

LAURA SELLERS

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EDUCATION

Masters in Fine Art, Western Carolina University

Graduated December 2015, Total GPA: 3.9. Masters specialized in painting

Bachelors of Art and Design, North Carolina State University

Graduated May 2009, Total GPA: 3.94, Major GPA: 4.0 Bachelors specialized in graphic design, photography, painting, drawing, sculpture, art history, and film

EXPERIENCE:

Momentum Gallery Asheville, NC

Gallery Consultant from December 2021 - Present

Warren Wilson College Asheville, NC

Adjunct Professor and Instructor of Record for four sections of 2-Dimensional Design, a section of Introduction to Painting, a section of Drawing II, a section of Introduction to Drawing and two sections of a Community Artist Looking and Making Course from Fall 2018 - Present

Western Carolina University Cullowhee, NC

Adjunct Professor and Instructor of Record for five sections of Communication Design from Spring 2019 - 2020

Adjunct Professor and Instructor of Record for six sections of 2-Dimensional Design from Fall 2017 - Fall 2020

Adjunct Professor and Instructor of Record for three sections of Introduction to Drawing from August 2016 - Spring 2018

Adjunct Professor and Instructor of Record for five sections of Introduction to the Visual Arts from January 2017 - Fall 2018

Graduate Teacher Assistant and Instructor of Record for one section of Introduction to Drawing from August 2015 - December 2015

Graduate Teacher Assistant and Instructor of Record for two sections of Introduction to 2-D Design from August 2014 - May 2015

Substitute Instructor for one section of Plein Air Landscape Painting, Summer 2015 MFA Assistantship from August 2013 - May 2014

Nesbitt Discovery (STEM) Academy High School Asheville, NC

Art Appreciation Adjunct Instructor from August 2016 - December 2017

Asheville-Buncombe Technical Community College Asheville, NC

Art Appreciation Adjunct Instructor from January 2016 - December 2017

Asheville-Buncombe Technical Community College Asheville, NC

Graphic Design and Print Specialist | February 2011- June 2013

Part time and full time graphic designer for large commercial print publications, in-house print publications and college photographer

Sharpshooter Imaging at Biltmore Estate Asheville, NC

Photographer/Lab Technician | June 2010 - February 2011

Full time portrait photographer, printer and salesperson for Biltmore Portraits

North Carolina State University Distance Education Learning and Technology

Applications (DELTA) Graphic Design Intern for online and distance education classes August 2007 - May 2009

PUBLICATIONS

The Mushroom Foraging Cookbook published in December of 2022

The North Carolina Fungi Watercolor Book published in May of 2021

“The Projected Landscape” Master of Fine Arts Thesis published in December, 2015

PRESS

Laurel of Asheville Feb 2021 issue, article on the WCU Faculty Biennial Exhibition
Amplifier Interview: Harmonizing with Nature: An Interview with Laura Sellers
<http://amplifiergso.com/harmonizing-with-nature-an-interview-with-laura-sellers/>

AWARDS

Haywood County Arts Council Artist Support Grant Recipient in 2021
Nominated for First Year Advocate Award for First Year Teachers at Western Carolina University
Juried into the Art Auction for the North Carolina Museum of Art in 2012
Excellence in Art and Design Award 2009 from North Carolina State University
Phi Beta Kappa Honors Society from North Carolina State University
Deans List every semester from Fall 2005 - Spring 2009 from North Carolina State University

EXHIBITIONS/COMMUNITY

Small Works | Big Impact collaborative exhibition at Momentum Gallery, November, 2022
Reviewing Black Mountain College featuring John Cage: Speaker at UNCA Reuters Center in Asheville, NC, October 2021
Warren Wilson College Faculty Biennial Exhibition in Swannanoa, NC, October, 2021
Revolve *Things That Go Bump in the Night* Collaborative Exhibition in the River Arts District Asheville, NC, October 2021
Western Carolina University Faculty Biennial in Cullowhee, NC January 2021
Art Garden AVL Quarantine Exhibition in Asheville, NC July, 2020
Level 42 Gallery Leap Year Collaborative Exhibition in Asheville, NC February, 2020
Warren Wilson College Faculty Biennial Exhibition in Swannanoa, NC, October, 2019
Ananda Salon Interactive Media and Painting Solo Exhibition in Asheville, NC, August, 2019
All Access AVL Exhibition at the Asheville Area Arts Council in Asheville, NC, September, 2019
Mission Hospital collaborative Local Artist Exhibition in Asheville, NC, July, 2019
Apollo's 50th Moon Landing Anniversary Exhibition in Black Mountain, NC, July, 2019
OBX ART TRUCK Collaborative Bed Gallery Exhibition in the Outer-banks, NC, May, 2019
Black Mountain College's re{Happening} #9 in Black Mountain, NC, March 2019
Western Carolina University Faculty Biennial Exhibition in Cullowhee, NC, January, 2019
Taylor Gallery Collaborative Exhibition in Asheville, NC, November, 2018
Also Gallery Online Solo Exhibition, November, 2018
Cancer Mural Consortium, collaborative mural at Mission Hospital in Asheville, NC, August, 2018
"Raw" All-female Collaborative Exhibition at the Satellite Gallery in Asheville, NC May, 2018
"Blow Ins II" Collaborative WCU Exhibition at 126 Gallery in Galway, Ireland, January, 2018
Paint Memphis 170-Artist Collaborative Mural in Memphis, TN, September, 2017
Harvest Records Solo Exhibition in West Asheville, NC, July, 2017
"Debut" Collaborative Exhibition at Push Gallery, downtown Asheville, NC, July, 2017
Cleveland County Arts Council WCU Graduate Student Collaborative Exhibition Shelby, NC July, 2017
Jackson County Arts Council Photography Solo Exhibition at the Sylva County Courthouse in Sylva, NC, January, 2017
International Collaborative "#AVLGLITCH" Exhibition at the Orange Space in the River Arts District Asheville, NC, July, 2016
Exhibition at the Collider in connection with the National Center for Environmental Education (NCEE) and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) in Asheville, NC in 2016 - Present
"Draw, We Draw, Draw What?" WCU MFA Collaborative Exhibition at the Bascom Museum in Highlands, NC in January, 2016

“The Projected Landscape” Thesis Exhibition at WCU Fine Art Museum in Cullowhee, NC,
October, 2015
“Whee Fresh” Collaborative Exhibition at the Asheville Area Arts Council in Asheville, NC, 2015
Collaborative Exhibition in the Asheville Regional Airport in Arden, NC, March, 2014
WCU MFA Collaborative Exhibition at the Bascom Museum in Highlands, NC, January 2014
“WCU MFA BFA” Collaborative Exhibition in the R.A.D. in Asheville, NC, May, 2014
Collaborative WCU MFA Exhibition at the Fatty Gallery in Sylva, NC, May, 2014
Solo Exhibition at the Colburn Earth Science Museum in Asheville, NC, 2012

REFERENCES

Ron Laboray - Thesis Committee Director and Associate Professor of Painting of the
School of Art and Design Faculty at WCU.

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Susan Martin - Adjunct Photography Professor at the School of Art and Design at WCU.

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Tom Ashcraft - Distinguished Professor of the School of Art and Design at WCU.

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