

TeMika Grooms | Visual Artist

Education: 1998 BS Civil Engineering, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia

Awards & Grants:

2015 The Heart of It: Creating Children’s Books that Matter Course
2013 Pencil Wars Honorary Mention Patriot Theme
2009 AACBWI Conference Scholarship Recipient
1995 Gulfstream Engineering Scholarship
1993 Georgia Southern University Foundation Art Scholarship
1992 PTA Cultural Arts Scholarship

Solo Shows:

2015 Solo Exhibit. “The Never Ending Story: *A Visual Reflection on Immigration's Dreamers*”, Fuse Art Gallery, Atlanta, GA
2002 Solo Exhibit. Tyson Gallery. Ellenwood, GA

Selected Group Shows:

2016 "UN-apologetic", Southwest Arts Center, Atlanta, GA
2015 “Make Me a Mixtape”, Hodgepodge Coffeehouse, Atlanta, GA
2015 “Deck the Walls” Annual Exhibit, Doo Gallery, Atlanta, GA
2015 Sharpie Slam Art Competition, Atlanta, GA
2015 “Othella”, Apache Cafe, Atlanta, GA
2014 “The Way of the Artist”, Atlanta Tech Village, Atlanta, GA
2014 “Wet Paint ATL”, Hobi Studios, Atlanta, GA
2013 “Me Myself & I”, Atlanta Tech Village, Atlanta, GA
2011 “Harlem Renaissance”, Paine College, Augusta, GA
2010 “Body Map Exhibit”, U-Space Gallery, Atlanta, GA
“Art Stroll”, Castleberry Hill Arts District, Atlanta, GA
“The Nina Simone Experience”, Space Atlanta, Atlanta, GA
2009 “Artist Showcase”, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority
(Tau Epsilon Omega Chapter), Atlanta, GA
2009 “Contemplations for the Future”, Atlanta-Fulton County Central Library,
Atlanta, GA
2008 “Through Our Eyes”, Gallery One Eleven, Eatonton, GA
2007 “Southern Renaissance – Black Art at a Crossroads”, Craft Laney
Museum, Augusta, GA
2007 “A Piece of the Diaspora”, Atlanta-Fulton County Central Library,
Atlanta GA
2006 “Men Are Human Too”, Javaology Café, Atlanta, GA
“Small Works”, Southwest Arts Center, Atlanta, GA
2005 “Artasia”, D’jango’s Restaurant, Atlanta, GA
“Holidays Aglow, Southwest Arts, Atlanta, GA2004

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Teaching Affiliations:

- Thirsty Mona Lisa, Stone Mountain, GA 2016
- Create A Canvas, Lithonia, GA, 2015
- DeKalb County Schools Career Day, May 2014
- Teaching Artist, Jack & Jill of America, April 2014
- Teaching Artist at Seven Arts Center, East Point, GA (2013-2014)
- Apprenticeship under R. Gregory Christie at GAS-Art Gifts LLC in Decatur, GA, July 2012
- Teaching Artist, Taller Portobelo Summer Artist Residency, Portobelo Panama, June 2008
- Guest Art Instructor, ArtsNow Art Program, Narvie Harris Elementary School, DeKalb County, 2006
- Guest Art Instructor, Muscogee County Elementary School, 1993

Residencies: Taller Portobelo Summer Artist Residency, Portobelo Panama, June 2008

Professional Affiliations:

Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators, Member & Decatur Liaison
WonderRoot
C4 Atlanta
League of Art Entrepreneurs
AACBWI Member (African American Children's Book Writers and Illustrators)
Writers and Illustrators Critique Group organized through SCBWI
African Americans for the Arts, Programming Chair & Secretary

Bibliography:

Helen Blocker-Adams, Interview, WNRR Radio 1230 AM, Augusta, Georgia, Sept. 7, 2007.

Metro Spirit, Lucy Craft Laney Museum exhibition announcement with interview, Augusta, Georgia, Issue #19.06 09/05/2007 – 09/11/2007

Publications:

Nana's Favorite Things written by Dorothy Price, Illustrated by TeMika Grooms (Feb 2016)

They Call Me Esperanza written and illustrated by TeMika Grooms (June 2015)

Artista: Becoming Mother, Artist and Lover by Any Means Necessary by TeMika Grooms (May 2014)

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Illustrations for children's book, From Where Do We Come: Revisiting Our Past While Paving the Way Forward? by Jamilah Tetterton (January 2014)

Illustrations for children's book, Who Is Pepper Storm? by Keshius Williams (December 2013)

Illustration for children's book, Dancing with El Diablo by the Children of Portobelo, Panama (2010)

Illustrations for children's book, The Dress-Up Attic by Wave Walton (2008)

Interview of romance novelist Lisa Harrison Jackson, Creative Minds Magazine "A Writer's Mind", Vol. 2, Issue 3, Summer 2007.

Interview of visual artist Debra Jeter, Creative Minds Magazine "A Visual Artist's Mind – Interview with Atlanta Visual Artist Debra Jeter", Vol. 2, Issue 2 Spring 2007.