

Resume / CV - Deborah Perlman

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South Florida artist Deborah Perlman is a graduate of Boston University (BFA, sculpture) and Cranbrook Academy of Art (MFA, sculpture). After graduate school, Perlman ventured into communications, enriching her creativity through travel and special assignments. Since dedicating herself to art full time, she has been featured in several art publications and her work has appeared in exhibitions nationwide including three solo exhibitions from 2023 – 2024. Perlman's work is held in private collections, and she is a member of regional and national professional artist organizations.

Perlman creates abstract geometric 3-D collage by transforming flat shapes into elevated forms and spaces that add depth, texture, and shadows. She cuts, scores, and folds paper to create the forms, then combines them with materials like photographs, wood, and metal. Juxtaposing these forms, she highlights their points of contact and the shadows they cast, enhancing the intention for each piece.

Perlman finds inspiration from the form, structure and styles of African sculpture; the Constructivism, Geometric Abstraction, and Cubism art movements; the work of Louise Nevelson; the 'illogical perspective' of Giorgio de Chirico and M.C. Escher; Joseph Cornell's shadow boxes; and Frank Stella's metal reliefs, among many others. Her concerns for the environment, reactions to global conflicts, and personal life experiences contribute to the subject matter she addresses.

Education

BFA degree (sculpture) - Boston University, Boston, MA MFA degree (sculpture) - Cranbrook Academy of Art, Bloomfield Hills, MI

Solo Exhibitions

- 2024 Somewhere Between, Pompano Beach Cultural Center, Pompano Beach, FL
- 2024 Screen Shot, The Frank Gallery, Pembroke Pines, FL
- 2023 Fresh Squeezed, Morean Arts Center, St. Petersburg, FL
- 2021 Gallery Ring (virtual exhibit)

Selected Group Exhibitions

2025

- Figure/Ground, SOBRA Collective, Fort Lauderdale, FL
- 34th Annual All-Florida Juried Exhibition, MartinArts, Stuart, FL
- Winter Small Works (virtual exhibit), Nat'l. Assn. of Women Artists

2024

- Transfigured, Debbie Dickinson Gallery, New York, NY
- Brave, Bold, Boundless, Nat'l. Assn. of Women Artists, FL Chapter, Miami Beach, FL
- 40th Annual Juried Exhibition, National Collage Society, Baltimore, MD
- What Lies Beneath (virtual exhibit), Collage Artists of America
- Un-B*Xn, 1310 Gallery, Fort Lauderdale, FL
- Interplay: Geometric Abstraction, 33 Contemporary Gallery, Palm Beach, FL
- Form + Space, Deland Museum of Art, Deland, FL
- Annual Juried Exhibit, CT Academy of Fine Arts, Slater Memorial Museum, Norwich, CT
- Small Works (virtual exhibit), Nat'l. Assn. of Women Artists
- Annual Exhibit, Nat'l. Assn. of Women Artists, One Art Space Gallery, New York, NY
- Strictly Abstract (virtual exhibit), O'Hanlon Center for the Arts, CA
- #COLLAGENOW (virtual exhibit), Denise Bibro Fine Art Gallery, New York, NY

- Awakening Earth: A Spring Narrative, Zhou B Art Center, Chicago, IL
- Art + Stroll, Business for the Arts Broward, Ft. Lauderdale

2023

- Portals (virtual exhibit), Maryland Federation of Art
- Paper Works (virtual exhibit), SITE:BROOKLYN, NY

2022

- Pine and Palm, Coral Springs Museum of Art, Coral Springs, FL
- 32nd All-Florida Juried Art Show, Martin Arts, Stuart, FL
- Waves, Art and Climate Exhibit, Arts Warehouse, Delray Beach, FL
- Works on Paper, Maryland Federation of Art, Annapolis, MD
- Art on BRIC Walls, Boca Raton, FL
- Modes of Abstraction, Art Center of Sarasota, FL

2021

- Picking Up the Pieces (virtual exhibit), Collage Artists of America
- First National Exhibition (virtual exhibit), Denise Bibro Fine Arts, NY
- Artists to Follow in 2021 (virtual exhibit), Michael Rose Fine Art, RI
- Leaders in Abstraction (virtual exhibit), The Art House Virtual Gallery, Chicago, IL
- Small Works (virtual exhibit), 440 Gallery, Brooklyn, NY
- 90th Annual Juried Exhibition (virtual exhibit), National Art League
- Artists Choice (virtual exhibit), Foundry Gallery, Washington, D.C.
- Continuum Exhibit, West Palm Beach, FL

Selected Honors/Awards

- 2024 Best in Show, "Portals" (virtual exhibit), Maryland Federation of Art
- 2023 Expo 42 Finalist (virtual exhibit), b.j. spoke gallery, New York
- 2022 1st Place, Mixed Media, 17th Annual Competition, Studio 18, Pembroke Pines, FL
- 2022 Honorable Mention, Art Extravaganza, Studio 18, Pembroke Pines, FL
- 2021 2nd Place, Art in the Time of Corona, Artist Table Virtual Gallery, 2021
- 2020 Honorable Mention, Abstractions Exhibit, Broward Art Guild
- 2020 1st Place, Mixed Media, 16th Annual Competition, Studio 18, Pembroke Pines, FL
- 2020 Juror's Choice Award, Elemental: Earth, Fire, Water, Air, Maryland Federation of Art
- 2019 Best in Show, Winter Spectacular Salon, Broward Art Guild
- 2019 Honorable Mention and People's Choice Award, Tri-County Biennial Exhibit, FL

Teaching / Professional Experience

- 2024 Lecture on "Creativity" Hollywood, FL
- 2024 3-D Collage Workshop Pompano Beach Cultural Center, FL
- 2024 Artist Talk and Collage Workshop

 The Frank Gallery, Pembroke Pines, FL
- 2023 Artist Talk, Morean Art Center, St. Petersburg, FL

Press

- 2024 Create! Magazine Blog, Artist Interview, August
- 2024 Modern Renaissance Magazine, Featured Artist, July
- 2024 Create! Magazine, Featured Artist, Issue 45
- 2024 Women United Art Magazine, Curator's Pick
- 2023 Art Seen Magazine, Featured Artist
- 2023 Art Fluent, Curator's Choice Artist Interview
- 2022 Visionary Art Collective, Artist Interview
- 2021 Art Seen Magazine, Featured Artist
- 2021 Art Gallery 118, Featured Artist

- 2021 Visionary Art Collective, Featured Artist
- 2021 Artsy Shark, Featured Artist

Professional Artist Memberships

- National Association of Women Artists, Signature Member
- National Collage Society
- Collage Artists of America
- Allied Artists of America
- SOBRA Artists Collective, South Florida
- Broward Art Guild, Ft. Lauderdale, FL
- ArtServe, Ft. Lauderdale, FL

Collections

Perlman's art is held in private collections throughout the U.S.