

# Lynn Benson

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## SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2018 "River Works," Travois, Kansas City, MO  
"Water Stories by Lynn Benson," Marianna Kistler Beach Museum of Art at Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas  
"River Compositions by Lynn Benson," The Volland Store Gallery, Alma, KS
- 2017 "Paper Rivers," Gillis Gallery, Columbus Park, Kansas City, Missouri
- 2015 "Waterplaces: 100 Works on Paper," Kansas City Design Center, Kansas City, Missouri  
"Flow.ers: Satellite Botanicals," South Branch Gallery, KCKPL, Kansas City, Kansas
- 2013 "Sidetrip," Kiosk Gallery, Kansas City, Missouri
- 2012 "Acid Wash: Playing with Consequences," Leedy-Voukos Art Center, Kansas City

## GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2018 "Run Riot," Plug Projects, Kansas City, MO  
KCAC's River Market Regional Exhibition, "Sounds of the City"; juror, Saralyn Reece Hardy, Director, Helen Foresman Spencer Museum of Art, The University of Kansas  
"2018 Kansas City Flatfiles," H&R Block Artspace, Kansas City Art Institute
- 2017 "H2O," Manifest Gallery, Cincinnati, Ohio  
"Tallgrass Artists Residency Group Exhibition," The Bank Art Space, Matfield Green, KS  
"Tributary @ la Esquina Gallery," Charlotte Street Foundation, Kansas City, Missouri  
"Order and Chaos," Chautauqua National Juried Exhibition, Giles Gallery, Eastern Kentucky University, Richmond, Kentucky
- 2016 "Personal is Political is Personal," 440 Gallery, Brooklyn, New York; juror, Sue Coe  
"2016 Kansas City Flatfiles," H&R Block Artspace, Kansas City Art Institute  
"Water Ecologies," Idaho State University, Pocatello, Idaho; juror, Basia Irland
- 2015 "Representational Art in the 21st Century," University of Hawaii at Hilo, University of Hawaii Summer Art Institute; juror, James Lancel McElhinney, NYC
- 2014 "Snap to Grid," Los Angeles Center for Digital Art, Los Angeles, California

- “Urban Suburban X: Perception Reflection,” Epsten Gallery, Overland Park, Kansas
- “2014 Kansas City Flatfiles,” H&R Block Artspace, Kansas City Art Institute
- 2013 “Money Exhibition,” Leedy-Voulikos Art Center, Kansas City, MO; P&M Artworks  
“Currents, Abstract,” Kiosk Gallery, Kansas City, MO
- 2012 “2012 Kansas City Flatfiles,” H&R Block Artspace, Kansas City Art Institute

#### PRESS/REVIEWS

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[www.kcstudio.org/digital-edition/archives](http://www.kcstudio.org/digital-edition/archives)
- Raab, Annie. “Lynn Benson Beautifully Maps our Ebbing Resources,” The Pitch, October 22-28, 2015 | Vol. 35 No. 17 (October 20, 2015, online)  
[Lynn Benson beautifully maps our ebbing resources | Art | The Pitch](http://www.thepitch.com/2015/10/20/lynn-benson-beautifully-maps-our-ebbing-resources-art-the-pitch)
- Schulman, Blair. “Reuse and Replenish: The Turn Toward Environmentally Conscious Art,” Hyperallergic, May 28, 2015  
[Reuse and Replenish: The Turn Toward Environmentally Conscious Art](http://hyperallergic.com/2015/05/28/reuse-and-replenish-the-turn-toward-environmentally-conscious-art/)
- 2012 Bembnister, Theresa. “Last Call: See These Artworks Before Their Exhibitions Close,” The Pitch, Vol. 31 No. 43 (April 26 - May 2, 2012), page 18  
[ISSUU - The Pitch: April 26, 2012 by SouthComm, Inc.](http://www.thepitch.com/2012/04/26/last-call-see-these-artworks-before-their-exhibitions-close/)

#### RELATED PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES (SELECTED)

- 2018 (Residency: “The Studios of Key West Artist Residency,” Key West, FL; mid-Dec to mid-Jan, 2019)
- Commission: Emprise Bank, Wichita, Kansas
- Purchase: Capitol Federal Hall, KU School of Business Art Collection, Lawrence, KS; (4 works)
- “The Art of Lynn Benson,” talk by curator Aileen June Wang, Marianna Kistler Beach Museum of Art at Kansas State University. Volland Store Gallery. (Transcription available)
- Artwork included in “Symphony in the Flint Hills Field Journal 2018”
- Presentation: Artist Talk, Beach Museum of Art, Manhattan, KS
- Panel Discussion: “Telling Water’s Story: Art, Science, and Narrative,” featuring “Rain” author, Cynthia Barnett, Peter Dorhout (VP for research at K-State and President of the American Chemical Society), and artist Lynn Benson. Beach Museum of Art, Manhattan, KS
- 2017 Commission: 2018 Donor Gift Print for Marianna Kistler Beach Museum of Art, Manhattan, KS, in collaboration with Tamarind Master Printer Aaron Shipps of Bedrock Art Editions, KCMO

Residency: "Tallgrass Artist Residency"; Volland, KS/ Matfield Green, KS:  
Presentation, Tallgrass Prairie National Preserve;  
Group exhibition, The Bank Artspace, Matfield Green;  
Presentation/symposium at Beach Museum of Art, Manhattan, KS

Radio Interview: KKFI 90.1 "Artspeak Radio" w/ Maria Vasquez Boyd / approx. 17 min,  
re: "Paper Rivers" solo show

Radio Interview: KCUR 89.3 "Central Standard" w/ Gina Kauffman re: "Tributary" group show

2016 Museum purchase: Marianna Kistler Beach Museum of Art, Manhattan, Kansas, purchases  
*Waterplaces*, a collection of 100 works on paper, for their permanent collection.

2015 Artist Talk and Panel Discussion revolving around water: Kansas City Design Center,  
co-sponsored by Mid-America Regional Council's Water Sustainability Education  
Committee. In support of *Waterplaces: 100 works on paper* exhibition.

Award/Grant: "Inspiration Grant" from ArtsKC - Regional Arts Council in support of  
*Waterplaces: 100 works on paper* exhibition.

Published writing (feature article): Lynn Benson. "Sidetrip," *The Hand: A Magazine for  
Reproduction-based Art*, Issue 9, July 2015, pages 12-13

Residency: "Escape to Create Artist Residency," Seaside, Florida.

Presentation: "The Waterplaces Project", Assembly Hall, Seaside, Florida

Presentation: Gulf Coast State College, Panama City, Florida

2014 (Only) Featured Artist/exhibitor for "One Water Leadership Summit" /U.S. Water Alliance,  
Westin Crown Center Hotel, Kansas City, MO, September 15-17, 2014

2013 Chicago Artist Retreat (one week), supported by Fellowship Award

2012 Invited artist participant, Critique Night #4, Plug Projects, Kansas City, Missouri

Published writing: Lynn Benson. "Acid Wash: Playing with Consequences," *Planet  
Kansas*, Kansas Sierra Club, April/May 2012, page 14

Juried into "Artist, Inc." professional development program, funded in part  
by Charlotte Street Foundation and ARTSKC, Regional Arts Council

2010 ((Setup studio in Kansas City to pursue fine art full-time))

2008 Curated "Steinberg: Drawings from the Hallmark Fine Art Collection," Creative  
Resources Gallery, Hallmark Cards, Inc., Kansas City, MO

2003 Curated "Barbie Unplugged," open call to (inhouse) artists, Creative Resources Gallery,  
Hallmark Cards, Inc., Kansas City, MO

PREVIOUSLY: Worked for 20 years at Hallmark Cards, Inc., in the Creative Research Library, selecting books and  
research from around the globe for the entire creative staff. Travelled yearly for research, NYC  
primarily; curated two in-house exhibitions (above). Left in order to pursue my current art path!

EDUCATION University of Missouri, Columbia—post-graduate work in studio art  
DePauw University, Greencastle, Indiana, BA - Art  
Stephens College, Columbia, Missouri, AA

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