

Lori Larusso

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Education

- 2005 **MFA Studio Art**
Mount Royal School of Art, Interdisciplinary Studies
Maryland Institute College of Art; Baltimore, MD
- 2003 **Certificate in Women's Studies**
University of Cincinnati; Cincinnati, OH
- 2002 **BFA Fine Art, Concentration in Two-Dimensional Media**
Painting, Drawing, Printmaking
University of Cincinnati, College of Design, Architecture, Art, and Planning

Teaching Experience

- 2008 **Adjunct Professor of Drawing**
Eastern Kentucky University; Richmond, KY
Responsible for syllabus and outline of coursework and evaluations for two drawing classes each Spring and Fall semesters.
- 2006 **Adjunct Professor of Art**
Emmanuel College; Boston, MA
Responsible for syllabus and outline of coursework and evaluations.
- 2005 **Teaching Intern: Phenomena of Color**
Professor John Penny, Maryland Institute College of Art, Foundations Department
Assisted in instruction, evaluation and critique including final portfolio reviews and individual meetings. Led one on one and group critiques with students regarding conceptual issues, as well as craft, technical and material problems.
- 04-05 **Writing Tutor**
Writing Studio, Maryland Institute College of Art
Worked with graduate and undergraduate fine arts and liberal arts majors in all aspects of the writing process, from the organization of ideas through final composition. Also assisted International students with their writing, speech and understanding of the formal and casual uses of the English language.
- 2004 **Teaching Intern: Elements of Visual Thinking**
Professor John Penny, Maryland Institute College of Art, Foundations Department
Assisted in instruction, evaluation and critique including final portfolio reviews and individual meetings. Led discussion of course material and reviews of work.
- 03-04 **Studio Writing Assistant**
Professor Margaret Morrison, Maryland Institute College of Art, Literature Department.
Responsible for scheduling and meeting individually with about twenty-five fibers and ceramics students over the course of one academic year. Responsibilities included overview and editorial work regarding thesis statements and applications to graduate school and residencies. In addition, critique and discussion of thesis work and ideas, and application materials for post graduate study opportunities.

Professional Experience

- 2009 **Visiting Artist**
Morehead State University, Department of Art
Position includes lectures and exhibition in the Claypool-Young Art Gallery
- 08-09 **Custom Framing Manager**
Gallery B; Lexington, KY
- 2009 **Visiting Artist In Residence**
Webb School, Knoxville, TN
Awarded six week program involving independent studio time with provided facilities, and repeated critique and interaction with lower, middle, and upper school art students.
- 06-07 **Office Manager**
Women's Medical Center of Rhode Island

- Duties included managing office staff, training new employees, counseling, and unconditionally advocating women and their reproductive choices.
- 2006 **Freelance Graphic Designer**
Logo development and design, identity, brochure, letterhead, signage.
- 2005 **Graphic Designer**
MaggieMoo's International, LLC, Columbia, MD
Responsible for research and development regarding various seasonal campaigns and the implementation and design of all materials. Common material development includes email, print, signage, Web site, menus, etc. All materials are designed in house. Other responsibilities include individual franchisee design development as well as pre-press execution, contact with printing sources, color adjustments and the approval of proofs.
- 02-03 **Internship, Women's Prison Project**
Prison Reform Advocacy Center, Cincinnati, OH
Researched the history and current state of the prison industrial complex for frequent discussion with the director of the project. Created a body of artwork based on the research and possibilities for change within the prison system and the larger dominating structure, and showed the work to the public at a non-profit space.

Technical Skills

Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator, ImageReady, InDesign
Microsoft Word, Powerpoint, Excel
Proficient in traditional and digital printing processes, and silk screen

Awards

- 2008 **Artist Enrichment Grant**
The Kentucky Foundation for Women
- 2008 **Honorable Mention**
2nd Bi-Annual National Juried Exhibition of Small Works of Art; Todd Gallery, MTSU
Juried by Dave Hickey
- 2007 **Second Place, Art Fever Juried Competition**
Lexington Art League
- 2007 **Artist In Residence, Bemis Center for Contemporary Arts**
Omaha, NE
- 2006 **Caldera Artists Residency**
Caldera, Oregon
- 2005 **Painting Award, Honorable Mention**
Maryland Institute College of Art; Baltimore, MD
- 03-05 **Mount Royal Award Scholarship**
Maryland Institute College of Art; Baltimore, MD
Merit based scholarship awarded annually
- 2003 **Women's Studies Undergraduate Award**
Women's Studies Department; University of Cincinnati
Prize given annually to one outstanding undergraduate in the Certificate program
- 2002 **Friends of Women's Studies Mini-Grant**
Women's Studies Department, University of Cincinnati
Project-based grant awarded annually

Solo Exhibitions

- 2009 **All There Is**
Lucretia C. Begley Gallery; Columbia, KY
- 2009 **Domestic Issues: New Work**
The Webb School Gallery; Knoxville, TN
- 2008 **Lori Larusso: Paintings**
Dayton Visual Arts Center; Dayton, OH
- 2008 **Leisurely Concern**
a Jordan Faye Contemporary Exhibition at Casewerks; Baltimore, MD
- 2008 **Leisure & Concern**
1305 Gallery; Cincinnati, OH
- 2008 **Help Yourself**

- Community Art Center; Danville, KY
- 2007 **Artworks on display at Sotheby's, courtesy of Rhys Gallery**
Boston, MA
- 2006 **Soap Fat**
Sarah Doyle Gallery, Brown University; Providence, RI
- 2006 **Sadcake**
1305 Gallery; Cincinnati, OH
- 2005 **The Whole and The Small**
School 33 Art Center; Baltimore, MD
- 2002 **Shared Goods**
Publico; Cincinnati, OH
- Select Group Exhibitions
- 2010 **TBA**
Alice F. and Harris K. Westin Art Gallery; Cincinnati, OH
- 2009 **The Shape of Things: Works by Mollie Oblinger, Analia Segal, and Lori Larusso**
Claypool-Young Art Gallery at Morehead State University; Morehead, KY
- 2009 **Sweet Show**
Phyllis Stein Art; Los Angeles, CA
- 2009 **ArtHamptons: The International Art Fair**
Bridgehampton Historical Society Grounds
- 2009 **Fresh Paint: New Paintings by Elizabeth Brady and Lori Larusso**
Loads of Fun Studios; Baltimore, MD
- 2009 **Same New Thing: Bobby Campbell, Stephen Dorsett & Lori Larusso**
Tuska Center for Contemporary Art at the University of Kentucky; Lexington, KY
- 2009 **Freedom**
Chautauqua Lecture Series Juried Art Exhibition; Eastern Kentucky University
- 2008 **KY7 Biennial**
Lexington Art League; Lexington, KY
- 2008 **10th Annual Art Auction**
Bemis Center for Contemporary Arts; Omaha, NE
- 2008 **Bluegrass Biennial: A Kentucky Juried Exhibition**
Claypool-Young Art Gallery, Morehead State University; Morehead, KY
- 2008 **Real Party '08**
Real Art Ways; Hartford, CT
- 2008 **Drawing from the Source**
Jordan Faye Contemporary; Baltimore, MD
- 2008 **Considerable**
(travelling exhibition)
Studio O, Artstreet; University of Dayton
Green Line Art Project; Philadelphia, PA
- 2008 **Space, Place, Life**
Chautauqua Lecture Series Juried Art Exhibition; Eastern Kentucky University
- 2008 **2nd Bi-Annual National Juried Exhibition of Small Works of Art**
Todd Gallery, Middle Tennessee State University; Murfreesboro, TN
Juried by Dave Hickey
Catalogue
- 2007 **Small Wonders**
Jordan Faye Contemporary; Baltimore, MD
- 2007 **9th Annual Art Auction**
Bemis Center for Contemporary Arts; Omaha, NE
- 2007 **Art Fever**
Lexington Art League; Lexington, KY
- 2007 **Lori Larusso and Dawn Black**
Harford Community College; Bel Air, MD
- 2007 **Believe It: 14 Painters**
Creative Alliance; Baltimore, MD

2006 **Just Desserts**
Brick Walk Fine Arts; West Hartford, CT

2006 **Residue From The Bling-Bling Circus**
Cubicle Ten; Washington DC

2006 **Cul-de-Sac: Art from a Suburban Nation**
Radford University Art Museum; Radford, VA
Catalogue

2005 **Providence Design Collective**
Downcity; Providence, RI

2005 **OPTIONS 2005**
Washington Project for the Arts/Corcoran; Washington DC
Curated by Libby Lumpkin
Catalogue

2005 **Hello Charm City**
Gallery Imperato; Baltimore, MD

2005 **Roy G. Biv**
Goucher College; Towson, MD

2005 **Arts' 2005 MFA Biennial**
Delaware Center for the Contemporary Arts; Wilmington, DE

2005 **Trojan Horse**
MFA Thesis Exhibition, Decker Gallery; Maryland Institute College of Art

2005 **Six by Six: Miniature Art**
Northern Kentucky University Art Galleries; Highland Heights, KY

2005 **Hot Tamales**
ArtLA; Los Angeles, CA
Curated by John Yau

2005 **Artcard**
Sharjah Art Museum; United Arab Emirates

2004 **Setting the Table**
Brick Walk Fine Art; West Hartford, CT

2004 **The Painting Show**
Publico; Cincinnati, OH

2004 **Cubicle 10**
Cubicle 10; Baltimore, MD

2004 **Trevino/Laruso/Lewis**
Kaufbar; Berlin, Germany

2004 **Femme Effect**
Sub Basement Art Studio; Baltimore, MD

2004 **draw_drawing**
London Biennial; London, England

2004 **Season Greetings**
Publico; Cincinnati, OH

2004 **Feast or Famine**
DNA; Provincetown, MA

2004 **Delectable**
Minas; Baltimore, MD

2004 **Student Union**
Chidlaw Gallery; Cincinnati, OH

2004 **Connections**
Semantics; Cincinnati, OH

2003 **WINTERemix**
Publico; Cincinnati, OH

2003 **Lots of People Working**
Semantics; Cincinnati, OH

2003 **OKI: New Art Exhibitions**
Northern Kentucky University Art Galleries; Highland Heights, KY

- 2003 **AM Holiday**
Southgate House; Covington, KY
- 2003 **Nowhere Better Than This Place**
S.S. Nova; Cincinnati, OH
Curated by Sue Spaid, Curator at Cincinnati's Contemporary Art Center
- 2003 **Unnatural Habitat**
University Hall Galleries; Cincinnati, OH
- 2002 **Small Change**
S.S. Nova; Cincinnati, OH
- 2002 **Four**
Semantics; Cincinnati, OH
- 2002 **Women's Work**
Artery; Newport, KY
- 2002 **Midden/Middle/Midair**
840 Gallery; Cincinnati, OH

Lectures

- 2009 **PaintPresent Art Talk**
Lexington Art League; Lexington, KY
April 9, 2009
- 2008 **KY7 Biennial Art Talk**
Lexington Art League; Lexington, KY
- 2008 **Gallery Talk: Lori Larusso & Kathleen Thum**
Dayton Visual Arts Center; Dayton, OH
- 2007 **Consumption & Domesticity**
Harford Community College; Bel Air, MD
September 10, 2007
- 2007 **Putting the Wow Into Now**
Bemis Center For Contemporary Arts; Omaha, NE
July 5, 2007
- 2004 **Presentation**
Mount Royal Graduate Student Seminar, Maryland Institute College of Art
Presented Donna Haraway's A Cyborg Manifesto: Science, Technology, and Socialist-Feminism in the Late Twentieth Century to a class of graduate students. Reviewed the main ideas addressed in the text and proposed questions for discussion.

Selected Bibliography

- 2008 **Surface Tensions: Home Is Where The Unease Is In The Paintings of Lori Larusso**
CityPaper:Baltimore, MD
- 2008 **Consumerism, domesticity, injustice and food permeate Lexington artist's paintings**
The Advocate-Messenger; Danville, KY February 24, 2008
- 2006 **Critters and Cakes are Stuffed with Meaning**
The Cincinnati Enquirer; March 3, 2006
- 2005 **DIY: Design it Yourself**
Princeton Architectural Press
- 2005 **At 'Options 2005,' Choose Wisely**
The Washington Post; (Washington DC) October 14, 2005
- 2005 **Lori Larusso: The Whole and The Small**
Citypaper (Baltimore) May 4, 2005
- 2005 **Best of Cincinnati**
CityBeat; January 11, 2005
- 2004 **Baltimore Magazine**
Catch It; June 2004
- 2004 **Best Bets**
The Baltimore Sun; Thursday, May 6, 2004
- 2003 **OKI at NKU - AOK**
Artwhirled; September 14, 2003

2003 **Brotherly Love**
CityBeat; April 2, 2003

Gallery Representation

Jordan Faye Contemporary; Baltimore, Maryland
Brick Walk Fine Art; West Hartford, Connecticut
1305 Gallery; Cincinnati, Ohio
Phyllis Stein Art; Los Angeles, CA