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## **Solo Exhibitions**

- Park Trades Center, Suite 406, "X-Communication," Kalamazoo, MI, July 2015.
- Western Michigan University School of Health and Human Services Gallery, "Ordered Chaos: Finding Truth and Meaning in Patterns of American Life," Kalamazoo, MI, November - December 2015.
- Saniwax Gallery, "For Display Only," Kalamazoo, May 2016.
- Park Trades Center, Suite 406, "Home of the Favored," Kalamazoo, August 2016.
- Kalamazoo Arts Council Gallery, "For Display Only," Kalamazoo, January-February 2017.
- The OutCenter, "Ordered Chaos: Finding Truth and Meaning in the Patterns of Everyday Life," Benton Harbor, MI, March-May 2017.
- Willow Lake Clubhouse, "Taking Inventory," Kalamazoo, June 2017.

## **Selected Group Exhibitions**

- Slusser Gallery, "Penny W. Stamps School of Art and Design All-Student juried exhibition," Ann Arbor, December 2012.
- Slusser Gallery, "Agrocrag," senior thesis exhibition, Ann Arbor, April 2013.
- Anderson House Office Building, "Art in the House," Lansing, MI, August 2013 - August 2014.
- Western Michigan University, "Abstract Diction," Kalamazoo, MI, December 2013.
- Western Michigan University, "Mashup," Kalamazoo, April 2014.
- Saniwax Gallery, "Measuring Distance," Kalamazoo, April 2014.
- Saniwax Gallery, "Standing Room Only," Kalamazoo, July 2014.
- Curator, Park Trades Center, "Cacophony," Kalamazoo, December 2014.
- Kalamazoo Arts Council Gallery, "The Sum of One's Parts," Kalamazoo, July 2015.
- Curator, Consumer's Credit Union, "Trooping the Colors," Kalamazoo, August 2015.
- Mott Community College Fine Art Gallery, "Home," Flint, February - March 2016
- Saniwax Gallery, "Collective Conversations," Kalamazoo, May 2016.
- Riopelle Artist Studio Gallery, "Riopelle Anniversary Show," Detroit, MI, July 2016.
- Park Trades Center, Suite 406, "Home of the Favored," Kalamazoo, MI, August 2016.
- Curator, Riopelle Artist Studio Gallery, "Installations in the Basement," Detroit, MI, September 2016.
- Curator, Saniwax Gallery, "AKA Presents: Riopelle in Kalamamazoo," Kalamazoo, October 2016.
- Curator, Saniwax Gallery, "Inclusion," Kalamazoo, December 2016.



Riopelle Artist Studio Gallery, "The Anti-Fascist Show", Detroit, January 2017.  
Curator, Saniwax Gallery, "Show and Tell," Kalamazoo, March 2017.  
Curator, Riopelle Artist Studio Gallery, "My Body is Political," Detroit, March 2017.  
Saniwax Gallery, "Accumulation," Kalamazoo, May 2017.  
InForm Architecture, "Shaping Creativity," Kalamazoo, June 2017.  
123 Hinkley, "Fun Squad," Benton Harbor, MI, June 2017.  
Riopelle Artist Studio Gallery, "Riopelle 3rd Anniversary Show," Detroit, July 2017.  
Curator, Saniwax Gallery, "AKA Presents: Fun Squad in Kalamazoo," Kalamazoo, October 2017.  
Saniwax Gallery, "AKA Presents: Compassion," December 2017.

## **Affiliations**

The Kalamazoo Arts Council  
The Alliance of Kalamazoo Artists  
Riopelle Detroit, Artist Studio Collective

## **Selected Publications and Reviews**

WMUK, Artist of the Month, April 2014.  
The Grand Rapids Press, "Just Go With Your Gut," October 2014.  
The Herald Palladium, "'Ordered Chaos' Deceptively Beautiful," March 2017.  
Encore Magazine, "Serial Painter, Ellen Nelson," April 2017.  
Kalamazoo Lively Arts, WGVU, "Ellen Nelson's Paintings," September 2017.

## **Commissions**

University of Michigan Department of Neurosurgery, "Wings of Courage," children's book illustrator, typesetter, creative director.

## **Grants and Awards**

Penny W. Stamps School of Art and Design Juried Exhibition  
Honorable Mention, 2012.  
Tamer International Travel Grant, 2012.  
Redstone Scholarship, 2012.  
Heers Memorial Award, 2011.  
Penny Stamps Scholarship, 2009 and 2010.

## **Education**

Bachelor of Fine Arts, University of Michigan, 2013.  
Studio Art Centers International, Florence, Italy, 2012.

## **Born**

Kalamazoo, Michigan, November 9, 1990.