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## Solo Exhibitions

NEW BRITAIN MUSEUM OF AMERICAN ART, QUILTS AND COLLAGE, New Britain, Connecticut, 2002 AMERICAN MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY, New York, New York, 2002 NATHAN CUMMINGS FOUNDATION, New York, New York, 2002 NEW BRITAIN MUSEUM OF ART, New Britain, Connecticut, 2002 171 CEDAR ARTS CENTER, Corning, New York, 2000 HOME BOX OFFICE, New York, New York, 1998 (exhibition and interview on HBO website) BATES COLLEGE, Lewiston, Maine, 1998 HALLMARK CARDS, Kansas City, Missouri, 1995 FLUSHING COUNCIL ON CULTURE AND ARTS, "African Jazz," New York, New York, 1994 FOLKLIFE MUSEUM, Seattle Center Pavilion, Seattle, Washington, 1994 HUGH HILL GALLERY, Kent, Connecticut, 1993-94 SAINT PETER'S CHURCH, New York, New York, 1993-94 AKRON ART MUSEUM, "The Old Made New: Story Quilts," Akron, Ohio, 1993 N.Y. FOUNDATION FOR THE ARTS/OUILT PROJECT AT 42nd STREET BUS TERMINAL, New York, New York, 1993 174 CEDER GALLERY, Corning, New York, 1993 FRANCINE SEDERS GALLERY, Seattle, Washington, 1993 SEWICKLEY ACADEMY, Sewickley, Pennsylvania, 1993 HUGH HILL GALLERY, Kent, Connecticut, 1992 CARRIBEAN CULTURAL CENTER, New York, New York, 1990 NORFOLK STATE UNIVERSITY, Norfolk, Virginia, 1979 CINQUE GALLERY, New York, New York, 1978 NEW YORK FOUNDATION FOR THE ARTS, New York, New York, 1977 STUDIO MUSEUM IN HARLEM, New York, New York, 1976

## Group Exhibitions

NATHAN CUMMINGS FOUNDATION, "Stitching Justice," New York, New York, 2002 VERMONT QUILT FESTIVAL, Northfield, Vermont, 2001 NEW ENGLAND QUILT MUSEUM, Lowell, Massachusetts, 2001 SMITHSONIAN INTERNATIONAL GALLERY, "Piano 300," Washington, D.C., 2000 EUROPEAN QUILT EXPO VII, Strasbourg, France, 2000 QUILT EXHIBITION, Sydney, Australia, 2000 LYNDON BAINES JOHNSON LIBRARY, "Our New Day Begun: African American Artists Entering the Millennium," Austin, Texas, 2000 RENWICK GALLERY OF AMERICAN ART, "Spirits of the Cloth," Washington, D.C., 2000 AMERICAN CRAFT MUSEUM, "Spirits of the Cloth," New York, New York, 1999 IMARISHA ART HOUSE, "Talking Textiles," Brooklyn, New York, 1999 JAZZ MUSEUM, Kansas City, Missouri, 1999 UFA Gallery, New York, New York, 1998 MARYLAND ART PLACE, Baltimore, Maryland, 1998 SCHOOL 33 ART CENTER, "In Stitches," Baltimore, Maryland, 1997 CINCINNATI ART MUSEUM, "In the Spirit of the Cloth," Cincinnati, Ohio, 1997



EVERSON MUSEUM OF ART, Syracuse, New York, 1997

MARYMOUTH MANHATTAN COLLEGE, Quilters of Color Network of New York, Inc., New York, New York, 1997

SMITHTOWN TOWNSHIP ARTS COUNCIL, St. James, New York, 1996

MUSEUM OF ART, "Burning Issues," Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, 1996

CAMILLE LOVE GALLERY, Have a Cigar "Box," Atlanta, Georgia, 1996

CINQUE GALLERY, New York, New York, 1995

COLUMBUS MUSEUM OF ART, "In the Spirit of the Cloth," Columbus, Ohio, 1995

CAMILLE LOVE GALLERY, "Our Story," Atlanta, Georgia, 1995

PRIVIDENCE PUBLIC LIBRARY, Providence, Rhode Island, 1995

RENWICK GALLERY, "Uncommon Beauty...," Washington, D.C., 1995

AFRO-AMERICAN CULTURAL CENTER, "Hand Me Downs: Innovation Within a Tradition," Charlotte, North Carolina, 1995

BRONX MUSEUM OF THE ARTS, "Division of Color: Women's Work in Contemporary Art," Bronx, New York, 1995

AMERICAN CRAFT MUSEUM, Recent Acquisitions Exhibit, New York, New York, 1994

NATIONAL AFRO-AMERICAN MUSEUM AND CULTURAL CENTER, "Uncommon Beauty in Common Objects: The Legacy of African-American Craft Art," Wilberforce, Ohio, Touring Exhibition, 1993-95

OHIO CRAFT MUSEUM, "American Art Quilts, '94," Columbus, Ohio, 1994

MITSUKOSHI DEPARTMENT STORE, "Dream Tomorrow with Quilts," Kokusai Art of Tokyo, Japan, 1994

STUDIO MUSEUM IN HARLEM, "The 25th Anniversary Exhibition: Recent Acquisitions and Selected Works from the Studio Museum in Harlem Collection," New York, New York, 1993-94

KIMBALL ART CENTER, "Contemporary Pictoral Quilts," Curated by Wendy Lavitt, Park City, Utah, 1993

GALLERY 1199, "Women and Men of the Cloth," New York, New York, 1993

CARIBBEAN CULTURAL CENTER, "Women and Men of the Cloth," New York, New York, 1993

BOMANI GALLERY, "A Common Thread...," San Francisco, California, 1993

FRANCINE SEDERS GALLERY, "Landscapes," Seattle, Washington, 1992

174 CEDER GALLERY, "Guided by the Great Spirit," Corning, New York 1992

PUMP HOUSE GALLERY, Hartford, Connecticut, 1992

MUSEUM OF SAN DIEGO HISTORY, "Visions: The Art of the Quilt," San Diego, California, October 1992

READER'S DIGEST HEADQUARTERS, "Words and Images," Chappaqua, New York, 1992 MANHATTAN EAST GALLERY, New York, New York, 1992

MUSEUM OF HISTORY AND SCIENCE, "Always There: The African-American Presence in American Quilts," Kentucky Quilt Project, Louisville, Kentucky, Touring Exhibition, 1991-94

CRT'S CRAFTERY GALLERY, "African-American Fiber Artisans Textiles and Quilts," Hartford, Connecticut, 1991

MUSEUM OF AMERICAN FOLK ART, "The Great American Quilt Festival: Citiquilts," New York, New York, 1991

BERNICE STEINBAUM GALLERY, "The Definitive Contemporary American Quilt," Soho, New York, Touring Exhibition, 1990-92

BLACK ART FESTIVAL, Atlanta, Georgia, 1990

STEIN GALLERY, Tampa, Florida, 1990

BERNICE STEINBAUM GALLERY, Soho, New York, 1989

STUDIO MUSEUM IN HARLEM, "Stitching Memories: African-American Story Quilts," New York,



New York, 1989 (Permanent Collection), Touring Exhibition, 1989-1991 SCHOMBURG CENTER FOR RESEARCH IN BLACK CULTURE, "Who's Uptown: Harlem 1987," New York, New York, 1988 (Permanent Collection) CALIFORNIA AFRICAN AMERICAN MUSEUM, Los Angeles, 1988 (Permanent Collection) GODDARD COMMUNITY CENTER, "Home," curated by Faith Ringgold, New York, New York, 1987 BERGEN COUNTY MUSEUM, Bergen, New Jersey, 1986 FASHION MODA GALLERY, New York, New York, 1986 TORPEDO FACTORY ART CENTER, Alexandria, Virginia, 1985 UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT CHICAGO, Chicago, Illinois, 1983 THE CRAFT MUSEUM, Los Angeles, California, 1985 ROBERSON CENTER FOR THE ARTS AND SCIENCES, Binghampton, New York, Touring Exhibit, 1982-1984 YALE UNIVERSITY, New Haven, Connecticut, 1981 HIGH MUSEUM OF ART, "African American Art in Atlanta: Public and Corporate Collections," Atlanta, Georgia, 1984 BRONX MUSEUM, New York, New York, 1980 ATLANTA LIFE INSURANCE, Atlanta, Georgia, 1980 (Permanent Collection) ZENITH GALLERY, Washington, D.C., 1979 FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY, Miami, Florida, 1978 UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, Riverside, California, 1977 TIME-LIFE, INC., New York, New York, 1976 MANO GALLERIES, Chicago, Illinois, 1976

### Honors and Awards

Louis Comfort Tiffany Biennial Award, Louis Comfort Tiffany Foundation, 2001 Excellence in Design Award, City of New York Art Commission, 2001 Children's Book of Distinction, *Riverbank Review*, 2001 National Endowment for the Arts Heritage Fellow 2023 American Crafts Council Fellow 2024

#### **Advertisements**

Black Enterprise, 9/97 (Absolute Vodka ad featuring quilt) Essence, 6/87, 7/87 (Kodak ad featuring quilt) Ebony, 7/87 (Kodak ad featuring quilt) Black Enterprise, 6/87 (Kodak ad featuring quilt)

## Commissions

CITY OF KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, Quilt for new convention center, Knoxville, Tennessee, 2002 NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS, Four quilts for a new foster care center, October, 2000 WHITE HOUSE Organization (Construction of Construction of Construction)

WHITE HOUSE, Ornament for White House Christmas tree, Washington, D.C., 1998 HOME BOX OFFICE, Quilt, New York, New York, 1997 AVON BOOKS, Quilt for book cover, New York, New York, 1997

HOUSE OF SEAGRAM, Quilt for Absolut Vodka ad series, New York, New York, 1997

HELIAS FOUNDATION, Quilt to commemorate children who died in the Oklahoma City bombing, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 1996

NORTHWEST FOLKLIFE FESTIVAL, Poster image for May festival, Seattle, Washington, 1994 ABYSSINIAN BAPTIST CHURCH, Anniversary print limited edition, New York, New York 1993 CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK, Three quilts for new buildings, New York, New York 1993



### **Commercial Projects**

Jazz at Aspen Festival, image on poster, Aspen, Colorado, 1999 Illustrations for book, Houghton Mifflin Company, Boston, Massachusetts, 1998 Image of "Clara's Garden" quilt on Mother's Day card, Hallmark Cards, 1996 Image of "African Jazz #10" quilt on note card, Hallmark Cards, 1996 Image of "African Jazz #10" quilt on cover of book, *Perspectives: Authentic Voices of African Americans*, edited by Maureen Sotoohi, Curriculum Associates, 1995 Image of "African Jazz #4" on compact disc jacket cover for Don Pullen, Blue Note Jazz, 1992 Artwork for book cover, *Here to Dare: 10 Gay Black Poets*, Galiens Press, New York, 1992 *The Color Purple* by Alice Walker, 10th anniversary book jacket cover wall hanging displayed in photo, Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, New York, New York, 1992

#### Collections

Mark L. Adkins, Sherman Oaks, California Sandra Baccus, Atlanta, Georgia Alan Bell, Los Angeles, California Mr. and Mrs. Charles Burnett, Los Angeles, California William H. and Camille O. Cosby, New York, New York Garth Fagan, Rochester, New York Whoopi Goldberg, Los Angeles, California Alonzo and Tracy Mourning, Miami, Florida George C. Wolfe, New York, New York American Craft Museum, New York, New York Arco Corporation, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Atlanta Life Insurance, Atlanta, Georgia California African American Museum, Los Angeles, California Getty Center for Education in the Arts, Los Angeles, California Schomberg Center for Research in Black Culture, New York, New York Smithsonian Institution, Renwick Gallery, Washington, D.C. Studio Museum in Harlem, New York, New York

# Periodicals

Folk Art. Winter 2002/2003 Venus, Fall 2002 AmericanStyle, Winter 2001-2002 New York Times, June 14, 2001 American Legacy, Spring 2000 JazzTimes, May 1999 BET Week End Magazine (Washington, D.C.) April 1998 Christian Science Monitor. February 20, 1998 Maine Sunday Telegram, February 1, 1998 Sun (Baltimore), February 9, 1997 Fiberarts, September/October, 1995 Atlanta Journal/Atlanta Constitution, August 23, 1995 Marie Claire Maison (France/USA), March, 1995 Upscale, February, 1995 Fiberarts, January/February, 1995 New York Times, October 20, 1994 New York Daily News, September 30, 1994 New York Newsday, September 29, 1994 Crafts Report, September 1994 Columbus Dispatch, July 10, 1994 Seattle Times, May 27, 1994 American Visions, December/January, 1994 Akron Beacon Journal, August 1, 1993 Art in America (93/94 Guide), August 1, 1993 Visions Art Quarterly (Los Angeles), Summer, 1993



Seattle Times, June 24, 1993 Daily News (New York, New York), March 1, 1993 New York Times, January 7, 1993 Patchwork Quilt Tsushin (Japan), January, 1993 New York Times (Connecticut), August 23, 1992 Elle Decor, August 9, 1992 New York Times, March 22, 1992 New York Times, February 23, 1992 Los Angeles Times, May 5, 1991 New York Times, May 2, 1991 Clarion, April, 1991 Quilter's Newsletter Magazine, November, 1990 New York Times, May 31, 1990 Washington Post, March 7, 1985 Essence, July, 1981 Black Art, Vol. 3, No. 1., 1978 Soho News, January, 1976

#### **Books and Catalogs**

*Piano 300: Celebrating Three Centuries of People and Pianos*, National Museum of American History at Smithsonian International Gallery, Washington, D.C., 2002

*In the Hollow of Your Hand* (Slave Lullabies) collected and song by Alice McGill, with 13 illustrations/CD enclosed, Houghton Mifflin Co., Boston, Massachusetts, Fall 2000

Hidden in Plain View by Jacqueline L. Tobin and Raymond G. Dobard, Doubleday, New York, 1999

Spirits of the Cloth: Contemporary African American Quilts by Carolyn Mazloomi, Clarkson Potter Publishers, New York, New York, 1998

The Art Quilt by Robert Shaw, High Lauter Vevin Associates, Inc., 1997

Seeing Jazz: Artists and Writers on Jazz, Chronicle Books with the Smithsonian Institution, 1997

Burning Issues: Contemporary African-American Art, Museum of Art, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, 1996-97

A Communion of the Spirits: African-American Quilters, Preservers and Their Stories by Roland L. Freeman, Rutledge Hill Press, 1996

Quilts: A Living Tradition by Robert Shaw, Hugh Lauter Levin Associates, Inc., 1995

*Fiberarts Design Book Five* edited by Ann Batchelder and Nancy Orban, Lark Books, Asheville, North Carolina, 1995

Writer's Companion, Teacher's resource textbook for grade 12, Prentice-Hall, New York, New York, 1994

Uncommon Beauty in Common Objects: The Legacy of African-American Craft Arts, National Afro-American Museum and Cultural Center, Wilberforce, Ohio, 1993-94

Contemporary Pictorial Quilts by Wendy Lavitt, Gibbs Smith, Layton, Utah, 1993

The Black Family Dinner Quilt Cook Book, National Council of Negro Women, Inc., Washington, D.C., 1993

Textile Designs: Ideas and Applications by Joel Sokolov, PBC International, Inc., New York, New York, 1992

Visions: The Art of the Quilt, Museum of San Diego History, 1992

Always There: The African-American Presence in American Quilts, The Kentucky Project, Inc., 1992

Americans Quilt, Publications International, Ltd., 1991

The Definitive Contemporary American Quilt, Bernice Steinbaum Gallery, New York, New York, 1990-91

Stitching Memories: African-American Story Quilts, Williams College Museum of Art, Williamstown, Massaschusetts, 1990



Animals to Applique by Charlyne Jaffe Stewart, Sterling Publishing Co., Inc., 1989 Emerging Artists: Figurative Abstraction, California African American Museum, Los Angeles, 1988-89

African-American Art in Atlanta: Public and Corporate Collections, High Museum, Atlanta, 1984

Black on Black: The Works of Black Artists from Chicago Black Collectors, University of Illinois at Chicago, 1983

Ancient Inspirations/Contemporary Interpretations, Roberson Center for the Arts and Sciences, Binghampton, New York, 1982

#### Television

Martha Stewart Show, 2002 (interview) Opening Night, New York Cable, 1995 (interview) Paragon Cable Manhattan, New York, New York, 1991 (interview) New York Views, WABC Channel 7, New York, New York, 1991 (interview) New York Views, WABC Channel 7, New York, New York, 1989 (museum tour)

### **Education**

Los Angeles City College, Los Angeles, California Woodbury College, Los Angeles, California The New School, New York, New York Art Students' League, New York, New York State University of New York, New York, New York, B.A.