

MARGARET WHARTON

- B.** 1943 Portsmouth, VA
D. 2014 Chicago, IL

EDUCATION

- 1975 MFA The School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL
1965 BS University of Maryland, College Park, MD

HONORS, GRANTS & AWARDS

- 2013 Adolph and Esther Gottlieb Foundation Individual Support Grant
1999 Illinois Arts Council Grant
1998 US Department of State, Art in Embassies Program, Guatemala
1993 National Endowment for the Arts Grant
1988 National Endowment for the Arts Grant
1986 National Endowment for the Arts Fellowship Sculpture Panelist
1984 Award in the Visual Arts
1979 National Endowment for the Arts Grant
1972 Founding Member, Artemisia Cooperative Gallery, Chicago, IL

COMMISSIONS

- 1986 Rehearsal, Chicago Public Library; West Lawn Branch, Chicago, IL
1985 Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL

TEACHING

- 1994 Visiting Artist, Columbia College, Chicago, IL
1990 Visiting Artist, The School of the Art Institute, Chicago, IL
1989 Visiting Artist, The School of the Art Institute, Chicago, IL
1978 Visiting Artist, The School of the Art Institute, Chicago, IL

SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2016 *The Magic of Margaret Wharton*, Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL
2014 *In Memoriam*, Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL
2012 *Wharton's World*, Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL
2011 *Constructions*, Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL
2010 *Some Assembly Required: A Margaret Wharton Retrospective*, South Shore Arts, Munster, IN
2008 The Baseball Show, Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL
SOFA CHICAGO, Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL
2003 *Slicing it Thin*, Montalvo, Saratoga, CA
2000 Rockford College Art Gallery, Rockford, IL
Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL
Rockford College, Rockford, IL
1997 Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL
1996 *Discordant Voices*, Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL
Mixed Media Sculpture, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI
1995 *Margaret Wharton: Potent Objects/ A Survey of Work, 1985-1995*, Evanston Art Center,
Evanston, IL
1994 *Experimental Journey*, Zolla-Lieberman Gallery, Chicago, IL
1992 *Slicing It Thin*, Zolla-Lieberman Gallery, Chicago, IL
1991 Phyllis Kind Gallery, Chicago, IL

- 1990 Phyllis Kind Gallery, New York, NY
- 1988 Phyllis Kind Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 1987 Phyllis Kind Gallery, New York, NY
- 1985 Phyllis Kind Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 1983 Phyllis Kind Gallery, New York, NY
- 1981-82 *Margaret Wharton*, Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL; Laguna Gloria Art Museum, Austin, TX; University of South Florida Art Galleries, Tampa, FL; Gibbes Art Gallery, Charleston, SC
- 1981 Phyllis Kind Gallery, New York, NY
- 1977-80 Phyllis Kind Gallery, Chicago, IL

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2015-16 *Surrealism: The Conjured Life*, Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL
- 2015 *Constructed/Deconstructed*, Christopher Art Gallery, Prairie State College, Chicago Heights, IL
- 2014 *Winter Blues*, Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2013 *Wild*, Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2012 *Face Forward: The Art of the Self-Portrait*, Printworks Gallery, Chicago, IL
- Objects*, Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL
- Objets Extraordinaire*, Highland Park Art Center, Highland Park, IL
- Re-Source*, Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2011 *In the House: Sculpture for the Home*, NIU Art Museum, DeKalb, IL
- The Paper Show*, Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL
- Play Ball*, Lancaster Museum of Art, Lancaster, PA
- 2009 *Cool! Cool! Cool! Cool!*, Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2008 *Two Thousand Years of Sculpture*, Fleisher/Ollman Gallery, Philadelphia, PA
- 2007 *Art Works Chicago*, Metropolitan Capital Bank, Chicago, IL
- 2006 *Arts Botanica*, Loyola University Museum of Art, Chicago, IL
- 2004-05 *Painting the Town Red*, Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2004 *Out of the Blues*, Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL
- Some Things Happening: 25 Years of Herron Gallery Exhibits*, Indiana State Museum, Indianapolis, IN
- Water World*, South Bend Regional Museum of Art, South Bend, IN
- 2003 *The Artful Teapot: 20th Century Expressions from the Kamm Collection*, traveling exhibition, Chicago Cultural Center, Chicago, IL
- Chicago Artists in the New Millennium*, Union League Clue of Chicago, IL
- January White Sale*, Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2001 *Reflections: Fifteenth Anniversary Show*, Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2000 *2000 Biennial*, Fort Wayne Museum of Art
- Chicago Artists*, Okaloosa-Walton Community College, Niceville, FL
- Synthesis*, Sonnenschein Gallery, Lake Forest College, Lake Forest, IL
- 1999 *Bookish*, Chicago Cultural Center, Chicago, IL
- 1998-99 *Primary Colors*, Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 1998 *Transpositions; Margaret Wharton and Ellen Lanyon*, Adrian College, Adrian, MI
- The Book Transformed*, Evanston Arts Center, Evanston, IL
- A Game of Chance*, Printworks Gallery, Chicago, IL; Susan Cummings Gallery, Mill Valley, CA
- 1997 *Pink*, Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL
- UNBOUND: Art in Bookform/Book as Artform*, Herron Gallery, Indianapolis, IN
- Galleria Massari*, Civiche Gallerie d'Arte, Ferrara, Italy
- Bang! The Gun as Image*, Florida State University, Fine Art Museum, Tallahassee, FL
- 1996-97 *Art In Chicago 1945 - 1995*, Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL

- 1996 *10th Anniversary Exhibit*, Gahlberg Gallery, College of DuPage, Glen Ellyn, IL
A Labor of Love, The New Museum of Contemporary Art, New York, NY
Small Wonders, San Francisco Craft and Folk Art Museum, San Francisco, CA
- 1995 Jean Albano Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 1994 *A Passionate Perspective: Francis and June Speizer Collection of Art*, Rockford Art Museum, Rockford, IL
The Object Redux: Re-Used, Re-Newed and Re-Invented, Charles A. Wustum Museum of Fine Arts, Racine, WI
- 1994 *Common/Uncommon*, Gahlberg Gallery, Arts Center, College of DuPage, Glen Ellyn, IL
- 1993 Union League Club, Chicago, IL
- 1992 *Face to Face: Self-Portraits by Chicago Artists*, Chicago Cultural Center, Chicago, IL
Assemblage, Southeastern Center for Contemporary Art, Winston-Salem, NC
- 1991-93 *Spirited Visions: Portraits of Chicago Artists by Patty Carroll*, The State of Illinois Art Gallery, Chicago, IL (traveling exhibition)
- 1991 *Sculptors on Paper*, University of Wisconsin Art Museum, Milwaukee, WI
Revelations: Artists Look at Religions, The School of the Art Institute, Chicago, IL
- 1990-91 *Portraits of A Kind*, Phyllis Kind Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 1990 *Signs of Support: Furniture Forms in Contemporary American Art*, John Michael Kohler Arts Center, Sheboygan, WI
Death, State of Illinois Art Gallery, Chicago, IL (traveling exhibition)
Off the Shelf: Books Made by Artists, Rockford College Art Gallery, Rockford, IL
- 1988-90 *Making Their Mark: Woman Artists Move Into the Mainstream, 1970-1985*, Cincinnati Art Museum, Cincinnati, OH; New Orleans Museum of Art, New Orleans, LA; Denver Art Museum, Denver, CO; Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA
- 1987-90 *Diamonds are Forever: Artists and Writers on Baseball*, New York State Museum, Albany, NY; Norton Gallery, West Palm Beach, FL; Museum of Art and History, San Juan, PR; Contemporary Arts Center, Cincinnati, OH; Utah Museum of Fine Arts, Salt Lake City, UT; Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, TX; Baltimore Museum of Art, Baltimore, MD; Chicago Public Library Cultural Center, Chicago, IL; Oakland Museum, Oakland, CA; New York Public, New York, NY; The Institute of Contemporary Art, Boston, MA; San Diego Museum of Contemporary Art, La Jolla, CA; Southeastern Center for Contemporary Art, Winston Salem, NC; The Skydrome, Toronto, Canada; Yurakucho Art Forum/Seibu Department Store, Tokyo, Japan; The Taipei Fine Arts Museum, Taipei/ Taiwan, Denver Art Museum/ Downtown Branch, Denver, CO; Scottsdale Center for the Arts, Scottsdale, AZ; Albright Knox Art Gallery, Buffalo, NY.
- 1989 *Chicago Works: Art from the Windy City*, Bruce Gallery, University of Pennsylvania at Edinboro; Erie Art Museum, Erie, PA
Beyond the Tradition of Rocking Chairs, Bernice Steinbaum Gallery, New York, NY
- 1988-89 *Works by Women*, The Mitchell Museum, Mt. Vernon, IL
- 1988 *Fifteen Year Anniversary Exhibition: 1973-1988*, Artemisia Gallery, Chicago, IL
In the Folk Art Tradition: Contemporary Wood Sculpture, The Mitchell Museum, Mt. Vernon, IL
Chair as Object as Statement, University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire, WI
Chicago Now!, The South Bend Art Center, South Bend, IN
- 1987-88 *The Eloquent Object*, Philbrook Art Center, Tulsa, OK; The Oakland Museum, Oakland, CA; The Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA; The Cultural Center, Chicago, IL; Orlando Museum of Art, Orlando, FL; Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, Richmond, VA; Kyoto, Japan; Tokyo, Japan

- 1987 *Standing Ground: Sculpture by American Women*, The Contemporary Arts Center, Cincinnati, OH
Xylem/Wood: Four Sculptors, The Kansas City Art Center, Kansas City, MO
- 1986-87 *Artist Source: Influence; Stimuli; Inspiration; Obsession*, Gallery 200, School of Art, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL; School of the Art Institute of Chicago Gallery, Chicago, IL; Art and Architecture Gallery, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN
- 1986 *Fetish Art: Obsessive Expression*, Rockford Art Museum, Rockford, IL
 Apfelbaum, Bourgeois, Graves, Park, Putnam, Wharton, Paolo Salvador Gallery, New York, NY
- 1985 *Selections from the William J. Hokin Collection*, Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL
American Painting and Sculpture: 1968-Present, Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL
Selected Wood Sculpture, Phyllis Kind Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 1984-5 *Contemporary American Wood Sculpture*, Crocker Art Museum, Sacramento, CA (traveling exhibition)
- 1984 *Awards in the Visual Arts 3: An Exhibition of Works by Recipients of the 3rd Annual Awards in the Visual Arts*, organized under the auspices of the Southeastern Center for Contemporary Art, Winston-Salem, NC; San Antonio Museum of Art, San Antonio, TX; Loch Haven Art Center, Orlando, FL; Cranbrook Academy of Art Gallery, Bloomfield Hills, MI
Alternative Spaces, Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL
Ten Years of Collecting Art at the MCA, Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL
- 1983-84 *Drawing in Air*, Celofrith Gallery, Sunderland Arts Centre, England; Glynn Vivian Gallery and Museum, Swansea, Wales; City Art Gallery and Henry Moore Center, Leeds, England
- 1983 *Sculpture Then and Now*, James Mayor Gallery, London, England
Window Shopping, North Wells, West Hubbard and North State Streets, Chicago, IL
Day In, Day Out: Ordinary Life as a Source of Art, Freedman Gallery, Albright College, Reading, PA
Poetic Objects, Washington Project for the Arts, Washington, D.C.
Personification, Massachusetts College of Art, Boston, MA
Invitational Exhibition for the Benefit of the Hyde Park Art Center, Chicago, IL
- 1982-83 *Dialect=Dialectic: A Group Show of Artists with Complex Individual Vocabularies*, Phyllis Kind Gallery, Chicago, IL and New York, NY
- 1982 *Works in Wood*, Margo Leavin Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
Wood into the 80's, Truman Gallery, Indiana State University, Terre Haute, IN
Dead or Alive, Lerner Heller Gallery, New York, NY (traveling exhibition)
- 1981 *City Sculpture*, Chicago Public Library Cultural Center, Chicago, IL
- 1980 *Six Artists from Chicago*, James Mayor Gallery, London, England
Chicago/Chicago, Contemporary Art Center, Cincinnati, OH
Painting and Sculpture Today, 1980, Indianapolis Museum of Art, Indianapolis, IN
- 1979 *100 years/100 Artists*, Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL
New Dimensions: Volume and Space, Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL
American Portraits of the Sixties and Seventies, Aspen Center for the Visual Arts, Aspen, CO
Prize Winners Revisited, The Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL
- 1978 *American Chairs: Form, Function and Fantasy*, John Michael Kohler Art Center, Sheboygan, WI

- The Daley Memorial*, N.A.M.E. Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 1977 *Contemporary Chicago Sculpture*, Kalamazoo Institute of the Arts, Kalamazoo, MI
Artemesia Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 1976 *Improbable Furniture*, Institute of Contemporary Art, University of Pennsylvania,
Philadelphia PA; Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL
Visions/Paintings and Sculpture: Distinguished Alumni 1945 to Present, The School of
the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL (Former Famous Alumni)
Paintings and Sculpture, Krannert Art Museum, Champaign, IL
Art Park, Lewiston, NY
- 1975 *Fellowship Show*, The Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL
(Anna Louise Raymond Award)
Artemesia, Chicago, IL
- 1974 *Chicago and Vicinity Show*, The Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL (Logan Prize)
Artemesia, Chicago, IL

SELECTED COLLECTIONS

American Medical Association, Chicago, IL
The Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL
Arthur Andersen Company, Chicago, IL
AT&T, Chicago, IL
Corcoran Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C.
Dallas Museum, Dallas, TX
Elmhurst College Art Collection, Elmhurst, IL
First National Bank, Chicago, IL
Gloria and Sonny Kamm Teapot Foundation Collection, Sparta, NC
Madison Art Center, Madison, WI
Milwaukee Art Museum, Milwaukee, WI
Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL
Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts
Seattle Art Museum, Seattle, WA
State of Illinois Collection, Chicago, IL
Union League Club, Chicago, IL
Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY
Yale University Art Museum