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One Person Exhibitions

Gallery NAGA Boston MA “Spill without Splatter”	2021
Transit Gallery Harvard Medical School Boston MA “Last Touch 2”	2018
Gallery NAGA Boston MA “Last Touch”	2018
Mayor’s Art Gallery Boston MA “Paintings by Sophia Ainslie”	2017
Gallery NAGA Boston MA “Pata Pata”	2015
Remis Sculpture Court, Aidekman Art Center, Tufts University Medford MA “In Person—574”	2015
Carol Schlosberg Gallery, Montserrat College of Art Beverly MA “Interstitial”	2013
Kingston Gallery Boston MA “In Person”	2013
Grillo Gallery Endicott College Beverly MA “Inside Out-2”	2012
Kingston Members Gallery Boston MA “Sophia Ainslie”	2012
Kingston Gallery Boston MA “Inside Out”	2011
St. Botolph Club Boston MA “Fragments”	2010
Kingston Gallery Boston MA “Land Marks”	2009
St. Botolph Club Boston MA “Snuggle, Tide & All”	2008
Kingston Gallery Boston MA “Crawlers 6”	2007
Hallspace Boston MA “Crawlers”	2006
Elizabeth A. Beland Gallery, Essex Art Center Lawrence MA “Deep Clean”	2005
Kingston Center Gallery Boston MA “Simple-Green-Oxi-Clean”	2004
Hallspace Boston MA “Oxi-Purex-Xtra-Clorox”	2004

Selected Group Exhibitions

Wilson Museum Manchester VT “Exhale: A Multisensory Art Experience”	2022
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Newport Art Museum Newport RI	2021
“Call and Response”	
Online exhibition	2020
“Drawing on Love and Justice” curated by Evelyn Rydz	
Gallery NAGA Boston MA	2020
“Virtual Summer Camp: New Work by NAGA Artists”	
Hallspace Boston MA	2018
“Drawing Project: Paper Chassis”	
Gallery NAGA Boston MA	2017
“40 th Anniversary: Artists A - K”	
Museum of Art, University of New Hampshire, Paul Creative Arts Center	2016
“Groundswell”	
Hallspace Boston MA	2016
“Drawing Project: 12 x 12”	
Marian Graves Mugar Art Gallery, Colby-Sawyer College New London NH	2015
“Working Women: 36 Contemporary Women Artists”	
New England Biolabs Ipswich MA	2014
“Art Focus”	
Gallery NAGA Boston MA	2014
“On the Wall”	
Lincoln Arts Projects Waltham MA	2014
“A Woman’s Arms”	
Gallery 360, Northeastern University Boston MA	2013
“Faculty Focus- Ainslie, Andrews and Cantor”	
Brant Gallery, MassArt Boston MA	2012
“Pigment: Color and Metaphor”	
Bannister Gallery, Rhode Island College Providence RI	2012
“Resident: The Gift of Time”	
Blanc Gallery Boston MA	2012
“Deconstruct/Reconstruct”	
92Y Tribeca New York NY	2012
“Skowhegan Alum”	
Spoke Gallery Medicine Wheel Boston MA	2012
“Then and Now”	
Kingston Gallery Boston MA	2011
“Still”	
ArtStrand Provincetown MA	2011
“Projected Image”	
Kingston Gallery Boston MA	2011
“Dialogue”	
The Beehive Boston MA	2010
“Sting! IX, The Real World”	
New England School of Art and Design Boston MA	2010
“The Drawing Show”	
Gallery 360 Northeastern University Boston MA	2010
“On the Wall-NU Art & Design Faculty”	
Ice Box Project Space Crane Arts Philadelphia PA	2008
“From Taboo to Icon-Africanist Turnabout”	
Essex Art Center Lawrence MA	2008
“Paper Quilts”	
Northeastern University Boston MA	2007

“Back to Work - Faculty show”	
New England School of Art and Design Boston MA	2006
“Trace Elements- Ainslie & Anderson”	
Art Strand Provincetown MA	2006
“11+11, Gallery Artists Invite 11 Artists”	
Kingston Gallery Boston MA	2005
“Inviting, a Kingston Gallery Invitational”	
Fuller Craft Museum Brockton MA	2005
“Transformations East” traveling exhibition	
Samson Projects Boston MA	2004
“SuperSalon”	
Newbury College Art Gallery, Newbury College Brookline MA	2004
“Stitches- a Fiber Arts Collaborative”	
Kingston Gallery Boston MA	2003
“Wide Turns and Frequent Stops’	

Fairs

AREA CODE Art Fair, Main Section Online	2020
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Public and Corporate Collections

Global Tech Company, Cambridge, MA
 Mayor’s Office of Boston’s City Hall Boston MA
 Hoem Residence Toronto ON Canada
 Atelier 505 Condominiums Boston MA
 Lewis Wharf Dental Boston MA
 Meditech Westborough MA
 Nirox Foundation Johannesburg S A
 Office of the Provost Churchill Hall, Northeastern University Boston MA
 Fidelity Boston MA
 Natixis Global Associates Boston MA
 Hebrew Rehabilitation Center for Aged Boston MA
 ART/OMI Collection New York NY
 African National Congress Collection, Shell House Johannesburg, SA
 Gauteng Legislation Collection Johannesburg SA
 Development Bank of South Africa Johannesburg SA
 The Financial and Fiscal Commission Johannesburg SA
 Armscor Collection Pretoria SA
 Margate Municipal Art Museum Natal SA
 Gaborone National Museum Botswana SA
 African National Congress Collection Norway
 Australian High Commission Sydney Australia
 Chelsea and Westminster Hospital London UK

Public Commissions/Special Projects

Global Tech Company, Cambridge, MA	2022
Global Tech Company, Cambridge, MA	2020
Boston City Hall Mural	2020

As an extension of her project, she documented the reactions of City employees who walked by, and took photos of them with the mural.

Richard A. and Susan F. Smith Campus Center Harvard University Cambridge MA.	2019
Hubweek Boston public mural commission City Hall Plaza Boston MA	2018
Studio Allston Hotel Suite 411 Boston MA	2018
Enso Flats Brockton MA	2016
Tufts University CLIC Building Medford MA	2015
Northeastern University Ryder Hall Boston MA	2014
Meditech Foxborough MA	2014

Selected Bibliography

- News at Northeastern, Irvin Zhang and Ruby Wallau, August 4, 2020.
News at Northeastern, Molly Chase and Sean Yarolin, October 17, 2018.
Boston Globe, Cate McQuaid, June 10, 2018.
Art New England, David Raymond, March/April, 2016.
The Boston Globe, Ella Torres, November 11, 2015.
Northeastern Magazine, Joan Lynch, December, 2015.
Artsy Editorial, K. Sundberg, September 23, 2015.
The Boston Globe, Cate McQuaid, September 22, 2015.
Boston Home, Lauren Beaven, Summer, 2015.
The Huntington News, Rebecca Sirull, December 4, 2014.
ArtFetch, Celine Browning, March 27, 2013.
Artscope, Lindsey Davis, February 1, 2013.
The Boston Globe, Cate McQuaid, June 13, 2012.
Talking Writing, Judith A. Ross, September 2011.
The Boston Globe, Cate McQuaid, April 20 2011.
Artscope, Franklin W Liu, March/April 2011.
The Huntington News, Brenda Maguire, March 31, 2011.
Artscope, Franklin W Liu, March/April 2007.
Northeastern News, Bobby Feingold, March 14, 2007.
The Boston Phoenix, Christopher Millis, May 5 2006.
The Boston Globe, Cate McQuaid, April 27, 2006.
The Boston Globe, Cate McQuaid, September 22, 2005.
Northeastern News, Dinah Aloheid, August 10, 2005.
The Boston Phoenix, Randy Hopkins, August 5, 2005.
Arts Media, Jonathan Fardy, MAY/JUNE 2005.
The Sun, Nancy Tuttle, Steppin' Out: At the Galleries, April 7, 2005.
The Boston Phoenix, Randy Hopkins, April 1, 2005.
The Boston Globe, Emily Sweeney, "People and places," January 30, 2005.
Maverick Arts Magazine, Charles Giuliano, September 14, 2004.
Art New England, Kay Bourne, August/September 2004.
The New York Times, Holland Cotter, May 21, 2004.
The Boston Globe, Cate McQuaid, April 30, 2004.
The Boston Globe, Christine Temin, April 9, 2004.
Arts Media, Rebecca Tuch, Winter 2004.

Guest Teaching and Lectures

Gallery Naga Boston MA
 Artist's Talk

2021

Newport Art Museum Newport RI	2021
Artist's Talk	
Harvard University Medical School Cambridge MA	2018
Artist's Talk	
Museum of Art, University of New Hampshire, Paul Creative Arts Center	2016
Artist's Talk	
Gallery NAGA Boston MA	2015
Artist's Talk	
School of the Museum of Fine Arts Boston MA	2014
"Drawing Conversations"	
MassArt Boston MA	2013
Visiting Artist	
Montserrat College of Art Beverly MA	2013
Visiting Artist	
MassArt Brant Gallery Boston MA	2013
Visiting Artist	
School of Visual & Performing Arts Endicott College Beverly MA	2012
Visiting Artist	

Art Auctions

MassArt Auction, Live Auction, Juried, Mass. College of Art, Boston, MA	2022
MassArt Auction, Live Auction, Juried, Mass. College of Art, Boston, MA	2020
MassArt Auction, Live Auction, Juried, Mass. College of Art, Boston, MA	2019
MassArt Auction, Live Auction, Juried, Mass. College of Art, Boston, MA	2018
Artageous! 31, Live Auction, Juried, Montserrat College of Art, Beverly, MA	2017
MassArt Auction, Live Auction, Juried, Mass. College of Art, Boston, MA	2016
ARTcetera, Juried, The Park Plaza Castle, Boston, MA	2015
Museum Council Silent Auction, Juried, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA	2014
Museum Council Silent Auction, Juried, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA	2013
ARTcetera, Boston Center for the Arts, Boston, MA	2004

Awards and Honors

Book, Sophia Ainslie, Drawing Breath, 10 years, published by Gallery NAGA, October	2021
Grant, Northeastern University Office of the Provost Full-Time Non-Tenure Track	2019
Faculty Professional Development Fund	
Finalist Permanent mural for Farnsworth Street Hotel Boston MA	2017
Finalist and Winner Permanent mural for Enso Flats Brockton MA	2015
Inaugural Hendricks Art Fund for Tufts Graduates Recipient Medford MA	2015
Somerville Artist of the month Somerville Arts Council Somerville MA	2014
Nirox Foundation Residency Program-July Gauteng SA	2013
Grant, Artist Resource Trust MA	2012
Fellowship in Painting Massachusetts Cultural Council Boston MA	2012
Finalist in Drawing New England Art Award New England Journal of Aesthetic Research	2012
Grant, The George Sugarman Foundation CA	2007
Scholarship recipient Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture New York NY	2004
Grant, Browne Fund Boston MA	2002

Grant, Anne Graham Gund Boston MA 2001
Scholarship Tufts, Art History Department Medford MA 1998-2001

Education

New York Studio School of Drawing, Painting and Sculpture, Drawing Marathon 2004
School of the Museum of Fine Arts/ Tufts University, Master of Fine Arts 2001
Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture Maine, 3 month Residency 2001
Johannesburg Art Foundation South Africa, Studio Arts and Teachers Training age 4 - 25