

## **Jennifer McCandless**

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### **Education**

M.F.A. (Sculpture) - The School of the Art Institute of Chicago, IL  
1994

Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture, Post Graduate  
Program, 1995

Professional Certification in Art Education—The School of the Art  
Institute of Chicago, IL, 1995

B.F.A. (Sculpture) – Otis/Parsons School of Art and Design, Los  
Angeles, CA 1990

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### **Employment**

The Loomis Institute, Windsor, CT. Art Department Chair,  
Director and Head Curator, The Sue E. and Eugene Mercy  
Gallery Director, The Richmond Art Center Palmer and Nichols  
Fellow in Visual Art, 2007-present

Wayne State University, Detroit, MI. Adjunct Professor, Dept. of  
Ceramics and Sculpture, Beginning through Graduate Studies in  
Ceramics and Sculpture, 2000-2007

The Parade Company, Detroit, MI, Resident Sculptor, 2000-  
2007

University Liggett School, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI, Faculty,  
Fine Arts Department, 1995-2000

The Detroit Institute of Arts, Detroit, MI. Curriculum Development

Committee, 1995-2000

The School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL  
Foundation and Summer Programs, Visual Arts Instructor & TA  
Department of Sculpture, 1990-1995

### **Awards and Residencies**

Watershed Center for the Ceramic Arts, Full Fellowship (*Kiln God Award*), 2017

Joseph and Anni Albers Foundation Grant Recipient 2013-2015

Abba House Resident Artist in Figurative Sculpture, Ghana,  
Africa, 2012

Oaxacan Studies, Palmer Fellow in Art, Oaxaca, Mexico, 2011

Gaya Center for Ceramic Arts, 2014, Bali, Indonesia

Palmer Fellowship full award, 5 year Fellow, 2012-2017

Named Nichols Fellow in Art, 2010-present

Professional Honorarium Grant, The Loomis Institute, 2008

Michigan Mud, first place award honorarium, 2007

Michigan Arts League Honorarium, 2003 and 2004

Michigan Council for the Arts Year 2000 Creative Artist Grant

Artistic Development Grant, Detroit, MI, 1996-1999

Skowhegan Fellowship Resident, co-granted by Skowhegan and  
the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Graduate Program  
1995

First Place Representing Sculpture in Parsons Artists' Award  
Exhibition, 1990, Los Angeles, CA Lloyd Hamrol, Juror

## **Exhibitions**

Upcoming: Fehrenheit 2018, The American Museum of Ceramic Art, CA. 2018

Northeast Ceramic Sculpture Invitational, Art Centro Gallery, NY, 2017

*Utopia/Dystopia*, Main Street Arts, NY, May-June 2017, Curator: John Massier , Director of Hallwalls, NY

*Superfine Contemporary Art Fair, NYC, May 2017*

*2017 Ceramic Innovations*, Davenport Gallery, Wayne, PA, Curator: Chris Gustin

Leggo My Ego, Freeform Art Space, Santa Fe, MN June 2016

*X Contemporary, Art Miami, 2016, Miami, Art Shape Mammoth*

*Light, Industrial, Ecosystem*, Garner Arts, NY 2015

*Body Eden*, Wayfarers Gallery, Brooklyn , NY. Jan-Feb, 2015

*Noreaster*, The New Britain Museum of American Art, CT. Jan/Feb, 2015

*Jennifer McCandless, Mired In Humanity*, The Sue E. and Eugene Mercy Gallery, April 24- June 10, 2014

*Body Double: The Figure in Contemporary Sculpture*, The Meijer Museum of Sculpture, Curator of Sculpture, Joseph Becherer, Sept 2012- Jan. 2013

*To Go*, National Ceramic Exhibition, curated by Christa Assad, Mendocino Art Center 2011-12 *Love*, National Sculpture Society, 2011

*Craft Triennial, Silvermine Gallery, 2011*, Curator, H.Hochner, Director, Museum of Art and Design, NY

*Faculty Exhibition, The Mercy Gallery, 2007-2011 Contemporary*

*Visions in Ceramics, The Mercy Gallery, 2010*

2008 *Why Not*, The Housatanec Museum of Art, Bridgeport, CT  
2008 *Jennifer McCandless*, The Contemporary Art Institute of  
Detroit, curator, Aaron Timlin 2008

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*Avatar*, East Central College Gallery, MI.,

*Celebrating Women Artists of the East*, The John Sly Ely  
Museum, New Haven, CT

*Jennifer McCandless, New Work*, The Sue and Eugene Jr.  
Mercy Gallery, 2008

*Wayne State University Faculty Show*, Community Arts Gallery,  
2002-6

*The New Ceramics*, Gallery 451, Baltimore, MD 2005, in  
conjunction with NCECA

*Michigan Council for the Arts Grant Recipient Exhibition*, The  
Padzieski Gallery, MI 2003

*Art for the People*, The Scarab Club Main Gallery, Detroit, MI  
2002-3,

*Michigan Annual*, Art Center, Mt. Clemens, MI 2001. Z. Sikora,  
Juror

*New Work*, Jennifer Barry, Lemberg Gallery, Ferndale, MI 2001

*...Documenta USA*, the Museum of Contemporary Art, Pontiac,  
MI 1999

*Intersections*, Stevens/George Gallery, Chicago, IL 1998

*Our Town*, Exhibition of Michigan Artists, Community House  
Gallery, Birmingham, MI 1998

*First Annual Juried Competition*, Elmhurst Art Museum,  
Elmhurst, IL 1998

*Arts Faculty Exhibition*, University Liggett School, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 1997

*Potentiality*, ARC Gallery, Chicago, IL 1996. Juried exhibition curated by Melanie Feerst

*Fifteenth Annual Fresco Show*, Skowhegan Fresco Barn, Skowhegan, ME 1995

*Drive In Display*, collaborative work with Mel Chin & Ashley Thorner, Skowhegan, ME 1995

*Works on Paper, National Juried Competition*, Center for Visual Arts, Normal, IL 1995

*Works on Paper*, C.A.G.E. Gallery, Cincinnati, OH 1995

*Toy Bomb*, Hyde Park Art Center, Chicago, IL 1994

*MFA Thesis Exhibition*, The School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL 1994

*National Juried Competition*, Greenview Arts Center, Chicago, IL 1994

*American Painting*, Women's Caucus for Art, Houston, TX 1994

*New Forms in Contemporary Sculpture*, Opus Gallery, Los Angeles, CA 1990

*Annual Juried Exhibition*, 1<sup>st</sup> Place Sculpture, Otis/Parsons, Los Angeles, CA 1990 Lloyd Hamrol, Juror

*Playing Games*, Rose Gallery, Los Angeles, CA 1989

*The Art of Humor*, Reisse/La Breque Gallery, Venice, CA 1989  
*The Next Generation*, Reisse/La Breque Gallery, Los Angeles, CA 1987