

GLADYS NILSSON

BORN

1940 Chicago, IL

EDUCATION

1962 The School of the Art Institute of Chicago

FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS

2004 William A. Patton Prize for Watercolor, *The 179th Annual: An Invitational Exhibition of Contemporary American Art*, National Academy Museum, New York, NY

1974 & 89 NEA Fellowship

SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2017 Gladys Nilsson: The 1980s, Garth Greenan Gallery, New York, NY

2014 Solo Show at Garth Greenan Gallery, New York NY

2013 *Hidden Treasures Unveiled: Watercolors* Pennsylvania Academy of The Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA

2012 Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL

2011 Hanes Art Gallery, Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem, NC

2010 *Gladys Nilsson: Works from 1966-2010*, Ukrainian Institute of Modern Art, Chicago, IL

2009 Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL

2008 Luise Ross Gallery, New York, NY

The Baseball Show, Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL

2007 *25 Years of Watercolors*, Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL

2006 Rockford College Art Museum, Rockford, IL

Tarble Art Center, Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, IL

2005 Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL

University Art Gallery, Saginaw Valley State University, University Center, MI

2004 Tory Folliard Gallery, Milwaukee, WI

2003 Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL

Adrian College, Adrian, MI (with catalogue)

2002 *Watercolors*, Quincy Art Center, Quincy, IL

Fleisher/Ollman Gallery, Philadelphia, PA

2001 Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL

Tacoma Art Museum, Tacoma, WA

2000 Rosemont College, Rosemont, PA

Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL

1998 Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL

A Print Survey, Printworks Gallery, Chicago, IL

1997 Fleisher/Ollman Gallery, Philadelphia, PA

John Natsoulas Gallery, Davis, CA

1996 University Club of Chicago, Chicago, IL

Braunsten/Quay Gallery, San Francisco, CA

1994 -70 Phyllis Kind Gallery, Chicago, IL

1987 -75 Phyllis Kind Gallery, New York, NY

1994 John Natoulas Gallery, Davis, CA

Ovsey Gallery, La Brea, CA

Dean Jensen Gallery, Milwaukee, WI

1993 Dine Museum, BIG CAT Press, Chicago, IL

Janet Fleisher Gallery, Philadelphia, PA

1992 Ovsey Gallery, La Brea, CA

Xochipilli Gallery, Birmingham, MI

- 1991 Janet Fleisher Gallery, Philadelphia, PA
Braunstein/Quay Gallery, San Francisco, CA
- 1985 Galerie Bonnier, Geneva Switzerland
- 1984 *Gladys Nilsson: Greatest Hits from Chicago*, Randolph Street Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 1979-80 *Survey of Works on Paper 1967-1979*, Wake Forest Fine Arts Gallery, Winston-Salem, NC; Corpus Christi State University, TX; Western Museum of Fine Art, Racine, WI
- 1979 Portland Visual Arts Center, OR
- 1977 Susan B. Anthony Gallery, University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI
- 1973 Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY
- 1971-73 Candy Store Gallery, Folsom, CA
- 1971 Chico State College Gallery, Chico, CA
- 1969 San Francisco Art Institute, Clay Street Gallery, San Francisco, CA
- 1966 Marjorie Dell Gallery, Chicago, IL
Kendall College, Evanston, IL

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2016 *Shout for Tomorrow*, Hirschl & Adler Modern, New York
- 2014 *Head: Works of Gladys Nilsson, Academy Records, Dan Attoe, Rob Bondgren, Mariano Chavez, Ryan Travis Christian, Lilli Carre, Edie Fake, Dan Cluibizzi, Richard Hull, Stephen Irwin, Eli Jones, Larassa Kabel, Jose Lerma, Dutes Miller, Miller & Shellabarger, Dob Mizer, Rachel Niffenegger, Paul Nudd, Robyn O'Neil, Onsmith/Nudd, The John Riepenhoff Experience Featuring Ann Greene Kelly, Edra Soto, Ben Stone, Chris Vorhees*, Western Exhibitions, Chicago, IL
- 2013 *Hidden Treasures Unveiled: Watercolors*, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA
Gladys Nilsson and Julia Benjamin, National Exemplar Gallery, New York, NY
Wild, Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2012 *Narrative Impulse: Works of Gladys Nilsson, Eleanor Spiess-Ferris and John Pitman Weber*, Christopher Art Gallery, Prairie State College, Chicago Heights, IL
Objets Extraordinaire, Highland Park Art Center, Highland Park, IL
- 2011 *The Art of Collecting*, the Flint Institute of Arts, Flint, MI
Re: Chicago, Depaul University Art Museum, Chicago, IL
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Chicago Imagists, Madison Museum of Contemporary Art, Madison, WI
40/40, Ukrainian Institute of Modern Art, Chicago, IL
The Paper Show, Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2010 *185th Annual: An Invitational Exhibition of Contemporary Art*, National Academy Museum, New York, NY
Chicago Imagism(s), Natalie and James Thompson Art Gallery, San Jose State University, San Jose, CA
- 2009 *Collaborative Vision: The Poetic Dialogue Project*, Chicago Cultural Center, Chicago, IL
Modern and Contemporary Works on Paper, Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL
Cool! Cool! Cool! Cool!, Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2008 *The Baseball Show*, Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2007 *The Art of Collecting*, Flint Institute of Art, Flint, MI
P.R.I.N.T. Looking Back, Pressing Forward, University of North Texas Art Gallery, Denton, TX
Rare Birds, Luise Ross Gallery, New York, NY
Ahzad Bogosian, Gladys Nilsson, & Fred Stonehouse, Tory Folliard Gallery, Milwaukee, WI
Chicago Collage, Russell Bowman Gallery, Chicago, IL
Bold Saboteurs: Collage & Construction in Chicago, Corbett vs. Dempsey, Chicago, IL
15th Anniversary Exhibition, Woman Made Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2006 *Drawn into the World: Drawings from the MCA Collection*, Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL
Couples Discourse, Palmer Museum of Art, Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA

- Art in Chicago: Resisting Regionalism, Transforming Modernism*, Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, PA
- Full Frontal: the Dirty, Lewd, Erotic Show*, Corbett vs. Dempsey, Chicago, IL
- #510 If the Shoe Fits*, Betty Rymer Gallery, The Art Institute of Chicago, IL
- Artful Jesters*, The Painting Center, New York, NY and Brattleboro Museum & Art Center, Brattleboro, VT
- 2005 *25th Anniversary Show*, Block Museum, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL
- Light, Line and Color*, Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA
- 2004-05 *Painting the Town Red*, Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2004 *Faculty Sabbatical Exhibition*, The School of the Art Institute of Chicago, IL
- The 179th Annual: An invitational exhibition of contemporary American art*, National Academy Museum, New York, NY
- Rocks, Paper, Scissors*, Suburban Fine Arts Center, Highland Park, IL
- 2003 *The Ganzfeld (unbound)*, Adam Baumgold Gallery, New York, NY
- January White Sale*, Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2002 *Made in Chicago: Circa 1970*, Adam Baumgold Gallery, New York, NY
- Gladys Nilsson/Karl Wirsum*, Quincy Art Center, Quincy, IL
- 2001 *Reflections: Fifteenth Anniversary Show*, Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2000 *Chicago Loop: Imagist Art 1949-1979*, Whitney Museum of American Art, Fairfield County, CT
- Biennale*, Fort Wayne Museum of Art, IN
- The Likeness of Being: Contemporary Self Portraits by Fifty Women Artists*, D.C. Moore Gallery, New York, NY
- 1999-00 *Jumping Jack Back Flash*, Northern Indiana Art's Association, Munster, IN and Chicago Cultural Center, Chicago, IL
- 1999-00 *Illinois Women Artists: The New Millennium*, Illinois Committee for the National Museum of Women in the Arts, Washington, DC
- 1999 *Defining Our Roles: A Celebration of Artwork by Women*, Northern Indiana Arts Association, Munster, IN
- Jim Nutt/Gladys Nilsson*, Kalamazoo Institute of Arts, Kalamazoo, MI
- Primary Colors*, Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 1998 *Making Marks*, Milwaukee Art Museum, Milwaukee, WI
- Summer Group Show*, DC Moore Gallery, New York, NY
- 1997 *Gladys Nilsson and Jim Nutt -Works on Paper*, Butler Institute of American Art, Youngstown, OH
- Trends in Postwar Chicago Art*, Smart Museum of Art, University of Chicago, IL
- Thirty Hairy*, Phyllis Kind Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 1997 *2x2*, Galerie Simonne Stern, New Orleans, LA
- Chicago Imagists, Then and Now*, Selby Gallery, Ringling School of Art & Design, Sarasota, FL
- Chicago: Selections from the Permanent Collection*, Milwaukee Art Museum, WI
- Contemporary Women Printmakers*, Milwaukee Art Museum, WI
- Grins: Humor and Whimsy in Contemporary Art*, Millard Sheets Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
- Art and Provocation: Images from Rebels*, Boulder Museum of Contemporary Art, Boulder, CO
- Serieserieseries*, Rockford College Art Gallery, Rockford, IL
- 1996 *Deep Water! Watercolor Stretching the Envelope*, Sarasota Visual Art Center, FL
- Watercolor USA*, Springfield Art museum, Springfield, IL
- 1968*, Betty Rymer Gallery, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, IL
- Domestique: Gladys Nilsson and Claudia DeMonte*, Leedy Voulkos Gallery, Kansas City, MO
- Gladys Nilsson and Jim Nutt: A Review of Works by the Artists 1960s to the Present*, Phyllis Kind Gallery, Chicago, IL
- Gladys Nilsson and Jim Nutt*, University Art Gallery, Staller Center for the Arts, State

- University of New York at Stony Brook
Art in Chicago: 1945-1995, Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL
Second Sight: Modern Printmaking in Chicago, Mary & Leigh Block Gallery,
Northwestern University, Evanston, IL
- 1995 *Bring Your Own Barbie Party*, The World Financial Center Arts & Events Program,
New York, NY
*Four Artisans in Monotype: Nick Dematties, Gladys Nilsson, Italo Scanga, and Jim
Waid*, Quartet, Pensacola, FL
*Transparent and Opaque: Watercolors from the Sheldon Memorial Art Gallery
and Sculpture Garden*, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, NE
*Group Show: Paul Gopal-Chaudury, Gladys Nilsson, Barbara Rossi, and Ray
Yoshida*, Phyllis Kind Gallery, New York, NY
- 1995 *Wit and Wisdom*, Parkland College Art Gallery, Champaign, IL
Gladys Nilsson and Claudia DeMonte, Xochipilli Gallery, Birmingham, MI
Phyllis Kind Gallery Revisited, The Foster Gallery, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire,
- 1994 *Small Details: Intimate Images through Artists' Eyes*, curated by John Heintzman,
Lakeview Museum of Arts and Sciences
Something in Common, Artemisia, Chicago, IL
The Aesthetics of Athletics: Artists View Games, Sports, and Exercise, Charles A.
Wustum Museum of Fine Art
- 1993 *Imagery: Incongruous Juxtapositions*, Phyllis Kind Gallery, Chicago, IL
Personal Imagery, Phyllis Kind Gallery, Chicago, IL; New York, NY
International Critics' Choice, Mitchell Museum, Mt. Vernon, IL
BIG CAT Presents, Bridgewater/Custbeng Gallery, New York, NY
Watercolor, Xochipilli Gallery, Birmingham, MI
Bout Bicycles, American Bicycle and Cycling Museum, Sacramento, CA in
collaboration with the Institute for Design and Experimental Art (IDEA)
State of the Art 1993, Parkland College, Champaign, IL
- 1992-93 *Parallel Vision: Modern Artists and Outsider Art*, Los Angeles County Museum; a
traveling exhibition
- 1992 *Holy Night*, John Natsoulas Gallery, Davis, CA
Arts Nova Judges Show, Northern Illinois University DeKalb, IL
My Father's House Has Many Mansions, Phyllis Kind Gallery, New York, NY
- 1991-93 *Spirited Visions: Portraits of Chicago Artists by Patty Carroll*, The State of Illinois Art
Gallery, Chicago; a traveling exhibition
- 1991 *Artists and the American Yard*, Charles A. Wustum Museum of Fine Arts, Racine, WI
Dean Jensen Gallery, Milwaukee, WI
- 1990-91 *Works on Paper*, Weatherspoon Art Gallery, University of North Carolina at
Greensboro, NC
Portraits of a Kind, Phyllis Kind Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 1990 *Watercolor Alternatives: Four Chicago Artists/Gaines, Meyer, Nilsson, and Tenuta*,
South Bend Art Center, South Bend, IN
Exhibition by Artists of Chicago and Vicinity, The Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL
For the Birds, Charles A. Wustum Museum of Fine Arts, Racine, WI
- 1989 *The Candy Store*, Redding Museum, Redding, CA; Dean Jensen Gallery,
Milwaukee, WI, a traveling exhibition
Human Concern/Personal Torment - Revisited, Phyllis Kind Gallery, New York, NY
and Chicago, IL
78th Annual Exhibition; "Chicago", Maier Museum of Art, Randolph-Macon
Woman's College, Lynchburg, VA
Birthday Cake (50th Anniversary Exhibition), Hyde Park Art Center, Chicago, IL
- 1988-89 *Works by Women*, Mitchell Museum, Mt. Vernon, IL
- 1988 *Just Like a Woman*, Greenville County Museum of Art, Greenville, SC
Artist Talk: Gladys Nilsson, Peter Vandenberg, Memorial Union Art Gallery
- 1987 *The Chicago Imagist Print*, David and Alfred Smart Gallery, The University of

- Chicago, IL
Of New Account: The Chicago Imagists, The School Art Gallery, Bowling Green State University, Ohio
Drawings of the Chicago Imagists, The Renaissance Society, Chicago, IL
The Years of Passage: 1969-1975, Fresno Arts Center and Museum, Fresno, CA
- 1986 *Recent Drawing Acquisitions*, The Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY
Chicago Cross-Section, Trisolini Gallery, University of Ohio at Athens
- 1983 *Two Hundred Years of American Painting from Private Chicago Collections*, Terra Museum of American Art, Chicago, IL
- 1984 *Ten Years of Collecting Contemporary Art*, Chicago, IL
Nilsson, Nutt, Paschke, Rocca, Wirsum, Galerie Bonnier, Geneva, Switzerland
Marathon, New York Road Runners Society, New York, NY
Contemporary Images in Watercolor: 1983, Priebe Art Gallery, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh, WI
Contemporary Chicago Imagists, Illinois Wesleyan University, Bloomington, IL
Invitational Exhibit for the Benefit of the Hyde Park Art Center, Hyde Park Art Center, Chicago, IL
- 1982-83 *Selected Women Painters*, The Castle Gallery, College of New Rochelle, NY
- 1982 *Chicago Imagists*, Kansas City Art Institute, MO; Saginaw Art Museum, MI
Hot Chicago, Douglas Drake Gallery, Kansas City, KS
Thirty National Women in Art, Edison Community college, Fort Meyers, FL
- 1980-82 *Who Chicago? An Exhibition of Chicago Imagists*, Sunderland Arts Centre, Ceolfrith Gallery, England; and traveling to Camden Arts Centre, London; Third Eye Centre, Glasgow, Scotland; The Scottish National Gallery, Edinburgh; The Welsh Arts Council, Glynvivan Gallery, Swansea, Wales; Institute of Contemporary Art, Boston, MA; Contemporary Arts Center, New Orleans, LA
- 1981 *Alternative Realities in Contemporary Painting*, Katherine E. North Gallery, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN
A Woman's Place, John Michael Kohler Art Center, Sheboygan, WI
- 1980 *Six Artists From Chicago*, James Mayor Gallery, London, England
Renderings of the Modern Woman, The Joseloff Gallery of the University of Hartford, CT
Some Recent Art From Chicago, Ackland Art Museum, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Contemporary Drawings and Watercolors, Memorial Art Gallery, University of Rochester, NY
- 1979 *The Koffler Foundation: Chicago Currents*, National Collection of Fine Arts, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C.
- 1978 *Eleven Chicago Painters*, University of South Florida, Tallahassee, FL
- 1976-77 *The Chicago Connection*, E.B. Crocker Art Gallery, Sacramento, CA traveling to Newport Harbor Art Museum, Newport, CA, Phoenix Art Museum, Phoenix, AZ, Brooks Memorial Art Gallery, Memphis TN, Memorial Art Gallery, University of Rochester, Rochester, NY
- 1976 *100 Artists/ 100 Years: Former Alumni of the Art Institute of Chicago*, Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL
- 1974-73 *XII Bienal de Sao Paulo*, Sao Paulo, Brazil traveling throughout South America (Enlarged exhibit titled *Made in Chicago* was installed at the Museum of Fine Arts, Smithsonian Institute, Washington, D.C. and Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL)
- 1972 *Eight Artists From Chicago*, Stern Gallery, New Orleans, LA
- 1971 *Poetic Fantasy*, San Francisco Museum of Art, San Francisco, CA
- 1970 *Chicago Show*, Feigen Gallery/ Downtown, New York, NY
- 1970-69 *Human Concerns/ Personal Torment*, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY; University of California at Berkeley, Berkeley, CA
- 1969 *Spirit of Comics*, Institute of Contemporary Art, University of Pennsylvania,

Philadelphia, PA
Don Baum Sez 'Chicago Needs Famous Artists', Museum of Contemporary Art,
Chicago, IL
da Hairy Who?, Dupont Center, Corcoran Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C.
1968 *Whitney Annual*, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York
The Hairy Who, San Francisco Art Institute, San Francisco, CA
1968-66 *The Hairy Who*, Hyde Park Art Center, Chicago, IL

SELECTED PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

Morgan Library, New York
Art Gallery of Western Australia, Perth
Art Institute of Chicago, IL
Brauer Museum of Art, Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, IN
Continental Bank, Chicago, IL
Flint Institute of Arts, Flint, MI
First National Bank of Chicago, IL
Kalamazoo Institute of Arts, Kalamazoo, MI
Kendall Gallery, Ferris State University, Grand Rapids, MI
Kresge Art Museum, Michigan State University, Lansing, MI
Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA
Madison Museum of Contemporary Art, Madison, WI
Maier Museum of Art, Randolph-Macon Women's College
Memorial Art Gallery, University of Rochester, Rochester, NY
Midwest Museum of American Art, Elkhart, IN
Milwaukee Art Museum, Milwaukee, WI
Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL
Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
Museum Modern Kunst, Vienna, Austria
National Museum of American Art, Smithsonian Institute, Washington D.C.
New Orleans Museum of Art
Owens-Corning Fiberglass, Toledo, OH
Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA
Philadelphia Museum of Art, Philadelphia, PA
Phoenix Art Museum Phoenix, AZ
State of Illinois Collection, Chicago, IL
Weatherspoon Art Gallery, UNC, Greensboro, NC
Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY