

ARTHUR SIMMS

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Born: December 15, 1961
District of Cross Roads
Saint Andrew, Jamaica

Education: Brooklyn College, Brooklyn, NY
M.F.A. 1993, B. A. 1987
Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture, Skowhegan, ME 1985

Awards: Campo Garzon Artist in Residence, 2018
S. J. Weiler Fund Award, 2014
Holter Museum, Artist in Residence, 2014
Joan Mitchell Center in New Orleans, Artist in Residence, 2013
Irish Museum of Modern Art Residency, Dublin, Ireland, 2008
The Louis Comfort Tiffany Foundation Award, 2007
New York City Arts in the Parks Commission, 2007
American Academy of Arts and Letters, Academy Award in Art, 2006
Creative Capital Foundation Follow-up Support, 2004-05
New York Foundation For The Arts Fellowship In Sculpture, 2003
Harold M. English/Metropolitan Museum of Art-Jacob H. Lazarus Rome Prize
Fellowship in Visual Arts, American Academy In Rome, 2002-2003
Creative Capital Foundation Follow-up Support, 2002
Salute to Scholars, The City University Of New York, 2002
Creative Capital Foundation Grant, 2001
John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation Fellowship, 1999-2000
The Rockefeller Foundation Residency Fellowship Bellagio, Italy, 2000
The Joan Mitchell Foundation Grant, 1997
Franconia Sculpture Park Individual Artist Grant, 1997
The Wheeler Foundation Fellowship, 1995
Marie Walsh Sharpe Art Foundation Space Grant, 1994-95
Queens Council on the Arts Grant, 1994
Pollock-Krasner Foundation Grant, 1993
Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture, Scholarship Grant, 1985
Ellen Battell Stoekel Fellowship, Yale Summer School of Music and Art, 1985(declined)
Shaw Memorial Award for Painting, Brooklyn College, 1985, 1984

Solo &
Two Person
Exhibitions:

Different Roads: Same Destination, Assemblage Sculptures of Randy Wray and Arthur Simms, **Dorsky Gallery**, May 8th – July 10th 2016
Lucy Fradkin and Arthur Simms: Intimate Worlds, **Holter Museum of Art**, Helena, Montana, January 17th – May 18th, 2014
Dreamcatchers: Sculptures by Hyong Nam Ahn and Arthur Simms, **Amelie A. Wallace Gallery at SUNY College at Old Westbury**, Old Westbury, NY September 8–October 19, 2011
Arthur Simms, Two Thousand and Ten, **Peg Alston Fine Arts**, October-November, 2010
Arthur Simms, **Clark Gallery**, Lincoln, MA, November 3 - 28, 2009
Process Room, **Irish Museum of Modern Art**, Dublin, Ireland, July, 2008
Art in the Parks, Celebrating 40 Years 1967-2007, **Prospect Park**, Brooklyn, NY, October- March, 2007-2008

Arthur Simms Sculpture and Drawings, **Lesley Heller Gallery**, New York, NY, February-March, 2007
Arthur Simms, Sculptures and Drawings, **Westchester Community College Art Gallery**, SUNY, Valhalla, NY, March-April, 2006
Arthur Simms, Sculptures and Drawings 1989-2005, **Five Myles**, Brooklyn, NY, May-June, 2005
Roman Holiday: New Work From A Year Spent In Rome, Lucy Fradkin and Arthur Simms, **Kenise Barnes Fine Arts**, Larchmont, New York, January-February, 2004
Lucy Fradkin e Arthur Simms, Lavori Italiani, **Italia Inghilterra**, Cagliari, Italy, May, 2003
Arthur Simms and Jonathan Hynd, **Temple University Gallery in Rome**, Rome, Italy, February-March, 2003
Drawings, Arthur Simms, **Peg Alston Fine Arts**, New York, NY, May-June, 2001
Arthur Simms And Garry Nichols, **Sideshow Gallery**, Williamsburg, NY October-November 2000
Arthur Simms, Assemblage Of The Spirit, **York College Art Gallery**, Jamaica, NY, February-March, 2000
Sculptures, **Philippe Briet Gallery**, New York, NY, February-March, 1992

Biennials: **Biennale di Arte Contemporanea di Porto Ercole**, Forte Stella, Porto Ercole, Italy, August, 2003
International Exposition Of Art, **49th Venice Biennial, Jamaica Pavilion**, Venice, Italy, June-November, 2001

Group

Exhibitions: It's Happening! Celebrating 50 Years of Public Art in NYC Parks, **East Pinetum, Central Park**, NYC, October, 2017
Excavations, **Field Projects Gallery**, NYC, March 17th-April 30th, 2016
ARS Continuum: Amelie A. Wallace Gallery 1978 to the Present, **Amelie A. Wallace Gallery**, SUNY College at Old Westbury, September 16th-October 15th, 2015
Rock Hound Swap Meet, **Junior Projects**, NYC, July 9th-August 13th, 2015
Working in NYC 27 Artists, 705 Driggs Avenue, **Central Connecticut State University Art Gallery**, New Britain, CT, January 22- February 19th 2015
The Rule of the Law and the Right to be Human, **Athens School Of Art Gallery**, Athens, Greece, April 30th - June 13th, 2014
Recontextualizing the Found, **The Anya and Andrew Shiva Gallery, John Jay College of Criminal Justice**, January 27, 2014th – March 25th, 2014
Come Together: Surviving Sandy, Year 1, **Industry City**, Brooklyn, NY, October 20th – December 15th, 2013
Invitational Exhibition of Visual Arts, **American Academy of Arts and Letters**, New York City, March 5 – April 14th, 2013
Lois Dodd: My Students, **The Firehouse Center**, 5 Bristol Road, Damariscotta, Maine, August – September, 2012
Nozomi Rose with 8 Artists from New York, **Swan Hill Museum of Contemporary Art**, Hyogo, Japan, June 25-October 31, 2012
Global Caribbean, Focus sur la Création Contemporaine Caribéenne, **Fondation Clément**, Habitation Le François - Martinique, du 11 Mai au 15 Juillet 2012
Toy Story, **Rockland Center For The Arts**, West Nyack, NY October 16-December 4, 2011
Toward a Philosophy of the Everyday, **Castle Gallery, College of New Rochelle**, New Rochelle, NY September 6, 2011-November 6, 2011
Drawing From the Collection, **LC Bates Museum**, Hinckley, ME, June- October 2011

Rock / Paper / Scissors, **Clark Gallery**, Lincoln, MA, March-April 2011
The Global Caribbean, Focus on the Caribbean Contemporary Landscape, **Museo de Arte Contemporaneo**, San Juan, Puerto Rico, February-May 2011
Global Caraïbes MIAM, Sète, **Musée International des Arts Modestes**, Sète, France, June – October 2010
Global Caribbean, **The Haitian Cultural Arts Alliance Art Center**, Miami, FL, December 2009-February 2010
Party At Chris's House **Janet Kurnatowski Gallery** Brooklyn, NY, November - December, 2009
Playing Around, **Brattleboro Museum & Art Center**, Brattleboro, VT, April-July, 2009
Person in the Crowd: The Contemporary Art of Flanerie, **Neuberger Museum of Art**, Purchase, NY, January-April, 2008
Infinite Island: Contemporary Caribbean Art, **Brooklyn Museum**, Brooklyn, NY, August-January, 2007-2008
Newly Elected Members and Recipients of Honors and Awards, **American Academy of Arts and Letters**, New York City, May-June, 2006
Invitational Exhibition of Painting and Sculpture, **American Academy of Arts and Letters**, New York City, March-April, 2006
Alumni Exhibition: Celebrating the Seventy-Fifth Anniversary of Brooklyn College, **Brooklyn College Art Gallery at the Brooklyn War Memorial**, November-December, 2005
Flavor Intensive: 5 Sculptors, **Triangle Arts Association**, Brooklyn, New York, October, 2005
Fuoriluogo 8 – Afritalia, **Galleria Limiti Inchiusi**, Campobasso, Italy, August-September, 2003
Site/Insight: An Assemblage of Artists (curated by Agnes Gund), **P.S.1 MOMA**, Long Island City, New York, June-September, 2003
Open Studio Exhibition, **American Academy in Rome**, Rome, Italy, June, 2003
Queens International, **Queens Museum of Art**, Queens, NY August-December, 2002
On The Tracks: Works By NYC Sculptors, **Aurora Gallery**, New York, NY June-July, 2002
Jamaican Art, In The Fullness Of Time, **Clark University Gallery Of Art**, Atlanta, GA, June-July, 2002
Body Language, **Islip Art Museum**, East Islip, NY April-June, 2002
Artist to Artist, A Decade of the Space Program, Marie Walsh Sharpe Art Foundation **Ace Gallery**, New York, NY, May-June, 2002
Jamaican Art, In The Fullness Of Time, **Sidney Mishkin Gallery**, Baruch College, CUNY, New York, NY January-March, 2002
Group Show, **Skoto Gallery**, New York, NY, January-February, 2002
Merry, **Sideshow Gallery**, Williamsburg, Brooklyn, December-January, 2001-02
Jamaican Art, In The Fullness Of Time, **Howard University Gallery**, Washington, DC November-December 2001
Jamaican Art, In The Fullness Of Time, **Handwerker Gallery**, Ithaca College, Ithaca, NY August-October, 2001
Drawing on Language, **Spaces**, Cleveland, OH May-June 2001
Jamaican Art; In The Fullness Of Time, **The Karl Drerup Gallery**, Plymouth State College, Plymouth, NH February-April, 2001
OPEN 2000, **3rd International Exhibition Of Sculptures And Installations**, Venice, Italy September-October 2000
Recess, **Kenise Barnes Fine Art**, Larchmont, NY May 2000
Group Show, **Rush Arts**, New York, NY, September 1999
Local Color, **Henry Street Settlement**, New York, NY, October-November, 1998
Pay Per It, **Sideshow Gallery**, Williamsburg, NY, September-October, 1998

Making It, **The Work Space**, New York, NY, December-February, 1997-98
Franconia Sculpture Park, Shafer, Minnesota, September, 1997-98
 New York Drawers, **Gasworks**, London, England, August 1997
 New York Drawers, **Corner House**, Manchester, England, August 1997
 Current Undercurrent: Working in Brooklyn, **Brooklyn Museum of Art**,
 Brooklyn, NY, July - January, 1997-98
 First Annual, **Two Sculptors, Inc.**, New York, NY, June, 1997
 Gramercy Art Fair, **Pierogi 2000**, New York, NY, May, 1997
 The January Show, **Silverstein Gallery**, New York, NY, January, 1996
 New York Soho Biennial, **473 Broadway**, New York, NY, September, 1995
 Freaks, **The Unnatural History Museum**, New York, NY, July, 1995
 Open Studios, **The Marie Walsh Sharpe Art Foundation**, New York, NY,
 March, 1995
 The Box Show, **K & E Gallery**, New York, NY, December, 1994
 Raw Materials, **The Police Building**, New York, NY, September-October, 1994
 Other Visions: Composite, **Neuberger Museum of Art**, State University of
 New York at Purchase, July-September, 1994
Socrates Sculpture Park, Long Island City, NY, 1994-95
 Le Temps D'un Dessin, **Galerie de L'Ecole des Beaux-Arts**, Lorient, France,
 May, 1994
Westbeth Gallery, New York, NY, January, 1993
 Expodiscus Part 3, **Metropolis Club**, New York, NY, September, 1992
 Workspace '92, **Jamaica Arts Center**, Jamaica, NY, May-July, 1992
Philippe Briet Gallery, New York NY, June, 1992
 Domenikos Theotokopoulos: A Dialogue, **Philippe Briet Gallery**, New York,
 NY, December-January, 1991-92
 Artworks/Artworkers, **A/C Project Room**, New York, NY, December-January
 1991-92
 OIA Salon '91 **OIA Gallery**, New York, NY, November, 1991
 Artwork/Artworkers, **Brand X Gallery**, New York, NY, December-January,
 1989-90

Selected

- Publications: "Come Together Surviving Sandy, Year 1, SKIRA, DEDALUS FOUNDATION, 2014
 "Cultural Crossroads Artists Invite Kids to Create Art From Anything" Marga Lincoln,
Independent Record, April 19th, 2014
 "LaGCC Celebrates Black History Month Through Art" Trisha Sakhuja, Queens
 Tribune, February 20, 2014
 "Art, a Balm After the Storm" Roberta Smith, The New York Times, Saturday,
 December 7th, 2013
 "3X, 40" small axe, a Caribbean journal of criticism, Summer 2013
 "Arthur Simms," Community College Week, April 1, 2013
 "He Puts His Art Into It," Clem Richarson, New York Daily News, March 22, 2013
 "LAGCC Art Professor's Work in Prestigious Exhibition," Western Queens Gazette,
 March 20, 2013
 "Old Westbury, New York, Arthur Simms and Hyong Nam Ahn" Jonathan Goodman,
Sculpture, July/August, 2012

“Contemporary Art: World Currents” Terry Smith, Prentice Hall, 2011

“Garvey or Garveyism,” Transition Magazine 105 Indiana University Press, 2011

“Toward a Philosophy of the Everyday,” Susan Canning, Castle Gallery The College of New Rochelle, 2011

“Dreamcatchers: Sculptures by Hyong Nam Ahn and Arthur Simms,” Hyewon Yi, Amelie A. Wallace Gallery, SUNY College at Old Westbury, 2011

“Arthur Simms, Clark Gallery,” Marty Carlock, Sculpture, September 2010

“Transnational Yearnings Tourism, Migration, and the Diasporic City,” Jenny Burman, Book Art - Cover, UBC Press, 2010

“Sète dévoile la création de jeunes artistes des Caraïbes,” Philippe Dagen, Le Monde, August 20, 2010

“New Caribbean Art Showcased During Art Basel Fair,” Jennifer Kay, Associated Press, December 6, 2009

“Global Caribbean,” Little Haiti Cultural Center, Miami, FL., Musée International des Arts Modestes, Sète, France, 2009

“In Conversation, Arthur Simms With Phong Bui,” The Brooklyn Rail Newspaper, July-August, 2009

“The Listings”, The New York Times, Friday, September 14, 2007

“Caribbean Visions of Tropical Paradise and Protest” Holland Cotter, The New York Times, August 31, 2007

“Infinite Island Contemporary Caribbean Art” Brooklyn Museum in Association With Philip Wilson Publishers, 2007

“Arthur Simms: Sculpture and Drawings” D. Dominick Lombardi, NY ARTS, July/August 2006, Vol. 11, No. 7/8

“Arthur Simms at Five Myles” Sarah Lewis, Art in America, February, 2006

“Flavor Intensive: Five Sculptors” John Goodrich, The New York Sun, October, 2005

“Arthur Simms Five Myles” Roger Kamholz, The Brooklyn Rail, July-August, 2005

“Arthur Simms Sculptures And Drawings 1989-2005” Ken Johnson, The New York Times, June 24, 2005

“Arthur Simms:Part to Whole” Robert Storr, 2005

“Images That Capture Romance of Europe”, D. Dominick Lombardi, The New York Times, February 15, 2004

“Society Of Fellows News,” American Academy In Rome, Fall 2003

“Fuoriluogo 8 Afritalia,” Edizioni Limiti Inchiusi, 2003

“Biennale Di Arte Contemporanea Di Porto Ercole 2003,” BIP-ART.NET EDIZIONI

“Site and Insight: An Assemblage of Artists,” Eugene Tsai, TimeOut New York, July 31-August 7, 2003

“Gathering a Flock of Quirky Grown-Ups,” Ken Johnson, The New York Times, Friday, July 18, 2003

“index 2003, Fellows And Residents At THE AMERICAN ACADEMY IN ROME,” CHARTA, 2003

“Italian Works-Lucy Fradkin e Arthur Simms,” Sandro Giordano, Exibart, Tuesday, May 20, 2003

Africa e Mediterraneo, Cultura Societa, April, 2003

“Queens International, Arthur Simms,” Safiyah Green, Queens Museum of Art, August 11- December 1, 2002

“Artist to Artist, A decade of The Space Program, The Marie Walsh Sharpe Art Foundation, 2002

"Artist to Artist, A decade of the space program," Roberta Smith, The New York Times, Friday, May 24, 2002

"Works Use the Human Body as Springboard," Helen A. Harrison, The New York Times, Sunday, May 12, 2002

"Jamaican sculptor wins Rome Prize for art," The Weekly Gleaner April 25-May 1, 2002

"In The Fullness Of Time: Jamaican Culture And The Well-Founded Memory," Holland Cotter, The New York Times, Friday, March 1, 2002

"La Biennale di Venezia," 49. Esposizione Internazionale D'Arte, June-November, 2001

"Jamaica In Venice," Jamaica Pavilion, June- November, 2001

"Drawing on Language," Spaces, May 4-June 15, 2001

"Venice Biennial Goes Public," Art In America, May, 2001

"Assemblage Exhibition Reflects Artist's Culture," Pandora's Box, February-March 2000

"Socrates Sculpture Park 12 June 94-30 April 95," Socrates Sculpture Park, 1995

"Raw Materials", Organization of Independent Artists, September, 1994

"Contemporary Visions At The Neuberger", Artsnews, Vol.5 No.7, September, 1994

"Piecing Together A Multicultural Heritage", The New York Times, Sunday, August 7, 1994

"Other Visions: Composite", Neuberger Museum of Art, July, 1994

"Making It", Review, February 1, 1998

Interview, Public Access TV, Skowhegan, ME, August, 2010

"In the Morning," Live Radio Interview, WLIU, Southampton, NY, July 21, 2009

"American Academy in Rome 2002-2003" (Video) Dantia McDonald, 2004

Video: "Jun Sakamoto Meets NY Artists," Saga TV, November, 1996

Video: "Assemblage" Breglia & Boysson, The Neuberger Museum of Art, 1994

Professional
Experience:

Associate Professor, Arts Program Director, Humanities Department, **LaGuardia Community College**, CUNY, Long Island City, NY, 2007-Present

Workshop Instructor, Lecture **Anderson Ranch**, Aspen, CO, July, 2018

MacDowell Colony Board of Directors member, 2016 - present

Visiting Artist, **Sarah Lawrence College**, Bronxville, NY, April 4th 2017

Workshop Instructor, Lecture **Anderson Ranch**, Aspen, CO, July, 2014

Visiting Artist, **Holter Museum**, Helena Montana, April 11th – April 25th, 2014

Visiting Artist, **Yale University**, New Haven CT, October, 2011

Workshop Instructor, Lecture **Anderson Ranch**, Aspen, CO, July, 2011

Resident Faculty, **Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture**, Skowhegan, Maine, Summer, 2010

Juror, Individual Artist Fellowship Grant, **Maine Arts Commission**, Skowhegan, Maine, August, 2010

Lecture, **Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture**, June 23, 2010

Guest Lecturer, **East End Arts Council**, Riverhead, NY, July, 2009

Panel Discussion, "Through our eyes, Wuppertal/New York," **Bonnie J. Sacerdote Lecture Hall, Metropolitan Museum of Art**, February, 2008

Adjunct Professor of Art, **Brooklyn College**, CUNY, Brooklyn, NY, 2001- 2007

Instructor, **Bard High School Early College**, New York, NY, 2006-07

Adjunct Professor of Art, **The Cooper Union School of Art**, New York, NY,
2004 - 2006

Workshop Instructor, Lecture **Anderson Ranch**, Aspen, CO, 2006

Guest Lecturer, **Eugene Lang New School**, New York, NY, 2005

Guest Lecturer, **Hunter College MFA Program, CUNY**, New York, NY, 2004

Special Programs, **Studio In A School**, New York, NY, 2003-04

Guest Lecturer, **Rhode Island School of Design Rome Program**, Rome, Italy, 2003

Guest Lecturer, **Temple University Rome Program**, Rome, Italy, 2002

Long Term Program, **PS 191, Studio In A School**, Brooklyn, NY, 2001-02

Artist/Educator, **Young Audiences/NY**, New York, NY, 1994, 1997, 2002

Artist-in-Residence, **Socrates Sculpture Park**, Long Island City, NY, 1994