

Allison Stewart

Biography

Trained as a biologist, Allison Stewart's forty-year visual arts career has been steadfastly informed by our increasingly fragile environments and the ultimate interconnectedness of all living things. Using deep layers of color and texture to illustrate experiences of time and transformation, Stewart navigates the complex and often disturbing relationships between humans and nature. Activated in the liminal space between realism and abstraction, Stewart's paintings are visual diaries upon which her responses to our threatened landscape are illuminated. Stewart has exhibited extensively throughout the United States and is represented by the Arthur Roger Gallery in New Orleans, Gail Severn Gallery in Sun Valley, and Michael Warren Contemporary in Denver. Her work is included in many public, corporate and private collections, including the U.S. Department of State Art in Embassies, the New Orleans Museum of Art, the Historic New Orleans Collection, Ogden Museum of Southern Art, Freeport McMoRan, ARCO, American Express, Pan American Life, and the Pensacola Museum of Art. Awards include fellowships and grants from the Louisiana Division of the Arts, the Endowment for the Humanities, and the Mary Freeman Wisdom Foundation, and artist-in-residence with Anderson Ranch Arts Center in Colorado.



In 1998, Stewart and her late husband, artist Campbell Hutchinson, founded KID smART, a Louisiana non-profit arts organization that brings the visual and performing arts as teaching tools to under-resourced children in the public schools of New Orleans. KID smART's focus is arts integration – linking the arts with the existing academic curriculum to make learning come alive. Today KID smART programs are found in eleven New Orleans elementary and middle schools in and have reached more than 33,000 students.

Stewart holds a BS in Biology from Spring Hill College, and an MFA from the University of New Orleans. She has served on the faculty of the New Orleans Academy of Fine Art, Loyola University, Delgado Community College, Aspen Museum of Art and Anderson Ranch Arts Center in Colorado. She maintains studios in New Orleans and Snowmass Village, CO.

"As a biologist and longtime resident of Louisiana, Stewart witnesses our fraught relationship with nature on micro and macrocosmic levels – as we awaken to the peril currently at the heart of our relationship with our biosphere. Poised as she is, Stewart is capable of such delicacy and finesse within the ominous frisson of her underlying message - the oddness of a hue or eccentricity of a formal relationship hints at something much larger and less stable or reassuring than her surfaces may lead us to feel. Stewart's art isn't the calm before the storm - it is the eye,"

—Peter Frank

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EDUCATION

M.F.A., University of New Orleans, New Orleans, LA
B.S. Biology, Spring Hill College, Mobile, AL

GRANTS, AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS

2009 Artist Honoree, New Orleans Museum of Art, New Orleans, LA
2005 Artist in Residence, Anderson Ranch Art Center, Snowmass Village, CO
2002 Artist in Residence, Roaring Fork Club, Basalt, CO
2000 Artist selected for *Silver Circle Sculpture*, Contemporary Arts Center, New Orleans, LA
1998 Louisiana Division of the Arts Decentralized Arts Funding Grant
1997 Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities Grant
Louisiana Division of the Arts Project Assistance Grant
Louisiana Division of the Arts Individual Artist Grant
1995 Mary Freeman Wisdom Foundation Grant
1991 Sheraton New Orleans Public Art Project Award and Commission, New Orleans, LA
1988-89 Visual Arts Fellowship, Louisiana Division of the Arts
1988 Artist selected for *Century Club Print*, Contemporary Arts Center, New Orleans, LA
1983 Hotel Intercontinental Lobby Commission, New Orleans, LA

SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2025 *Field Notes for a Future Perfect*, Arthur Roger Gallery, New Orleans, LA
2019 *Elements of Change*, Ohr O'Keefe Museum of Art, Biloxi, MS
2018 *Changing States*, Forre Fine Art, Aspen CO
2017 Mill Gallery, Santa Fe, NM
Skyfaring, Michael Warren Gallery, Denver, CO
2016 *Field Notes Along the Way*, Desert Art Collection, Palm Desert, CA
2015 *Allison Stewart, New York*, Gail Severn Gallery, Ketchum, ID
Belle Terre, Quintenz Gallery, Aspen, CO
Botanica, Forre Fine Arts, Fort Lauderdale, FL
Field Notes, Wyly Annex, Basalt, CO
Natural Wonders II, Michael Warren Contemporary, Denver, CO
2014 *Man and Nature*, Desert Art Collection & Sculpture Garden, Palm Desert, CA
River and Bloom, Mark Gallery, Englewood, NJ
Southern Wonders, Kathryn Markel, New York, NY
2013 *A Fragile Nature*, Desert Art Collection & Sculpture Garden, Palm Desert, CA
Natural Wonders, Arthur Roger Gallery, New Orleans, LA
Natural Wonders, Christine Frechard Gallery, Pittsburgh, PA
Natural Wonders, Gail Severn Gallery, Ketchum, ID
2012 *River and Bloom*, Southeastern Louisiana University, Hammond, LA
Highlands and Lowlands, with Campbell Hutchinson, Newman School, New Orleans, LA
River and Bloom, Renee George Gallery, Charlotte, NC
Awakening, Mark Gallery, Newark, New Jersey
2010 *Field and Flow*, Gail Severn Gallery, Ketchum, ID
Kathryn Markel Fine Arts, New York, NY
David Floria Gallery, Aspen, CO
2009 *Inside Passage*, Arthur Roger Gallery, New Orleans, LA
Cumberland Gallery, Nashville, TN

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- 2008 *Flow*, Perry Nicole Fine Art, Memphis, TN
Inside, Kathryn Markel Gallery, New York
David Floria Gallery, Aspen, CO
Gail Severn Gallery, Ketchum, ID
- 2007 William and Joseph Gallery, Santa Fe, NM
Jules Place, Boston, MA
Renee George Gallery, Charlotte, NC
- 2006 *Closer*, Arthur Roger Gallery, New Orleans, LA
Closer, Sardella Fine Art, Aspen, CO
Gail Severn Gallery, Ketchum, ID
Gallery Camino Real, Boca Raton, FL
Buchanan Gallery, Galveston, TX
- 2005 Gail Severn Gallery, Ketchum, ID
Kathryn Markel Gallery, New York, NY
- 2004 Arthur Roger Gallery, New Orleans, LA
Pensacola Museum of Art, Pensacola, FL
Duval Smart Gallery, Aspen, CO
- 2003 Jules Place, Boston, MA
Kathy Albers Gallery, Memphis, TN
Gail Severn Gallery, Sun Valley, ID
- 2002 Alexandria Museum of Art, Alexandria, LA
Sandler Hudson Gallery, Atlanta, GA
Jules Place, Boston, MA
Susan Duval Gallery, Aspen, CO
- 2001 Arthur Roger Gallery, New Orleans, LA
Castle Creek Gallery, Aspen, CO
Jules Place, Boston, MA
Sandy Carson Gallery, Denver CO
- 2000 River Oaks Square Arts Center, Alexandria, LA
Kathy Albers Gallery, Memphis, TN
- 1999 Arthur Roger Gallery
Masur Museum of Art, Monroe, LA
Spring Hill College, Mobile, AL
Baton Rouge Gallery, Baton Rouge, LA
Sandler Hudson Gallery, Atlanta, GA
- 1998 Louisiana State University, Alexandria, LA
- 1997 William Carey College, Gulfport, MS
- 1996 Mario Villa Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 1996 Arthur Roger Gallery, New Orleans, LA
Albertson Peterson Gallery, Winter Park, FL
- 1995 Southeastern Louisiana University, Hammond, LA
- 1994 Barbara Gillman Gallery, Miami, FL
Broadway Art Gallery, Asheville, NC
Arthur Roger Gallery, New Orleans, LA
Mario Villa Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 1993 Arthur Roger Gallery, New Orleans, LA
- 1992 Mario Villa Gallery, Chicago, IL
Broadway Art Gallery, Asheville, NC
- 1991 Pensacola Junior College, Pensacola, FL
Mario Villa Gallery, Chicago, IL

- 1990 Arthur Roger Gallery, New Orleans, LA
- 1988 Arthur Roger Gallery, New Orleans, LA
- 1986 Arthur Roger Gallery, New Orleans, LA
Barbara Gillman Gallery, Miami, FL
- 1985 Gallery 291, Atlanta, GA
- 1984 Arthur Roger Gallery, New Orleans, LA
- 1982 Arthur Roger Gallery, New Orleans, LA

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2023 *45th*, Arthur Roger Gallery, New Orleans, LA
- 2020 *Art in the Time of Empathy*, Arthur Roger Gallery, New Orleans, LA
Western Moods, Korologos Gallery, Basalt, CO
In Bloom: A Group Show, Gail Severn Gallery, Ketchum, ID
- 2018 *Group Exhibit*, Seager Gray Gallery, Mill Valley, CA
Art of Our Century, Woodbury Art Museum, Orem, UT
- 2017 *Living with Climate Change*, Creative Alliance at Crevasse 22 River House, Poydras, LA
Sun Art, Friedman Memorial Airport, Sun Valley, ID
Markings, Seager Gray Gallery, San Francisco, CA
San Francisco Art Fair, Gail Severn Gallery, San Francisco, CA
- 2015 *Form and Color*, Gail Severn Gallery, Ketchum, ID
Haiku – Poetry in Art, Republic Plaza, Denver, CO
Take Me to the River, Octavia Fine Art, New Orleans, LA
- 2014 *Aqua Flora*, Lauren Rogers Museum of Art, Laurel, MS
Aqua Flora, University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg, MS
- 2012 *Uniquely Louisiana*, LSU Shaw Center for the Arts, Baton Rouge, LA
NOLA NOW: Abstraction, Contemporary Arts Center, New Orleans, LA
Today's Visual Language: Southern Abstraction, A Fresh Look, Mobile Museum of Art, Mobile, AL
Awakening, Mark Gallery, Englewood, NJ
- 2011 *Artists of Southern Louisiana Respond to the Gulf Oil Crisis*, Space 301, Mobile, AL
Eloquent Flower, Gail Severn Gallery, Ketchum, ID
- 2010 *Translucent Visions*, Jules Place, Boston, MA
- 2010 *Exposures*, Karen Ruhlman Gallery, Santa Fe, NM
- 2010 *Abstract Nature*, Invitational, Swan Coach Gallery, Atlanta, GA
- 2010 *Think Big*, Invitational, Aspen Chapel Gallery, Aspen, CO
- 2009 Invitational Exhibit, Patina Gallery, Fairhope, AL
Jules Place, Boston, MA
HxWxD, UNO Alumni Show, St. Claude Gallery, New Orleans, LA
- 2008 *Solstice*, David Floria Gallery, Aspen, CO
Monothon Invitational, Anderson Ranch, Snowmass Village, CO
- 2007 *The Eloquent Flower*, Gail Severn Gallery, Ketchum, ID
- 2006 *In Search of Duende*, Anderson Ranch, Snowmass Village, CO
- 2005 *Anderson Ranch Residents Exhibit*, Snowmass Village, CO
Made in New Orleans: A Survey of Contemporary Art from the Crescent City, Space 301, Mobile, AL;
Contemporary Arts Center, New Orleans, LA; Art Space, Shreveport, LA; Bradbury Gallery,
Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, AR
New Orleans Triennial, New Orleans Museum of Art, New Orleans, LA
The Eloquent Flower, Gail Severn Gallery, Ketchum, ID
- 2004 *The Eloquent Flower*, Gail Severn Gallery, Ketchum, ID
- 2003 *The Eloquent Flower*, Gail Severn Gallery, Ketchum, ID
Cumberland Gallery, Nashville, TN

- 2001 Faculty Exhibition, Anderson Ranch, Snowmass Village, CO
Gaia in the Gallery, Susan Duval Gallery, Aspen, CO
- 2000 Gail Severin Gallery, Sun Valley, ID
River Oaks Square Arts Center, Alexandria, LA
Sandy Carson Gallery, Denver, CO
- 1999 *Ten by Ten*, Invitational, Addison Ripley Gallery, Washington, D.C.
Visual Artist Fellowship Exhibit, Traveling Exhibit, Baton Rouge, LA
Hunter Museum, Chattanooga, TN
- 1997 *Visions of Landscape*, Virginia Miller Gallery, Miami, FL
Artists from New Orleans, Okaloosa Community College, Okaloosa, FL
Memphis College of Art, Memphis, TN
Kathy Albers Gallery, Memphis, TN
- 1996 Montgomery Museum of Art, Montgomery AL
Louisiana Abstraction, Southeastern Louisiana University, Hammond, LA
Major Louisiana Sculptors, Southeastern Louisiana University, Hammond, LA
by Herself, Hanson Gallery, New Orleans, LA
- 1995 *Paper Works*, Slidell Art Center, Slidell, LA
State Street Gallery, Sarasota, FL
Masur Museum of Art, Monroe, LA
Art With a Southern Drawl, Mobile Museum of Art, Mobile, AL
- 1994 Kurts Bingham Gallery, Memphis, TN
Faculty Exhibit, New Orleans Academy of Fine Art, New Orleans, LA
- 1993 Savannah National, 1993, Savannah, GA
The Book as Art, Invitational, Barbara Gillman Gallery, Miami, FL
Faculty Exhibit, New Orleans Academy of Fine Art, New Orleans, LA
- 1992 *Mostly Big* Invitational Exhibition, Contemporary Arts Center, New Orleans, LA
- 1991 Faculty Exhibit, New Orleans Academy of Fine Art, New Orleans, LA
- 1990 New Year New Work, Island Gallery, Vero Beach, FL
- 1989 *New Orleans 1989 Invitational*, A View of Contemporary Women Artists," Historic New Orleans Collection, New Orleans, LA
- 1988 *A Tribute to Excellence*, Visual Arts Fellowship Invitational Exhibit, Masur Museum, Monroe, LA
Paper and Stone, Invitational Exhibit, Island Gallery, Vero Beach, FL
- 1987 *Southern Abstraction*, Contemporary Art Center, New Orleans, LA. Curated by Peter Frank.
- 1986 *Major Louisiana Artists*, Galerie Melancon, Lake Charles, LA

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE AND ACTIVITIES

- 2008 Curator, "Close Up," Kathryn Markel Gallery, New York, NY
- 2007 Juror, "Uncertain Territory: Losing Louisiana," Grand Isle Juried Exhibit, Delgado College, New Orleans
Guest Instructor, The Studios in Key West, Key West, FL
- 2004 Judge - New Orleans Museum of Art Student Art Competition
- 2003 Instructor, Anderson Ranch, Snowmass Village, CO
Instructor, Aspen Art Museum, Aspen, CO
- 2002 Instructor, Aspen Art Museum, Aspen, CO
Judge - New Orleans Museum of Art Student Art Competition
- 2001 Instructor, Anderson Ranch, Snowmass Village, CO
- 2000 Judge - New Orleans Museum of Art Student Art Competition
Grants Review Panel Member, Arts Council of New Orleans
- 1998 Co-Founder, KID smART, nonprofit organization, New Orleans, LA
Board Member, Contemporary Arts Center, New Orleans, LA
Artist Teacher, Vermont College of Art, Montpelier, VT

- Board Member, Entergy Arts Business Center, New Orleans, LA
- 2000 Grants Review Panel Member, Arts Council of New Orleans
- 1998 Juror, 1% for Art, Public Arts Program, New Orleans, LA
- 1997 Guest Panelist - "The Creative Process" Delgado College, New Orleans, LA
- 1994-Present Member Visual Arts Visiting Committee, Loyola University, New Orleans, LA
- 1992 Juror, 1% for Art, Public Arts Program, New Orleans, LA
- Guest Panelist, "Creativity and Rejection" Symposium, presented by the New Orleans Arts Council and New Orleans Association for Mental Health Professionals
- 1991 Vice President of Arts Policy Committee, Contemporary Arts Center
- Assistant Professor, Painting, Loyola University, New Orleans, LA
- 1989-93 Board Member, Contemporary Arts Center, New Orleans, LA
- 1988-Present Instructor, Drawing & Painting, Academy of Fine Arts, New Orleans, LA
- 1985 Instructor, Painting, Delgado Community College, New Orleans, LA
- 1982 Instructor, Painting, Delgado Community College, New Orleans, LA
- 1980-90 Instructor, Drawing, Metro College, University of New Orleans, New Orleans, LA

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SELECTED COLLECTIONS

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