

## LAURA BRAINARD RABORN - CURRICULUM VITAE

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### EDUCATION

Drawing Marathon, Intensive course with Ilse Murdock and Guests at the New York Studio School, Jan. 2023  
Portrait Painting and Drawing, Al Gury, Philadelphia Academy of Fine Art, Spring 2021  
University of Arkansas at Little Rock, Master of Art, GPA 4.0, May 2014  
Rollins College, B.A., Major: English, Double Minor: Spanish and Studio Art, 1993

### EXHIBITIONS and AWARDS

- 2022 "Natural Connections: An Exhibit of Paintings by Laura Raborn and Emily Wood," Galleries at Library Square, Little Rock, AR.  
"Figure + Form," Group Exhibition, curated by Dr. Kelsey Malone, Henderson State University, Arkadelphia, AR.  
"June Group Exhibit," and lecture, Justus Fine Art Gallery, Hot Springs, AR.  
"Small Works on Paper," juried by Ronald Jackson, Arkansas Arts Council Touring Exhibition around Arkansas.
- 2021 "Irene Rosenzweig Biennial Exhibition," juried by Deidre Argyle of Missouri State University, The Arts and Science Center for Southeast Arkansas.  
"34th Annual McNeese National Works on Paper Exhibition," juried by Robyn Phillips-Pendleton of University of Delaware, McNeese State University, LA.  
"Museum Meditations," Solo Exhibit, Justus Fine Art Gallery, Hot Springs, AR.  
"A Curated Collection," Group Exhibition, Cantrell Gallery, Little Rock, AR.
- 2020 Taught virtual art classes, reworked website, and worked in home studio on "Museum Meditation" paintings during Covid-19 lockdown.
- 2019 "Looking Closely" Exhibition, Princess St. Gallery, Harbour Island, Bahamas.  
"Prison Portrait Project," Group Exhibition, Compassion Works for All, The New Gallery, Little Rock, AR.  
"Processing," Solo Exhibit, Ouachita Baptist University, Arkadelphia, AR.  
"Presence," Solo Exhibit, Cantrell Gallery, Little Rock, AR.  
"7th Annual National Juried Exhibition," Batesville Area Arts Council, Batesville, AR.  
"Texas & Neighbors Regional Art Exhibition," Irving Art Association, Irving, TX.  
"March Group Exhibit", Justus Fine Art Gallery, Hot Springs, AR.  
"Next Generation," Group Exhibition, Henderson State University Landmark Building, Hot Springs, AR.  
"February Group Exhibit," Justus Fine Art Gallery, Hot Springs, AR.
- 2018 "Layers" Solo Exhibit, The Art Group Gallery, Little Rock, AR.  
"Delta des Refuses," Group Exhibition, The Butler Center for Arkansas Studies, Little Rock, AR.  
"Looking Closely", Solo Exhibit, Cantrell Gallery, Little Rock, AR.  
"Completely Consolidated Experience," Group Exhibition, Cantrell Gallery, Little Rock, AR.  
"One Year Down," Group Exhibition, New Deal Gallery, juried by Rachel Trusty, Little Rock, AR.
- 2017 "Wildwood 'Art in the Park' Exhibition," Little Rock, AR.  
"Nasty Woman" National Exhibition , UA Little Rock, Juried by Margo Duvall.  
"Island Memories and Dreams," Solo Exhibit, New Deal Gallery, Little Rock, AR.  
"30th Annual McNeese National Works on Paper Exhibition," Juried by Gia Hamilton of the Joan Mitchell Center, New Orleans, LA.  
"Island Dreams and Memories," Solo Exhibit, Argenta Library Gallery, N. Little Rock, AR.
- 2016 "Water Works," Group Exhibition, Justus Fine Art Gallery, Hot Springs, AR.  
"58th Annual Delta Exhibition," Arkansas Arts Center. Juried by Liz Garvey of Simon Garvey New York.  
"Family Exhibition" Justus Fine Art Gallery, Hot Springs, AR.  
"Small Works on Paper," Arkansas Arts Council, Juried exhibit touring Arkansas.
- 2015 "Delta des Refuses," Group Exhibition, Argenta Library, N. Little Rock, AR.  
"Texarkana Regional Arts and Humanities 27th Annual Juried Exhibition," Texarkana, TX.  
"3rd Annual National Juried Exhibition," Batesville Area Arts Council, Batesville, AR.  
"Texas & Neighbors Regional Art Competition & Exhibit," Irving, TX.  
"An Italy Experience: Reflections on the Past and Present," Solo Exhibition, Boswell Mourot Fine Art, Little Rock, AR.
- 2014 "Provocative Shapes," Group Exhibition, Boswell Mourot Fine Art, Little Rock, AR.  
"UA Little Rock Graduate Exhibition".  
"UA Little Rock Spring Fine Art Competition".
- 2013 "Irene Rosenzweig Biennial Juried Exhibition," Southeast Arts and Science Center, Juried by Matthew Lopas, Juror Award, Pine Bluff, AR.  
"Women of the South Annual Exhibit," Invitational, Greg Thompson Fine Art, N. Little Rock, AR.  
"UA Little Rock Spring Fine Art Competition," Wilma and Jack Diner Purchase Award.
- 2012 "Women of the South Annual Exhibit," Invitational, Greg Thompson Fine Art, N. Little Rock, AR.  
"Juried Exhibition," South Arkansas Arts Center, Juried by Manuela Well-Off-Man, Ph.D., assistant curator at Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art.  
"Mount Magazine State Park Lodge," Solo Exhibition, Awarded by the Arkansas Arts Council.

### LECTURES and ACTIVITIES

- 2023 Artist Talk, "Natural Connections" exhibition, The Galleries and Bookstore at Library Square, Little Rock AR, Jan.
- 2022 Artist Residency, Virginia Center for Creative Arts campus in Auvillar, France, Sept.  
Artist Presentation, "Tea Talk," Justus Fine Art, Hot Springs, AR, June  
Artist Residency, BreakCreate, a community and teaching based one-month residency, Breckenridge, CO, Apr.  
Interview, "Figure + Form," exhibit, Dr. Kelsey Malone at Henderson State University, Arkadelphia, AR. Feb.
- 2021 Artist Residency, Fellowship at Virginia Center for Creative Arts, Amherst, VA, Dec.  
"Sally A. Williams" Grant Recipient, Arkansas Arts Council.  
Artist Sabbatical, Women's International Study Center, Santa Fe, NM, Sept.
- 2020 Interview, Arkansas Arts Center, Instagram Live.  
Interview, Arkansas Arts Council, Facebook Live.
- 2019 Lecture, "Looking Closely," Princess St. Gallery, Harbour Island, Bahamas.

- Lecture, "Processing" Solo Exhibition, Ouachita Baptist University, Arkadelphia, AR.  
 Lecture, "Presence" Exhibit, Cantrell Gallery, Little Rock, AR.  
 Lecture, "Next Generation Exhibit," Henderson State University Landmark Building, Hot Springs, AR.  
 Book publication, "Women Make Arkansas: Conversations with 50 Creatives" by Erin Wood.  
 Art Blog Writer, [www.lauraraborn.wordpress.com](http://www.lauraraborn.wordpress.com), 2013 - 2019.
- 2018 Book publication, "Untold Arkansas: An Anthology" by Erin Wood, Juried by Arkansas Arts Center Director, Todd Hermann.  
 Lecture, "Mixed Media Art Making," Wilkinson Public Library, Telluride, CO.
- 2017 Lecture, "Island Dreams and Memories," Argenta Library Gallery, N. Little Rock, AR.
- 2016 Guest Speaker, UA Little Rock Windgate Center of Art + Design, Groundbreaking Ceremony.
- 2015 Lecture, "An Art Residency in Italy: A Lasting Impact," Raymond James and Associates. Little Rock, AR.  
 Lecture, "An Italy Experience: Reflections on the Past and Present," Boswell Mourot, Little Rock, AR.  
 Lecture, "Beyond My Wildest Dreams: An Art Residency in Italy," UA Little Rock.
- 2014 Lecture, "Provocative Shapes," Boswell Mourot Fine Art, Little Rock, AR.  
 Lecture, "Paintings: A Perception of Ordinary Moments," UA Little Rock.  
 "Sally A. Williams" Grant Recipient, Arkansas Arts Council.  
 Artist Residency, Palazzo Rinaldi, Noepoli, Italy.
- 2013 Lecture, Women of the South Annual Exhibit, Greg Thompson Fine Art, N. Little Rock, AR.

Member, Arkansas Arts Council  
 Member, Arkansas Arts Center  
 Member, Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art  
 Member, Oil Painters of America  
 Member, Portrait Society of America

### WORK EXPERIENCE

- 2022 Visiting Workshop Instructor, Crystal Bridges Museum of Art, Bentonville, AR.  
 Guest Workshop Instructor, ZigZag Studio, 3 workshops, Little Rock, AR.  
 Visiting Art Instructor, Ah Haa School, Telluride, CO.
- 2021 Visiting Workshop Instructor, Crystal Bridges Museum of Art, Bentonville, AR.  
 Visiting Art Instructor, Crested Butte Center for the Arts, CO.  
 Visiting Art Instructor, Cottonwood Center for the Arts, Colorado Springs, CO.  
 Visiting Art Instructor, Bemis School of Art at Colorado College, CO.  
 Guest Workshop Instructor, Trinity Presbyterian Church, Little Rock, AR.  
 Guest Workshop Instructor, ZigZag Studio, 3 workshops, Little Rock, AR.
- 2020 Virtual Private Lessons and Workshop Instruction  
 Commission Portrait Business, 2010 - 2020.  
 Guest Instructor, ZigZag Studio, 2 workshops, Little Rock, AR.
- 2019 Guest Instructor, Pulaski Heights Christian Church, Little Rock, AR.  
 Visiting Art Instructor, Henderson State University, Landmark Building, Hot Springs, AR.  
 Guest Instructor, Arkansas Arts Center, 16 workshops (2014-2019), Little Rock, AR.
- 2018 Guest Instructor, The Art Group Gallery, Little Rock, AR.  
 Visiting Art Instructor, Ah Haa School for the Arts, Telluride, CO.  
 Guest Instructor, Arkansas Regional Innovation Hub, 2 workshops, N. Little Rock, AR.
- 2017 Guest Lecturer, University of Central Arkansas, Drawing department, Conway, AR.
- 2014 Graduate Teaching Assistant, Art History Department, Spring 2013, Fall 2013, Spring 2014, UA Little Rock.
- 2011 Local Colour Gallery Co-Op, member and employee (2008-2011), Little Rock, AR.

### PRESS

Sean Clancy, "CALs Presenting Trio of River Market Exhibits", Arkansas Democrat Gazette, Dec. 18. 2022, <https://ao.pressreader.com/article/284034786012318>  
 Jefferson Geiger, "Laura Raborn Captures the Human Spirit of Breckenridge," Summit Daily newspaper, April 28, 2022  
 Featured Artist Interview, Arkansas Art Scene blog with Philip Mayeux, [www.arkansasartscene.com](http://www.arkansasartscene.com), Jan. 2021  
 Featured Alumna, UA Little Rock Holiday Wish List Campaign, <http://www.invitingarkansas.com/featured/ua-little-rock-holiday-wish-list-campaign/>  
 Ellis Widner, "Raborn Has 'Presence' at Cantrell Gallery, Arkansas Democrat Gazette, May 26, 2019  
 Featured "Resident Artist," Heights Living magazine, Sept. 2018  
 Featured "Artist in Residence," Arkansas Times' Heights Hillcrest Riverdale Neighborhood Guide, Winter 2017  
 Erin Wood, "Transmuting Trump: Arkansas Artist Laura Raborn Transforms Trump Quotes into Funds for Planned Parenthood," Ms. Magazine, Mar. 2017 ([www.msmagazine.com](http://www.msmagazine.com)) and Entropy magazine, Mar. 2017 ([www.entropy.org](http://www.entropy.org))  
 Rachel Trusty, Art Talk Radio Show, KABF 88.3, Jan. 13 and Jan. 27, 2017 (<http://arttalkkabf.blogspot.com>)  
 University of Arkansas at Little Rock, Arts & Culture news: <https://ualr.edu/news/2016/10/12/laura-raborn/>  
 Catherine Rodgers, "What Art Can Do for a City," Arkansas Democrat Gazette, Dec. 11, 2016  
 Jordan Hickey, "Arkansas Sketchbook," Arkansas Life magazine, Aug. 2016

### COLLECTIONS

The Julia Norrell Collection  
 The Isabel and John Ed Anthony Collection  
 Arkansas Children's Hospital Collection  
 Mary Lynn and Robert Dudley Private Collection  
 CARTI Cancer Center Collection  
 Jackye and Curtis Finch "Face to Face" International Self-Portrait Collection  
 Lucy Alexander Private Collection  
 University of Arkansas at Little Rock Collection  
 Bill and Hillary Clinton Private Collection