:

Auburn University, 1969-1972
Cortona Studies Abroad Program, 1973
BFA, University of Georgia, 1975
MFA, University of Georgia, 1983

Selected Group and Solo Exhibitions

- 2020 **Unhindered Spirit: Embracing Perfection**, Leland Gallery, Georgia College **SOLO EXHIBITION**
Threads of Truth, Zhou B Art Center, Chicago, Illinois
Hard Won, Not Done: Eastern Iowa Women Artists Invitational, Muscatine Art Center, Iowa
41st Rock Island Art Guild Fine Arts Exhibition, Figge Art Museum, Davenport, Iowa
- 2019 **Entangled**, Indian Hills Community College Gallery, Ottumwa, Iowa **SOLO EXHIBITION**
Into the Blue, Cedar Rapids Art Museum, Cedar Rapids, Iowa
Fiber Artists of Iowa, Grinnell College Museum of Art, Grinnell, Iowa, invitational group exhibition
2019 DUMA Biennial, Dubuque Museum of Art, Dubuque, Iowa
- 2018 **Line**, Blandon Museum of Art, invitational group exhibition
Call and Response, Lyndon House Art Center, Athens, Georgia, two-person exhibition
World of Threads International Exhibition and Festival 2018, Oakville, Ontario, Canada
- 2017 **Found in Translation**, Freeport Art Museum, Freeport, Illinois, four-person exhibition
Inciting Rapture, Gilded Pear Gallery, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, two-person exhibition
- 2016 **World of Threads Exhibition and Festival 2016**, Oakville, Ontario, Canada
SILENCEPRODUCEPRESENCE, ArtFiftyTwo, Fairfield, Iowa, two-person exhibition
Divided/Attraction, Gilded Pear Gallery, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, received Best in Show
- 2015 **Datzuzoku**, ArtFiftyTwo, Fairfield, Iowa
- 2014 **Yugen**, Museum of Arts and Sciences, Macon, Georgia **SOLO EXHIBITION**
Iowa Crafts, MacNider Art Museum, Mason City, Iowa, Special Mention award
Whimsy, ICON Gallery, Fairfield, Iowa
- 2012 **Art Iowa Inspired by the Landscape**, Old Capitol Museum, Iowa City, Iowa
Veil at the Vault, sponsored by Teeple Hansen Gallery, Fairfield, Iowa **SOLO EXHIBITION**
- 2010 **Teeple Hansen Gallery**, Fairfield, Iowa **SOLO EXHIBITION**
- 2009 **Wrapped and Folded**, Adams Gallery, Cumberland University, Lebanon, Tennessee **SOLO EXHIBITION**
Synecdoche, Quad City Arts, Rock Island, Iowa. Two person exhibition.
- 2008 **Night Crawlers**, ICON Gallery, Fairfield, Iowa **SOLO EXHIBITION**
Metalfabricmetal, Mills Gallery, Central College, Pella, Iowa **SOLO EXHIBITION**
- 2007 **Wire Bound**, Lux Center for the Arts, Lincoln, Nebraska **SOLO EXHIBITION**
- 2006 **Expansion and Compression**, Appalachian Center for Craft, Tennessee Tech University, Smithville, Tennessee **SOLO EXHIBITION**
Counterpoint, Peter Paul Luce Gallery, Cornell College, Mt. Vernon, Iowa **SOLO EXHIBITION**
- 2005 **Earth Bound**, MacNider Art Museum, Mason City, Iowa. Two person exhibition.
Out of Fashion, Union Art Gallery, University of Milwaukee, Milwaukee, Wisconsin
- 2004/05 **Ready to Wear**, John Michael Kohler Arts Center, Sheboygan, Wisconsin
- 2003 **Fiber Focus**, Art St. Louis, St. Louis, Missouri
- 2002 **Reinventing Arcadia**, Larson Art Gallery, University of Minnesota, St. Paul, Minnesota **SOLO EXHIBITION**
- 2001 **FIBERARTinternational2001**, Society for Contemporary Craft, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
- 2000 **Foundation of a Century**, Nassau County Museum of Art, Roslyn Harbor, New York
- 1999 **Iowa Artists 1999**, Des Moines Art Museum, Des Moines, Iowa
Materials: Hard and Soft, Greater Denton Arts Council, Denton, Texas

- Judy Bales and Truly Ball**, Len G. Everett Gallery, Monmouth College, Monmouth, Illinois
Shaw Cramer Gallery, Vineyard Haven, Massachusetts
- 1998 **Overtones!**, Convergence, Atlanta, Georgia
Small Expressions, Atlanta International Museum, Atlanta, Georgia
Surface: New Form/New Function, Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts, Gatlinburg, Tennessee
- 1997 **Paper/Fiber XX**, Iowa City, Iowa
Iowa Artists '97, Des Moines Art Museum, Des Moines, Iowa
- 1995 **Vessels**, College of New Rochelle, New Rochelle, New York
- 1994 **Wiggles and Spots**, Delta State University, Cleveland, Mississippi
- 1993 **The Space Within: Contemporary Basketry in the Midwest**, Waterloo Iowa Museum of Art
Paper/Fiber XVI, Iowa City, Iowa
Woven Vessels: Contemporary Baskets, Sheldon Memorial Gallery, Lincoln, Nebraska
- 1992 **Needle Expressions '92**, Arizona State University Art Museum, Tempe, Arizona
Influences>Innovations, Torpedo Factory Art Center, Alexandria, Virginia
Iowa Artists '92, Des Moines Art Museum, Des Moines, Iowa
- 1991 **Basketry from All Directions**, Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts, Gatlinburg, Tennessee
Multimedia Basketry Invitational, Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa
Contemporary Crafts, Farrell Collection, Washington, D.C.
- 1990 **The Spirited Touch**, Archetype Gallery, New York, New York
Basketweave '90, Dairy Barn Gallery, Athens, Ohio
Exploring Fiber Traditions, Views Gallery, Manayunk, Pennsylvania
- 1989 **Iowa Artists 1989**, Des Moines Art Museum, Des Moines, Iowa
Fast Forward, Gayle Willson Gallery, Southampton, New York
Fiber/Weavings, The Private Collection, Cincinnati, Ohio
Personal Packaging, Schweinfurth Memorial Art Center, Auburn, New York
Small and Curious Objects, Carega Foxley Leach Gallery, Washington, DC

Public Art, Consulting and Residential Commissions

- 2012 **Western Route Trail Enhancements**, Fairfield, Iowa
- 2011 **Southern Route Trail Enhancements**, Fairfield, Iowa
Sculpture Visions 2011, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, year long temporary public art display
Artstop 2011 Project Spaces, Des Moines, Iowa, temporary public art display
- 2010 **Matkin Seating Area**, Fairfield, Iowa
Private Residential Commission, Des Moines, Iowa, commissioned through Moberg Gallery
Old US-80 Highway Bridge at Gila River, Maricopa County, Arizona, Aesthetic Consultant.
- 2008 **35th Avenue and Salt River Bridge**, Phoenix, Arizona.
Weave-Through, Blue Springs, Missouri
- 2007-08 **Aesthetic Consultant** to Cannon TranSystems, Tucson, Arizona.
- 2007 **Jefferson County Trails Council Bridges on the Cedar View Trail**, Fairfield, Iowa
- 2005 **Maryland Avenue Bridge Public Art Project**, Phoenix, Arizona.
- 2004 **Jefferson County Trails Council Bridge over BNSF Railroad**, Fairfield, Iowa
- 1999 **Sculptural commission for Amy O'Deen residence**, Iowa City, Iowa
- 1992 **Sculptural commission for Delores Stiles residence**, Newport News, Virginia

Finalist Selection: Public Art Competitions

- 2012 **Colorado Pedestrian Bridge**, Denver, Colorado
- 2011 **Symphony Lake Bridge**, Cary, North Carolina
- 2008 **Davis Road Bridge at Pixley Slough Project**, Stockton, California
- 2007 **El Dorado Street Bridge Project**, Stockton, California
- 2006 **Ankeny to Woodward Trail Art Project**, Ankeny, Iowa
US/64 Pedestrian Greenway Bridge, Cary, North Carolina

- 2005 **SH-102 Bridge Reconstruction over the Turner Turnpike**, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
Mt. Si Bridge Replacement Project, King County, Washington
Artist Designed Passenger Shelter, Banner Baywood Medical Center, Mesa, Arizona
- 2003 **Los Angeles Fire Station #83**, Los Angeles, California
Highway 7 Corridor Public Art Project, Blue Springs, Missouri
Des Moines East Village Storefront Public Art Project, Des Moines, Iowa

Selected Art Wear Events

- 2020 **Fashion Show in Magnolia Ballroom**, work by Judy Bales, Georgia College, Milledgeville, Georgia
- 2019 **Omaha Fashion Week**, Omaha Design Center, Omaha, Nebraska, August, 2019
- 2018 **Omaha Fashion Week**, Omaha Design Center, Omaha, Nebraska, August, 2018
- 2017 **Omaha Fashion Week**, Omaha Design Center, Omaha, Nebraska, August, 2017
Omaha Fashion Week, Omaha Design Center, Omaha, Nebraska, February, 2017
Kansas City Fashion Week, Nebraska, March, 2017
- 2016 **Omaha Fashion Week**, Omaha Design Center, Omaha, Nebraska, March, 2016
- 2015 **Omaha Fashion Week**, Omaha, Nebraska, August, 2015
Omaha Fashion Week, Omaha, Nebraska, March, 2015
- 2014 **Splatter to Sparkle**, University of Iowa Museum of Art
- 2013 **Fabricate**, International Conference for the Surface Design Association, San Antonio, Texas
Serenity, Sondheim Center for the Arts, Fairfield, Iowa
- 2012 **Persephone: A Rock Ballet**, Sondheim Center, Fairfield, Iowa, 2012.
Worlds Collide, Morning Star Studio, Fairfield, Iowa
- 2011 **Brancott Estate World of Wearable Art Awards Show**, Wellington, New Zealand
Bodies of Water Runway Show, International Conference of the Surface Design Association

Grants/Awards for Solo and Collaborative Projects

- 2012 **Iowa Arts Council Mini Grant**
Challenge America Fast Track Grant (awarded to Jefferson County Trails Council for public art project)
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- 2009 **Iowa Arts Council Major Grant** (awarded to Jefferson County Trails Council for public art project)
Awarded one **Iowa Arts Council Mini Grant**
- 2008 **Iowa Arts Council Major Grant** (awarded to Jefferson County Trails Council for public art project)
Awarded two **Iowa Arts Council Mini Grants**
- 2007 **Iowa Arts Council Mini Grant**
- 2006 **Arizona Engineering Excellence Grand Award** awarded to TranSystems for the Maryland Avenue Pedestrian & Bicycle Bridge Over I-17, Phoenix, Arizona
- 2006 **Challenge America Fast Track Grant** (awarded to Jefferson County Trails Council for public art project)
- 2002 **Challenge America Fast Track Grant** (awarded to Jefferson County Trails Council for public art project).
- 1993 **Iowa Arts Council Mini Grant**

Papers, Presentations and Articles Published

- 2012 **Critical Interventions**, Creating Again and Again, Fractal Patterns and Process in Improvisational African American Quilts, No. 9/10, Spring, 2012
- 2010 **Surface Design Journal**, Thinking *Inside* the Box: Infinity Within the Finite Fall, 2010, Volume 35, No 1, by Judy Bales
- 2009 **Fractal Geometry in African American Quilt Traditions**: Presented at the 4th Biennial Symposium of the International Quilt Study Center & Museum: The Global Quilt: Cultural Contexts, Lincoln, Nebraska
- 2008 **ICON Gallery Odd Thursday** Presentation on fractal geometry and quilts of Rosie Lee Tompkins
- 2007 **ICON Gallery Odd Thursday** Powerpoint presentation introducing African American quilt research

2007 **Symposium Paper on the Maryland Avenue Pedestrian & Bicycle Bridge** by Jerry A. Cannon, Dave Peterson & Judy Bales, presented at the 46th IEEE Conference, New Orleans, LA, USA 2007

Selected reviews or photos published

Volition Magazine, Issue 1, January 2016

Surreal Beauty Magazine, December, 2015

Obscurae, September, 2015

Mystica, September, 2015

Scorpio Jin Magazine, Volume One

Surface Design Journal, Fall, 2009, Volume 34, No 1

The Big Fish: Consciousness as Structure, Body and Space, by Anna Bonshek, Rodopi, 2007

Surface Design Journal, Informed Source, Spring 2005, Volume 29

Fiberarts Design Book Seven, Lark Books, 2004

Ornament, Vol. 27, No. 2, 2003/04

Fiberarts Design Book Six, Lark Books, 1999

American Craft Magazine, Gallery, February/March, 1999

Fiberarts, New Works, September/October, 1997

American Craft Magazine, Gallery, December/January, 1995

American Craft Magazine, Portfolio, December/January, 1993

American Craft Magazine, Gallery, October/November, 1990

Visiting Artist Presentations and Residencies

2020 Georgia College, Milledgeville, Georgia

2018 Figge Art Museum, Davenport, Iowa

2018 Clarinda Carnegie Art Museum, Clarinda, Iowa (residency)

2016 Clarinda Carnegie Art Museum, Clarinda, Iowa

2014 Macon Museum of Arts and Sciences, Macon, Georgia (residency)

2012 Old Capitol Museum, Iowa City, Iowa

2012 Georgia Museum of Art, Athens, Georgia

2009 Cumberland University, Lebanon, Tennessee

2008 Rotary Park, Blue Springs, Missouri

Central College, Pella, Iowa

2007 American Trails Symposium, Davenport, Iowa

2006 Cornell College, Mt. Vernon, Iowa

2005 MacNider Art Museum, Mason City, Iowa

City of Phoenix Public Schools, Phoenix, Arizona (residency)

2004 University of Wisconsin, River Falls, Wisconsin

2002 Mt. Mercy College, Cedar Rapids, Iowa

1999 Monmouth College, Monmouth Illinois

1989 Resident Artist, Artpark, Lewiston, New York (craft artist residency)

