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EDUCATION:

2010 MFA in Painting: School of Art University of Tennessee, Knoxville

2005 BA Florida Gulf Coast University, Fort Myers, FL.

Upcoming:

Solo: David Lusk Gallery, Nashville (November 2026)

Solo: Colloquia Gallery, Woodstock, VA (July 2027)

Recent:

Atlanta Art Fair Oct. 1-4

Award: CECA Tennessee Artist Fellowship

Invitation Pentaculum at Arrowmont School of Craft

SOLO EXHIBITIONS:

2024 Jus Piddlin: The Browsing Room Gallery: Nashville, TN

2023 Just Saying; Coop Gallery, Nashville

2015 I Bet You Think This Show is About You, Blend Gallery: Nashville, TN

2013 Inner Compositions, Knoxville, TN

2011 Layered, Knoxville, TN

2010 Home Sweet Home, Ewing Gallery, Knoxville, TN

2008 Intimate Stories: Gallery 1010 Knoxville,

2007 Alterations, Gallery, McMinnville, TN

2005 Internal Me, Florida Gulf Coast University Gallery, Fort Myers, FL

TWO/THREE PERSON EXHIBITIONS

2026

Red Branch Review Catalog Artists, Carson-Newman University, TN

2024 Note to Self: Wasmer Gallery, Fort Myers, FL

2013 Layered and Built, A1 Arts Lab, Knoxville, TN

Layered and Built, Majestic Gallery, Athens, OH

The Aftermath, Fluorescent Gallery, Knoxville, TN

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS:

2026 Patchwork: Kinhouse Gallery, Fort Wayne, IN (Oct 2026)

I Got Something To Say: David Lusk Gallery, Nashville TN

In our place: Red Arrow Gallery, Nashville, TN

In her place: Frist Art Museum, Nashville, TN: Curator: Katie Delmez

I like your work: winter exhibition catalog curated by Jared Linge

2025 Aesthetics of Power: Arc Gallery, Chicago

Partisan: David Lusk Gallery, Nashville, TN: Auction to raise money for Tennessee Rise

Ancestral Lines: Coral Springs Museum of Art, Coral Springs, FL

Art Fields: Lake City, SC

2024 Looking In/Looking Out: Conversations with Artists: online:
<https://www.conversationswithartists.com/looking-in-looking-out>
 Coined in the South: Mint Museum, Charlotte, NC
 Hot Summer Nights: Red Arrow Gallery: Nashville, TN
 Euclidea: Gallery 56: Nashville, TN. Curator: Anna McKeown
 National Juried Exhibition at Gallery 130: Oxford, Ms
 Inner Sanctuaries: Strata Gallery, Santa Fe, NM Juror: Stephanie J. Woods

2023 Quilts Unlimited: View, Valley Forge, NY
 Artfields: Lake City, NC
 Text/Message: Shoebox Projects, online <https://shoeboxprojects.com/text-message/>
 Context II: Art Fluent: online <https://www.art-fluent.com/context2>

2022: Number INC Art of the South: Zeitgeist Gallery, Nashville, TN
 TEDX Nashville: Unconventional art exhibition: Schermerhorn Symphony: Nashville, TN
 Nashville Art Teachers: Beyond the Classroom: Frist Art Museum: Nashville, TN
 Dogwood arts regional art exhibition: Knoxville, TN

2021 Context: Art Fluent: online <https://www.art-fluent.com/context>

2020 Textured II: Envision Arts: online <https://www.envisionartshow.com/textured-ii>

2017 Listen: Snap Gallery, Nashville, TN
 32nd Annual Positive/Negative National Juried Art Exhibition: Tipton Gallery, Johnson City, TN
 20/20: FGCU Gallery, Fort Myers, FL

2016 Encore: Ewing Gallery, Knoxville, TN
 Modular Art Pod Exhibition: OZ Arts Nashville, TN
 Quilt: Traditional/Not Traditional: Bertha V.B Lederer Gallery, Suny Geneseo
 Gravity of the Heart: Art Brokers Gallery, San Rafael, CA

2015 2nd Annual Art of the South: Juried Exhibition, Memphis College of Art, Memphis, TN
 Stitch: Clay-Pool Young Art Gallery, Morehead, KY
 The Artist Alphabet: Ground Floor Gallery, Nashville, TN

2014 Artists Collectives Exhibit: Emporium Center for Arts and Culture, Knoxville, TN
 You: A1 Arts Lab and Center for Creative Minds, Knoxville, TN
 Art Source: University of Tennessee Downtown Gallery, Knoxville, TN

2013 Artists Collectives Exhibit: Emporium Center for Arts and Culture, Knoxville, TN
 Work Friends: 1324 Art Space, Knoxville, TN
 Elaborated Surface: Ground Floor Gallery, Nashville, TN
 Members Exhibition: A1 Arts Lab, Knoxville, TN
 Art Source: University of Tennessee Downtown Gallery, Knoxville, TN

2012 The Found Art Project: The Fiber Arts Exhibition, Raymond S. Wilkes Gallery for the Visual Arts, Lancaster, OH (Invitational)
 TEA Member Art Exhibition: Leu Visual Art Building, Belmont University, Nashville, TN (Juried)
 Workhorse Collective, Lox Salon, Knoxville, TN
 Amalgam: Fluorescent Gallery, Knoxville, TN
 Elaborated Surface:, Pellissippi Community College, Oak Ridge, TN

2011 Creatures Great and Small, Work Horse Artist Collective, The Lunchbox, Knoxville, TN
 The Aftermath: Fluorescent Gallery, Knoxville, TN
 Point Time: AVA Gallery, Chattanooga, TN
 Just What We Can Become Here: Fluorescent Gallery, Knoxville, TN

TEA Member Art Exhibition: Leu Visual Art Building, Belmont University, Nashville, TN
 Pattern Play:, Living Arts and Science Center, Lexington, KY
 Point Time: William King Museum, Abingdon, VA (Invitational)
 Point Time: Slocumb Gallery, Johnson City, TN (Invitational)
 12X12X12: Todd Gallery, Murfreesboro, TN (Juried)
 High School Teachers Exhibition: Pearlman Gallery, Art Academy of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH
2010 1078 Gallery Film Festival 2010, 1078 Gallery, Chico, California
 Reconfigured: An A&A Material Exchange, Gallery 1010, Knoxville TN
2009 2nd Annual Narrative Short Film Festival: California State University, Chico, California (Juried)
 New Directions: Video Artists Explore Southern Identity Cheekwood Botanical Gardens and Museum of Art, Nashville, TN (Juried)
 Knack: Cookie Aytes Elliot Art Education Gallery, Knoxville, TN (Juried)
 Seven Times Standard: Gallery 1010, Knoxville, TN
 The Formers: Florida Gulf Coast University Gallery, Fort Myers, FL
 Aegis First Graduate Student Biennial: Hite Gallery, Louisville, KY (Faculty Committee Award) (Juried)
 Dixie Highway: Reed Gallery, Univ. of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH
 61st Annual Student Competition: Ewing Gallery of Art and Architecture, University of Tennessee, Knoxville (Juried)
2007 Real Live Interaction, A1 Arts Lab, Knoxville, TN
 Graduate Painters: Fluorescent Gallery, Knoxville, TN
 Hole Shot: Gallery 1010, Knoxville, TN
 2nd Year Graduate Preview: Gallery 1010, Knoxville, TN
 Knoxville Museum of Art Open Screening: Knoxville, TN
 60th Annual Student Competition:" Ewing Gallery of Art and Architecture, Univ. of Tennessee, Knoxville (Juried) (Materials Award)
 Hand-Held Film Festival, Downtown West Cinema, Knoxville, TN (Juried)
 1st Year Graduate Preview, Gallery 1010, Knoxville, TN
2005 Atlantic Center of the Arts 16th Annual Florida Student Exhibition: New Smyrna Beach, FL (Juried)
 Juried Student Exhibition: Florida Gulf Coast University Art Gallery, Fort Myers, FL
 2004 Juried Student Exhibition: Florida Gulf Coast University Art Gallery, Fort Myers, FL

REVIEWS, CITATIONS, & MEDIA:

2025:

Jody Hays: Podcast, Wed. Visual Quitter [Episode 36: Briena Harmening](#)
 Red Branch Review Issue No. 4 Art, Interviews, Poetry, and Pose. 2025
 Mineral House Media Digital Artist Residency: @mineralhousemedia (2 week digital residency)
 Collins, Jody, interviewer. Briena Harmening: Text based artist, Episode 188, Ramblinman Podcast. Spotify. February 4, 2025

<https://open.spotify.com/episode/1kfO79rXSSVhXIFOtxopmb?si=tp2dfFJMRVOXYTx2UrWkqQ>

2024: Mitchell, Mike, Interviewer. "Conversations with Briena Harmening, Drawing South Podcast. Spotify, June 18 2024.

<https://creators.spotify.com/pod/show/drawing-south/episodes/Conversation-with-Briena-Harmening-e211ql0>

2023

"New Discoveries", by Laura Huntson Hunter, Nashville Scene. December 28th 2023

https://www.nashvillescene.com/arts_culture/coverstory/new-discoveries-of-2023/article_a7a41b5a-a049-11ee-ad1e-af808faca103.html

"Sharing a love for quilting in Old Forge" by

BY TODD MOE (WEEKDAY MORNING HOST AND PRODUCER) , IN OLD FORGE, NY

<https://www.northcountrypublicradio.org/news/story/48687/20231027/sharing-a-love-for-quilting-in-old-forge>

2022

[Beyond the classroom: Nashville art teachers' work on display at the Frist, by Zach Hill: Main Street Nashville, March 4th 2022](#)

2016:

Best of Nashville - Writer's Choice Award, "Best Use of Peeps - The Peeps Pod at Modular Art Pods", The Nashville Scene, Nashville, TN, 2016

"Most Original" and "Best Soundtrack", Modular Art Pod Awards (The Poddys), Nashville, TN

2015

"Art of the South": Wayne White and Number create an exhibit, [denise](#)

[stewart-sanabria.blogspot.com](#), by Denise Stewart-Sanabria, Sunday, May 31st 2015

The Artist's Alphabet at Ground Floor Gallery, A Nashville Scene Arts and Culture Blog, Erica Ciccarone, Monday, January 19th 2015

"I bet you think this show is about you," [Blend Studio: June, 27th, 2015](#)

2009

Young Video Artists Focus on Southernness, The Tennessean, MiChelle Jones, December 27, 2009

Around the world in 10 Short Films, The Orion, Joe Hersch, November 11, 2009

www.theorion.com/entertainment/around-the-world-in-ten-days-1.892305

Canvas of Life, *Pentacle Magazine*, Summer 2009 pp. 34-36

2008

60 Word/Min Art Critic, (review) by Lori Waxman: *Quarterly Journal of Art and Culture*, Published by the Art Gallery of Knoxville, TN

60 Word/Min Art Critic, by Lori Waxman:

www.metropulse.com/photos/galleries/66-words-minute-art-reviews

LECTURES:Panels:

2026 Artist panel talk: In Our Place: Red Arrow Gallery, Nashville, TN

2012

Tusculum College, Knoxville, TN

2009

Tennessee State University, Nashville, TN