

Carolyn Goodridge

Bio

Carolyn Sharon Goodridge, born on October 21, 1960, in Port of Spain, Trinidad, West Indies, immigrated to the U.S. in 1963. Goodridge was brought up in a Pentecostal environment and later became widely read in Eastern philosophies. Goodridge landed in the Kwan Um School of Zen, residing at their Chogye International Zen Center in New York by age 19. The late Zen Master Seung Sahn Sunim taught the artist about “Zen mind.” Her art work is broadly inspired by these teachings.

Goodridge received her BFA in Painting from the University of Florida in 1993, and a MFA in Painting from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill in 1997. Goodridge is inspired by color field artists Helen Frankenthaler, Mark Tobey, Mark Rothko and Clyfford Still, Hans Hofmann, German Expressionist Vassily Kandinsky, and artwork on dreams and the collective unconscious by Paul Klee.

Dimensions of Being series follows *Zen of Zero Point*, *Age of Enlightenment*, and *Om*, *Cosmology of Now* series, all inspired by ideas and theories of Masaru Emoto's water messages; Edward Maryon's Marcotone Sound Color Theory, and Rupert Sheldrake's morphic resonance theory. Some paintings are visualizations attempting to realize the nature of matter and personal reality.

Education

University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
Master of Fine Arts - 1997
University of Florida, Gainesville
Bachelor of Fine Arts - December, 1993, Cum Laude

Work Experience

Founder, Executive Director

Art Impact USA, Inc.
Washington, DC
2005 to Present

- Acting Executive Director at Art Impact USA, a non-profit organization. Talented Artist & Designer, Dynamic and Inspirational Speaker and Visionary Curator. Design and sell effective products, programs and workshops which cultivate successful artists and creative designers in order to produce exhibitions that enrich high level leaders and thinkers through the arts.
- All of the tasks and activities in the previous position at Harmony Global Enterprises, Inc.
- Conceptualizing and designing art programs and activities to benefit at-risk youth.
- Instructing participants in studio art, digital media, video and internet technologies.



- Producing Graphic, Publication and Website Designs
- Launching Internet marketing and program promotional campaigns
- Curating art exhibitions
- Producing original fine art
- Publishing exhibition catalogs
- Producing art videos as documentation
- Executing art sales and marketing
- Conducting encaustic workshops
- Promoting Artists
- Organizing Internet Marketing Campaigns thorough:
SEO Web development, Social Media, and Video Production.
- Special event planning, promotion and fundraising through customized art exhibits for
businesses, non-profit organizations and fine artists.
- Collaborating with Non-Profits such as Bridges Pointe Sickle Cell Foundation and American
Red Cross, Siblings Together USA.
- Promoting businesses by developing, coordinating and marketing custom art exhibits, wine
tastings and business lectures as corporate special events.
- Creating synergistic relationships between businesses, non-profit organizations and artists
through sponsored special events.
- Grant writing

Studio Art Instructor/Assistant Professor

University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC

8/96 - 6/97

Taught basic drawing and composition to classes of 15 to 30 undergraduate students. Facilitated bi-weekly critiques and team projects. Offered critical analysis of student work.

Substitute Teacher

School Board of Alachua County, Gainesville, FL

8/93 to 5/94

Covered grades one through eight.

"Door to Door" Guest Artist

University of North Carolina Hospitals, Chapel Hill, NC

12/96 and 2/97

Exhibited artwork, conducted painting workshops, and gave slide presentations to children at the UNC Hospital School, and to other psychiatric patients in the Neuroscience Division.

ARTSREACH Artist-Lecturer

City of Gainesville Division of Cultural Affairs, Gainesville, FL



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1992-1994

Exhibited artwork, conducted art workshops, and gave slide presentations to children, teenagers, and adults throughout Alachua county public schools libraries.

Videographer

University of Florida, College of Fine Arts

8/93 to 8/95

Developed videos documenting the: history of women who made a difference at the University; production processes of art objects for the Board of Regents Building projects; and the highlights of the four departments within the College of Fine Arts including theater productions and music recitals.

Assistant Coordinator of Art-in-State-Buildings

University of Florida, College of Fine Arts

8/91 to 8/93

Organized the artist materials and selection committee meetings for the Florida Board of Regents public art commission competitions.

Office Assistant

University of Florida, Samuel P. Harn Museum of Art

Summer 1992

Supported the Director of Public Relations by organizing and chronicling the publicity articles pertaining to the activities and art collections at the Museum.

Board Member

United Arts Council of Raleigh and Wake County

2006 – 2007

Memberships:

Black Artists of D.C., (BADC); Fredericksburg Center for the Creative Arts (FCCA); Colonial Beach Artist Guild (CBAG); International Encaustic Artists (IEA)

Arts Club of Washington

Black Artists of D.C. (BADC)

College Art Association (CAA)

Colonial Beach Artist Guild (CBAG)

Fredericksburg Center for the Creative Arts (FCCA)

Fairfax Art League (FAL)

International Encaustic Artists (IEA)

National Association of Professional Women (NAPW)

Washington Area Lawyers for the Arts (WALA)

Museum Associations

Ambassador to National Museum of African American History and Culture



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American Alliance of Museums (Professional Member)

Exhibitions

Museums

Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York, NY
Ackland Art Museum, Chapel Hill, NC
Museum of African American Art, Tampa, FL
Harn Museum of Art, Gainesville, FL
Hampton University Museum, Hampton, VA

University Galleries

Bowie State University Gallery, Bowie, MD
University Gallery, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL
McIver Gallery, University of North Carolina, Greensboro, NC
Stetson University College of Law, St. Petersburg, FL
The Gallery, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL
The Institute of Black Culture, FL
Broadway Gallery Annex, New York, NY
Focus Gallery, Gainesville, FL

Galleries

Zenith Gallery, Washington, DC
Tri-Mission Gallery, US Embassy, Rome, Italy
Pepco Edison Place Gallery, Washington, DC
Serengeti Cultural Center Gallery, Capitol Heights, MD
The Gallery at Friendship Heights, Chevy Chase, MD
Montpelier Arts Center, Laurel, MD
Norfolk Botanical Gardens Gallery, Norfolk, VA
Wide River Gallery, Colonial Beach, VA
Jarrett Thor Gallery, Colonial Beach, VA
Art/Harmony Hall Center, Fort Washington, MD
Fredericksburg Center For Creative Arts, Fredericksburg, VA
District of Columbia Arts Center, Washington DC
The Red Door Gallery, Richmond, VA
Publick Playhouse Theatre Gallery, Cheverly, MD
The Art & Soul Studios, Mebane, NC
ArtSource Fine Art Gallery, Raleigh, NC
Studio 91, Chapel Hill, NC
Steller's Gallery, Jacksonville, FL
Visual Art Exchange, Raleigh, NC
Brooklyn Borough Hall Community Room Gallery, Brooklyn, NY
City Hall, Gainesville, FL
City Hall Gallery, Orlando, FL



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Department of the Navy, Orlando, FL
The Thomas Center, Cultural Arts Coalition,
City of Gainesville Division of Cultural Affairs, FL
New York New Media Association (NYNMA) Digital Art Exhibition, New York, NY
Ridge Art Association, Winter Haven FL
Green Leaf Associates, Washington, DC

Hospital Exhibits

Children's National Health System, Washington, DC
Bronx Psychiatric Center, NY
Shands Medical Center, Psychiatric Division, FL
UNC Medical Center, Neuroscience Division, NC
Duke University Medical Center, Durham, NC

Fundraising Exhibits

Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Fredericksburg, Fredericksburg, VA
Renaissance Unity Church, Chesapeake, VA
SAFEchild Semi-Annual, Raleigh, NC
Cardinal Club Semi-Annual Art Exhibit, Raleigh, NC
Bridges Pointe Home Cultural Benefit for
Sickle Cell Anemia Survivors, Raleigh, NC
GAKS Grand Opening & Art Auction, Raleigh, NC

