Liz WolfSculptor

Bio

Liz received her MFA in sculpture at Northern Illinois University. As far back as she can remember her artistic mind intertwined with her everyday life. She spent thirty years in Chicago as a working artist before moving to her beloved Santa Fe in 1997. Liz is represented by Manitou Galleries in Santa Fe, NM, and Mockingbird Gallery in Bend, OR. 2020 will be her fourteenth year participating in CowgirlUp! at The Desert Caballeros Western Museum.

Essay

If I had to choose one word to describe my artwork it would be "animism", one of man's oldest beliefs that in every object a spirit or soul exists. I want to infuse my sculptures with a quietness about them and a spirit within them so they create their own energy and have the ability to communicate. When I am sculpting I feel the sculpture take part in its own creation. I listen and we continue to work together. As an artist I feel grateful to see the world beyond its norm. My life as an artist is fulfilling and I will continue to create sculptures in bronze, clay and wood as long as I can, for every day is a new day with new beginnings.

Education

1972-1974

Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, Illinois, M.F.A.

1967-1971

Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, Illinois, B.F.A.

1969

The Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago. Illinois

1963-1967

University of Minnesota High School, Minneapolis, MN

Exhibitions

2021

Two Person Show Mockingbird Gallery Bend, Oregon

2020

Cowgirl Up Invitational Desert Caballeros Western Museum Wickenburg, Arizona March 23 - May 10, 2020

American Women Artists National Exhibition Booth Museum Cartersville, Georgia May 23 - August 23, 2020

Three Person Show Manitou Galleries Santa Fe, New Mexico August 14 - 30, 2020

2013

Cowgirl Up Invitational Desert Caballeros Western Museum Wickenburg, Arizona March 24 - May 5, 2013 Three Person Show Manitou Galleries Santa Fe, New Mexico July 5 - 17, 2013

Visions of the Southwest Arizona Sonora Desert Museum, Iron Wood Gallery Tucson, Arizona November 3, 2012 - January 6, 2013

2012

AWA Annual Juried Competition and Members Exhibition K. Newby Gallery Tubac, Arizona November 2 - 25, 2012

Glass, Wood & Bronze Altamira Fine Art Gallery Jackson, Wyoming August 16 - 28, 2012

Three Person Show Manitou Galleries Santa Fe, New Mexico July 6 - 18, 2012

Cowgirl Up Invitational Desert Caballeros Western Museum Wickenburg, Arizona March 25 - May 6, 2012

2011

AWA Annual Juried Competition and Members Exhibition Huff Harrington Gallery Atlanta, Georgia October 25 - November 3, 2011

One Women Show Manitou Galleries Santa Fe, New Mexico July 1 - 12, 2011 Cowgirl Up Invitational Desert Caballeros Western Museum Wickenburg, Arizona March 28 - May 2, 2011

2010

Bruce White School of Sculpture Austin Peay State University Clarksville, Tennessee October 14 - November 3, 2010

One Women Show Manitou Galleries Santa Fe, New Mexico October 1 - 13, 2010

Cowgirl Up Invitational Desert Caballeros Western Museum Wickenburg, Arizona March 25 - May 3, 2010

AWA Member's Show and Competition Southwest Gallery Dallas, Texas October 9 - November 9, 2010

The Women's Show Goldenstein Gallery Sedona, Arizona November 5 - 28, 2010

The Art of Design Adagio Galleries Palm Desert, California May 6 - 19, 2010

2009

One Women Show Manitou Galleries Santa Fe, New Mexico October 2 - 30, 2009 Cowgirl Up Invitational
Desert Caballeros Western Museum
Wickenburg, Arizona,
March 27 - May 3, 2009
Museum Purchase Award 2009
First Place Award for Three Dimensional 2009

AWA Annual Juried Competition and Members Exhibition Galerie Gabrie Pasadena, California December 12 - 27, 2009

2008

Chi Art as a Healing Medium Goldenstein Gallery Sedona, Arizona November 7 - 28, 2008

One Woman Show Manitou Galleries Santa Fe, New Mexico October 3 - 15, 2008

Cowgirl Up Invitational Desert Caballeros Western Museum Wickenburg, Arizona March 28 - May 24, 2008

One Woman Show Victoria Boyce Gallery Scottsdale, Arizona March 27 - April 23, 2008

AWA Annual Juried Competition and Members Exhibition LeKae Gallery Scottsdale, Arizona December 5, 2007 - January 5, 2008

2007

Chi Art as a Healing Medium Goldenstein Gallery Sedona, Arizona November 2 - 30, 2007 Private Conversation Victoria Boyce Gallery Scottsdale, Arizona March 22 - April 19, 2007

Cowgirl Up Invitational Desert Caballeros Western Museum Wickenburg, Arizona March 24 - May 3, 2007 People's Choice Award 2007

Group Show Adagio Galleries Palm Springs, California April 26 - June 22, 2007

One Woman Show Manitou Galleries Santa Fe, New Mexico October 5 - 18, 2007

2006

One Woman Show Manitou Galleries Santa Fe, New Mexico October 6 - 18, 2006

One Woman Show Victoria Boyce Gallery Scottsdale, Arizona December 29, 2005 - January 18, 2006

2005

Wolf and Greyshoes Goldenstein Gallery Sedona, Arizona November 3 - 15, 2005

One Woman Show Manitou Galleries Santa Fe, New Mexico September 2 - 14, 2005

2004

One Woman Show Manitou Galleries Santa Fe, New Mexico September 17 - 29, 2004

2003

One Woman Show Manitou Galleries Santa Fe, New Mexico September 12 - 24, 2003

One Woman Show Victoria Boyce Gallery Scottsdale, Arizona March 4 - 22, 2003

2002

From Within: One Woman Show Victoria Boyce Gallery Tuscon, Arizona April 12 - May 26, 2002

Ravens in Winter Guadalupe Fine Arts Santa Fe, New Mexico February 22 - March 18, 2002

2001

Transitions: One Woman Show Munson Gallery Santa Fe, New Mexico November 16 - 30, 2001

A Show of Colors Munson Gallery Santa Fe, New Mexico November 9 - 11, 2001

Horse Show Munson Gallery Santa Fe, New Mexico April 20 - May 11, 2001 Guardian Figures: One Woman Show Victoria Boyce Gallery Scottsdale, Arizona February 1 - 26, 2001

1998

Beyond Dolls II Dearing Gallery Taos, New Mexico August 8 - September 8, 1998

1996

One Person Show Betts Gallery Santa Fe, New Mexico July 19 - August 13, 1996

Living With Art Bruce Kapson Gallery Santa Monica, California September 20 - November 15, 1996

1995

Art At Ease August House Studio Chicago, Illinois November 1 - 25, 1995

1994

Artist Boxes
Edith Lambert Gallery
Santa Fe, New Mexico
November 26 - December 26, 1994

1993

One Person Show Elaine Horwitch Gallery Santa Fe, New Mexico October 15 - November 10, 1993

1992

One Person Show Elaine Horwitch Gallery Santa Fe, New Mexico September 18 - October 6, 1992 Ceremony Young Gallery Los Gatos, California May 21 - June 22, 1992

1991

Small Things, A Group Show of Chicago Artists Northern Illinois University Art Museum Gallery Chicago, Illinois December 14 - February 16, 1991

1990

One Person Show Elaine Horwitch Gallery Santa Fe, New Mexico September 14 - October 16, 1990

The Creation of the World, Drawings and Sculpture Lakota Gallery Santa Monica, California July 21 - August 10, 1990

1988

Chicago Art South Bend Art Center, Warner Gallery South Bend, Indiana May 22 - July 3, 1988

Chicago International New Art Forms Navy Pier Chicago, Illinois September 24 - 26, 1988

An Exhibition of Sculpture Northern Illinois University Art Gallery Chicago, Illinois January 15 - February 13, 1988

1987

Spirit Visions Elaine Horwitch Gallery Sedona, Arizona October 4 - 22, 1987 The Modern Mask Elaine Horwitch Gallery Scottsdale, Arizona October 1 - 7, 1987

20th Century Decorative and Applied Arts Navy Pier Chicago, Illinois September 18 - 21, 1987

Myth and Magic Evanston Art Center Evanston, Illinois May 2 - July 3, 1987

Artagogo Hyde Park Art Center Chicago, Illinois April 5 - May 12, 1987

Two Person Show Objects Gallery Chicago, Illinois March 20 - April18, 1987

Masks Natalini Gallery Chicago, Illinois February 6 - 28, 1987

1986

Two Person Show Halsted Gallery Chicago, Illinois May 9 - June 11, 1986

Masks Natalini Gallery, Chicago, Illinois February 7 - March 1, 1986

1985

Survey Hyde Park Art Center Chicago, Illinois May 19 - June 22, 1985

1984

Three Dimensional Concepts Countryside Art Center Arlington Heights, Illinois December 1 - 29, 1984

Old Orchard Art Festival 1984 North Shore Art League Skokie, Illinois September 8 - 9, 1984

1983

Two Person Show Halsted Gallery Chicago, Illinois September 23 - October 12, 1983

1981

Two Person Show Halsted Gallery Chicago, Illinois June 15 - July 6, 1981

1977

76th Exhibition by Artists of Chicago and Vicinity The Art Institute of Chicago Chicago, Illinois February 19 - March 27, 1977

1976

Summer Exhibition Tria Gallery Ellison Bay, Wisconsin June - September, 1976

New Horizons in Art 1976 Mid-Continental Plaza Chicago, Illinois May 14 - June 18, 1976

Two Woman Show DePaul University Chicago, Illinois March 29 - April 16, 1976 Chicago Art
Union Gallery, Purdue University
Lafayette, Indiana
March 22 - April 11, 1976

Chicago Sculpture University of Wisconsin at Superior Superior, Wisconsin March 8 - 12, 1976

1975

Headdress John Michael Kohler Arts Center Sheboygan, Wisconsin November 16 - December 30, 1975

Northern Illinois Prairie Sculptors 1 Illinois Center Chicago, Illinois September 1 - October 10, 1975

Group Show Artemesia Gallery Chicago, Illinois July 22 - August 9, 1975

Non-Coast Flatland Sculpture Des Moines, Iowa March - April, 1975

51st Annual Rockford and Vicinity Show Burpee Art Museum Rockford, Illinois February 23 - March 23, 1975 Honorable Mention, Sculpture

1974

One Woman Show Graduate Gallery Northern Illinois University DeKalb, Illinois December 1 - 7, 1974

Three-Man Show Jans Gallery Des Moines, Iowa June 4 - 22, 1974 Illinois Artist 1974 Illinois State University Normal, Illinois March 3 - April 7, 1974

Non-Coast Flatland Sculpture Wichita Art Museum Wichita, Kansas April 7 - May 5, 1974

1970-1974

Northern Illinois University Student Show 1974 Purchase Award 1973, 1971, 1970 Sculpture Award

Public Collections

- Desert Caballeros Western Museum, Wickenburg, Arizona
- Arkansas Art Center, Little Rock, Arkansas
- State of Illinois, Starved Rock, Starved Rock State Park, Illinois
- · Great American Art Gallery, Atlanta, Georgia
- Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, Illinois
- Charles A. Wustum Museum, Racine, Wisconsin
- J. Landis Martin, Private Collection, Arizona

Acknowledgements

2014

Western Art Collector Magazine

Presented Liz with the Award of Excellence at the Cowgirl Up Awards Ceremony. The award was or the best body of work at the show, that embodied the mission of the show.

2007

Invited as a Fellow Master Signature Member of the AWA (American Women Artists). This Fellow Master Signature level is the most prestigious of the membership levels; is comprised of well-established women artists and is by invitation only.

Press

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Representation

Manitou Galleries 123 W. Palace Ave. Santa Fe, NM 87501 (505) 986-0440

Mockingbird Gallery 869 NW Wall St Ste 100 Bend, OR 97703 (541) 388-2107