

Education

MFA Northern Illinois University, School of Art, Photography BA Michigan State University

Grants, Awards & Residencies

2008 Ragdale Foundation Residency , Lake Forest, IL
 2006 Ragdale Foundation Residency , Lake Forest, IL
 2005 Westmoreland Art Nationals Exhibition, *Craft of the Year Award*
 2004 Women's Work, cash award by jurors
 1998 Illinois Arts Council Fellowship in Photography Finalist Award
 Purchase award for Wilma D. Stricklin Award, Northern Illinois University
 1996 Illuminance, 96, Lubbock TX, cash award by juror Thomas Southall
 Women's Work, Woodstock, IL, Artistic Merit, cash award by jurors E. Altman and M.L. Zelazny
 1993 Selected for Illinois Arts Council 1994-96 Arts-In-Education Roster
 1991 Illuminance '91, Lubbock, TX, cash award by juror Betty Hahn
 1990 Photography '90, Jenkintown, PA, cash award by juror Duane Michals

Solo Exhibitions

2009 STILL/MOTION, ARC Gallery, Chicago, IL
 2005 FAMILY SECRETS, ARC Gallery, Chicago, IL
 2003 BARBARA STEWART THOMAS, PHOTOGRAPHS, The House, DeKalb, IL
 1996 WHAT HAS BEEN, ARC Gallery, Chicago, IL
 1994 E.J. Belloq Gallery, Louisiana Tech University, Ruston, LA
 1993 Triangle Gallery, Chicago, IL
 TAKE AWAY THE PICTURES AND WHAT DO YOU SEE? ARC Gallery, Chicago, IL
 1992 Lightfantastic Gallery, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI
 1991 Infinity Gallery, Governors State University, Park, IL
 1990 SELF-DECEPTIONS, ARC Gallery, Chicago, IL
 1989 School of Fine Arts, Washington University, St. Louis, MO
 WOMEN: IMAGE AND MYTH, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL

Selected Group Exhibitions

2008 TRADITION AND TRANSFORMATION: Art by Jewish Women, Women Made Gallery, Chicago, IL
 2007 SYMBOLISM, MYTH, AND RITUAL, Koehline Museum of Art, Oakton Community College, Des Plaines, IL
 CCT Gallery, Northwestern University Settlement Association, Chicago, IL
 2006-07 FOCUS FIVE, Illinois State Museum Chicago Gallery, Chicago, IL
 2006 ROCKFORD ART MUSEUM MIDWESTERN EXHIBITION, juror: Gregory Knight, Chicago Dept. Cultural Affairs
 WESTMORELAND ART NATIONALS, Latrobe, PA & Westmoreland Community College, Youngwood, PA
 WCA 2006 MIDWEST REGIONAL , ARC Gallery, Chicago, IL, jurors. E. Spiess-Ferris, M. Murphy-Rabb, M. Buchen
 2005-06 BARSEMA ALUMNI & VISITORS CENTER GALLERY, Northern Illinois University. DeKalb, IL
 2005 CWCA Juried Members Exhibition, Ravenswood Art Walk, Peter Jones Gallery, Chicago, juror: Peter Jones
 WESTMORELAND ART NATIONALS EXHIBITION, Arts & Heritage Festival, Latrobe, PA
 WESTMORELAND ART NATIONALS, Westmoreland Community College, Youngwood, PA
 WOMEN'S WORKS 18TH Annual Exhibition, Old Courthouse, Woodstock, IL
 DIVERSITY & SPIRIT, Chicago Women's Caucus for Art juried show, Womanmade Gallery, Chicago, IL
 ARC AFFILIATES EXHIBITION, ARC Gallery, Chicago, IL
 2004 10TH ANNIVERSARY EXHIBITION, Center for Book & Paper Arts, Columbia College, Chicago. IL
 NIU FACULTY EXHIBITION, Norris Center, St. Charles, IL
 WOMEN'S WORKS 17th Annual Exhibition, Old Courthouse, Woodstock, IL
 PHOTO ART '04 Norris Cultural Arts Center, St. Charles, IL.
 2003 WOMEN'S WORKS 16th Annual Exhibition,
 2002 DEUS EX MACHINA, Bradley University, juror: John Paul Caponigro, internet exhibition: <http://tinyurl.com/r8fzo>
 ILLUMINANCE 97, Fine Arts Center, Lubbock, TX
 1998 1998 STATELINE VICINITY EXHIBITION, Rockford Art Museum, juror: Lynne Warren, MCA, Chicago
 THEN & NOW, CWCA NIU Gallery, Chicago, jurors: Lucinda Barnes, Judith Kirchner, Peggy Doherty
 WOMEN IN PHOTOGRAPHY, Ohio State University Art Gallery, Newark Campus
 1997 COMING HOME, Mesa Arts Center, Mesa, AZ

- WOMEN'S CAUCUS FOR ART 25th ANNIIV. SHOW, Artemisia Gallery, Chicago, IL, juror: Faith Ringgold
 WOMEN'S WORKS 10th ANNIVERSARY EXHIBITION, Old Courthouse, Woodstock, IL
 1996 SOHO PHOTO GALLERY PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION, New York, NY, juror: Susan Kismaric
 REFRAMING TRADITION, Creative Arts Workshop, New Haven CT, jurors: Susan Kismaric, Museum
 of Modern Art and Todd Papageorge, Yale University
 1994 Chicago Women's Caucus for Art Exhibition, Hinsdale Center for the Arts, Hinsdale, IL
 1993 BLK & WHT, Chicago Women's Caucus for Art
 ALTERED IMAGES, Contemporary Artcenter, Arlington Hts., IL, juror: Shashi Caudill
 WARM ANNUAL JURIED EXHIBITION, Minneapolis College of Art & Design, juror: Nancy Spero
 MAGIC SILVER SHOW, University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, IA
 CWCA JURIED EXHIBITION, Chicago, IL, jurors: P. Bramson, I. Johnson, Indira Johnson and Joanna Pinskey
 1992 WOMEN AND SURREALISM, 333 Wacker Gallery, Chicago, IL, juried by Mary Jane Jacob
 PHOTONATIONAL 1, Michigan Friends of Photography traveling exhibition, jurors: Robert Heinecken and Joyce Neimanas
 1991 US BIENNIAL IV, University of Oklahoma Museum of Art
 ILLUMINANCE '91, Lubbock, TX, juror: Betty Hahn
 1990 NORRIS GALLERY 1990 JURIED VICINITY EXHIBITION, St. Charles, IL
 PHOTOGRAPHY '90, Jenkintown, PA, juror: Duane Michals
 GALLERY TEN REGIONAL ART EXHIBITION, Rockford, IL, juror: Ingrid Fassbender
 Photowork '90, University of Miami, Coral Gables, FL, juror: Ted Hartwell
 1989 PHOTOSPIVA, Spiva Art Center, Joplin, MO
 NORRIS GALLERY 1989 JURIED VICINITY EXHIBITION, St. Charles, IL
 CURRENT WORKS 1989, Kansas City, MO, juror: Thomas Southall
 LIGHT SENSITIVE X, Gainesville, FL, juror: Evon Streetman
 PHOTOWORK '89, University of Miami, juror: Barbara Crane
 1987 PHOTO 87, Race Street Gallery, Grand Rapids, MI
 1986 PHOTOSPIVA, Spiva Art Center, Joplin, MO
 HEARTLAND OF AMERICAN VISION, Artlink, Ft. Wayne, IN

Articles, Reviews & Mentions

- 2006 Michael A. Weinstein, "Barbara Stewart Thomas," *New City*, 10/5/06 (Chicago)
 Lauren Weinberg, "Focus 5," *Time Out Chicago*, 12/17/06
 "Take Five," *Where (Chicago)*, 12/06
 "Book of the week secrets revealed." *Blurberate Blog*, <http://blurberatiblog.com>
 2004 Kristin Gehring, "On the Scene," *Chicago Journal*, 10/7/04 (Photograph.)
 2003 Jessica King, "Through the eyes of a camera," *Northern Star*, 4/24/03 (DeKalb, IL)
 1996 Michael A. Weinstein, "Barbara Stewart Thomas", *New City*, 11/7/96 (Chicago)
 1995 Michael A. Weinstein, "Carrie Notari, Barbara Thomas, Christina Witnik, "Photographs: Inside and
 Out", *New City*, 2/2/95 (Chicago)
 1994 Michael A. Weinstein, "Barbara Thomas "What's Right with this Picture?", *New City*, 7/7//94 (Chicago)
 Women in the Arts", *Chicago Artists' News*, 3/94 (photograph published)
 1993 Abigail Foerstner, "Photography: Array of thematic images hangs on ARC Gallery walls," *Chicago Tribune*, 3/12/93
 1991 Abigail Foerstner, "Photography: The medium's a winner in ARC national exhibit," *Chicago Tribune*, 2/8/91 (as Co-Chair)
 1990 Michael A. Weinstein, "Barbara Thomas," *New City*, 10/18//90 (Chicago)
Chicago Tribune, Friday Section, 10/5/9(photo.pub.)

Selected Publications

- 2009 Photograph published in *Cities: Chicago: Yesterday & Today*, Publications International, Ltd.
 Still/Moving, Blurb.com 2009
 2007 *Family Secrets*, Blurb.com, 2006
Symbolism, Myth & Ritual Catalog, Koehonline Museum of Art, Oakton Community College, Des Plaines, IL
 2006 Cover Photograph, *A Howl for Mayflower* by Dan Gilmore, Imago Press
 1998 Stateline Vicinity Exhibition Catalog. Rockford Art Museum, mention by Lynne Warren, p. 5
Then & Now, Chicago Women's Caucus for Art 25th Anniversary Exhibition Catalog
 1996 Illuminance '96 Exhibition Catalogue, Lubbock TX
 1993 Photograph published in *American Voice* #32, Louisville, KY
 Barbara Thomas, "Women: Image and Myth", in *TriQuarterly* #87, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL (essay and photos)
 Photograph published in *Before We Reach the Sky*, Chicago, IL
ARC Gallery Twentieth Anniversary Catalogue, Chicago, IL
 Photograph published in Robert Hirsch, *Exploring Color Photography*, p. 263, 2nd Edition, William C. Brown & Benchmark
 Publishers

Collections

Museum of Contemporary Art, Artists' Books Collection, Chicago, IL
Joan Flasch Artists' Book Collection, John M. Flaxman Library, School of the Art Institute, Chicago, IL
Asher Library, Spertus Institute, Chicago, IL
Rare Books & Special Collections, Founders Library, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL
Kresge Museum, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI

Teaching and Professional Positions

2008 Instructor of Photography, Northern Illinois University
1990-06 Instructor of Photography, Northern Illinois University
1998-01 Gallery Director, Kishwaukee College, Malta, IL
1991-02 Instructor, Kishwaukee College, Malta, IL
1989-90 Instructor, Elgin Community College, Elgin, IL
1988-89 Instructor, Rockford College, Rockford, IL
1987-89 Teaching Assistant, Photography, Northern Illinois University

Panels, Presentations & Professional Activities

2007 Guest Speaker, History of Photography, Oakton Community College, Skokie, IL
Gallery Talk, *Focus Five*, Illinois State Museum Chicago Gallery, Chicago, IL
2005 Panel Speaker, "Moving From Slides to Digital," Chicago Artists' Coalition & Chicago Women's Caucus for Art, Flatfile Gallery, Chicago IL
1998 Executive Board., Chicago Women's Caucus for Art
1995 Curator, PORTRAIT/SELF-PORTRAIT, Chicago Women's Caucus for Art, ARC Gallery, Chicago, IL
1994 Panel Speaker, "What's Right With this Picture?" NIU Gallery, Chicago, IL
Panel Speaker, "Co-op Galleries", College Art Association National Conference, New York, NY
Presentation, Celebration of Culture, Waukegan High School, Waukegan, IL
1991&93 Co-Chair, NATIONAL EXPOSURE II, ARC Gallery, Chicago, IL
1991-93 Curator, Invitational Galleries, ARC Gallery, Chicago, IL Executive Board, ARC Gallery, Chicago, IL