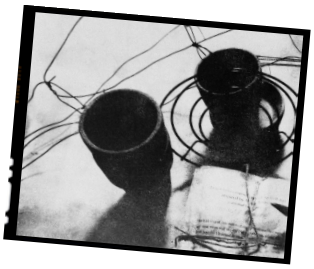

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## Profile

Rebecca Sexton Larson is a Tampa based studio artist working with historic photographic processes. She graduated from the University of South Florida with a degree in Fine Arts and Mass Communications. She was awarded Florida Individual Artist Fellowships in 1998, 2002, and 2008. In 2006, she received an Artist Enhancement Grant from the State of Florida and, in 2005, was commissioned by the City of Tampa to be its Photographer Laureate for a year. During the past 15 years, Sexton Larson has taught, lectured, curated and exhibited work nationally at various arts institutions and organizations. Sexton Larson's photographs are in numerous major collections throughout the country, including: Polaroid, Progressive Corporate Art, Graham Nash (Crosby, Stills, Nash & Young), Holland and Knight Law Firm, Polk Museum of Art, Tampa Museum of Art and New Mexico Historical Museum.

## Grants, Fellowships and Awards

2008 Florida Individual Artist Fellowship
2006 Florida Artist Enhancement Grant
2005 Photographer Laureate, City of Tampa
2002 Florida Individual Artist Fellowship
1999 Featured artist for Polaroid Corporation “Test” On Line
1997 Florida Individual Artist Fellowship
1996 Honorable Mention, Florida Individual Artist Fellowship
1995 Emerging Artist Grant, Tampa-Hillsborough Arts Council
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## Selected Collections and Commissions

Polaroid International, Boston, MA
Progressive Corporate Art, Mayfield Village, OH
Graham Nash, Nash Editions / Crosby, Stills & Nash
The Pinhole Resource, San Lorenzo, NM
PharMerica, Inc., Tampa, FL
Holland and Knight Law Firm, Tampa, FL

Tampa Museum of Art, Tampa, FL
Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland, FL
Gulf Coast Museum of Art, Belleair, FL
City of Orlando, Florida Artists Collection, Orlando, FL
Coopers & Lybrand, Tampa, FL
Arthur Anderson, Tampa, FL
First Fidelity Investments, Tampa, FL
Hillsborough County Commission, County Building, Tampa, FL
Chamber of Commerce, Tampa, FL
Rick Mears, 4-Time Indianapolis 500 Champion, Jupiter, FL
South Trust Bank, Orlando, FL
Thermal Ceramics, Augusta, GA
Orlando County Commission, Orlando, FL
Amsouth Bank, Tampa, FL
TECO Reality, Tampa, FL
Tampa Bay Business Committee of the Arts 2004 Artwork/Award recipients
The St. Petersburg Times
Norma Gene Burr, F.E Lykes Foundation
Walter Loebenberg, Florida Holocaust Museum
Edward Hoffman Jr., Hoffman Architects
William R. Hough, RBC Dain Rauscher
Marty Schaffel, Audio Visual Innovations
New Mexico Historical Museum

## Exhibition Record (selected)

2013 40th Temple Beth El Art Festival, St. Petersburg, FL
2012 'Pinhole Photography" Atlantic Center for the Arts - Harris House, New Smyrna Beach, FL
2012 "Alternative Views" Red Filter Fine Art Photography Gallery, Lambertville, NJ
2012 In One Instant Gallery of Photogrpahy, Ft. Myers, FL
2011 "Transferred/Alternative Processes in Photography" Target Gallery at the Torpedo Factory Art Center, VA curated by Regina DeLuis
2011 Florida Museum of Women Artists, Biennial Exhibition
2010 Low Tech curated by Crista Dix Founder and Director of wall space gallery in Seattle and Santa Barbara. The Center for Fine Art Photography, Inc., Fort Collins, CO
2010 Push>Process, curated by Emma Emmerton and Nastassja Simensky. CoExist Galleries & Studios @ TAP The Old Water Works, Southend on Sea, Essex, U.K.
2010 Florida Biennial III, the Deland Museum of Art, Juror Mark Ormond

2009 Visual Unity, Morean Art Center, St. Petersburg, FL
2009 In a New Light Selections from the Gulf Coast Museum of Art Collection, Florida International Museum, St. Petersburg, FL
2008 Film Lingual II, C. Emerson Fine Art, St. Petersburg, FL
2008 Volvo Mayfaire by-the-Lake Purchase Awards: 25 Years of Collecting, Polk Museum of Art
2008 "React", C. Emerson Fine Art, St. Petersburg, FL
2007 Rebecca Sexton Larson, University of the Arts, Philadelphia, PA.
2007 Small Works Exhibit, Clayton Galleries, Tampa, FL
2006 Photographer Laureate Exhibition, University of Tampa, Tampa, FL.,
2006 Artwork by Rebecca Sexton Larson and Anna Tomczak, Lake Wales Art Center, Lake Wales, Fl.,
2006 The Narrative Tradition, the Tampa Museum of Art, Tampa, FL.,
2006 Pictures of Words: The Use of Text in Art, the Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland, FL.,
2006 "Booty" Tampa's First Contemporary Art Expo, Skypoint Center, Tampa,
2005 Rethinking the Possibilities: Rebecca Sexton Larson, the Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland, FL.,
2005 Hot Summer Show, Clayton Galleries, Tampa, FL
2005 Pinhole Photography Group Show, the Upstairs Gallery, Tyron, NC
2004 New Work, Clayton Galleries, Tampa, FL
2004 Fixed in Time: Matt Larson & Rebecca Sexton Larson, the Arts Center, St. Petersburg, FL
2003 Pure Light: Southern Pinhole Photography, Southeastern Center for Contemporary Art, Winston-Salem, NC
2003 Group Show, Clayton Galleries, Tampa, FL
2003 Florida Individual Artist Fellowship Traveling Exhibition, various Florida museums
2002 Boca Raton Museum Show, Boca Raton Museum, Boca Raton, FL
2002 New Work, Clayton Galleries, Tampa, FL
2001 "Why Pinhole? International Exhibition of Lens-less Images, The Visual Studies Workshop Rochester, N.Y.
2001 Images from the Permanent Collection, the Tampa Museum of Art, Tampa, FL
2000 New Work, Clayton Galleries, Tampa, FL
2000 Rebecca Sexton Larson: Women's History Month, Hillsborough Community College, Tampa, FL
2000 Larson & Tomczak, Pensacola Museum of Art, Pensacola, FL
1999 Artistic Waters, the Florida Aquarium, Tampa, FL
1999 Nostalgic Glances, Museum of Arts and Science, Melbourne, FL
1999 Undercurrent/Overview, the Tampa Museum of Art, Tampa, FL

1999 The Photograph as a Point of Departure, Palm Beach Photographic Workshops, Delray, FL
1999 Small Works Exhibition, Valencia Community College, Orlando, FL
1999 Florida Individual Artist Fellowship Traveling Exhibition, various Florida museums
1999 One Person Exhibition, Arts on the Park (Gallery), Lakeland, FL
1998 Florida Biennial III, Gulf Coast Museum, Belleair, FL
1998 Solo Exhibition, Clayton Galleries, Tampa, FL
1998 Group Exhibition, Clayton Galleries, Tampa, FL
1998 Permanent Collection, Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland, FL
1998 MAYSHOW, Lakeland, FL, Awarded Best in Show
1998 Group Exhibition, St. Petersburg Art Center, St. Petersburg, FL
1998 Florida Photographers, Coral Springs Museum of Fine Art, Coral Springs, FL
1998 Photography from the Permanent Collection, Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland, FL
1998 Artists Collaboration, the Florida-Wyoming Tarot Project
1998 Group Exhibition, Clayton Galleries, Tampa, FL
1998 Group Exhibition, St. Petersburg Center for the Arts, St. Petersburg FL
1996 Rebecca Sexton Larson, Lee Scarfone Gallery, University of Tampa, Tampa, FL
1996 Florida Biennial II, Gulf Coast Museum of Art, Belleair, FL
1996 "HouseSpirits," Clayton Galleries, Tampa, FL
1996 Artist as Activist, Gulf Coast Museum of Art, Belleair, FL
1996 Fourth Biennial of Contemporary Southern Art, Huntsville Museum of Art, Huntsville, AL
1996 Recent Works, Clayton Galleries, Tampa, FL
1996 Hot Shots, Duncan McClellan & Rebecca Sexton Larson, Dunedin Fine Art Center, Dunedin, FL.
1996 Current Works, TECO Plaza Gallery, Tampa, FL
1996 Glass and Light, Duncan McClellan & Rebecca Sexton Larson, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

## Professional Activities

2012 Keynote Speaker, Florida Art Educator's Conference, St. Petersburg, FL
2011 F295 Symposium Presenter. Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA
2010 Friends of Photography, Museum of Fine Arts, St. Petersburg
2010 American Association of Museums Conference, Los Angeles, CA.
2009 "On the Easel", Leepa-Rattner Museum of Art, Tarpon Springs, FL.
2008 Juror, 37th Annual Lake Wales Art Festival, Lake Wales, FL.

2008 Public Lecture, Camera Obscura, Museum of Photographic Arts, Tampa, Fl. Sponsored by The Tampa Museum of Art, Art for Lunch Program

2008 Visiting Artist, McLaughlin Middle School, Winter Haven, FL.

2007 Juror, 33rd Annual Palm Harbor Chamber of Commerce Fine Arts Festival, St. Petersburg College, Tarpon Springs Campus, Palm Harbor, FL.

2007 Juror, 33rd Annual Tarpon Springs Fine Arts Festival, Spring Bayou Park Tarpon, FL.

2007 Juror, “7th “Annual Members Exhibition” Florida Museum of Photographic Arts, Tampa, FL.

2006 Panel Member, "The Art of the Documentary Project," Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland, FL.,

2006 Public Lecture, Photo Laureate Project Tampa Museum of Art, Art for Lunch Program, Tampa, FL.

2006 Transfer Techniques for Educators Workshop, Florida Art Educators Conference, Jacksonville, Florida

2005 Hand Coloring Black and White Photographs: You Choose the Colors Workshop, the Tampa Museum of Art, Tampa, FL.

2005 Public Lecture Pinhole Photography, Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland, FL.

2005 Panel Member, "Tampa Photo Laureates," Tampa Museum of Art, Tampa, FL.

2005 Pre-Juror, Mayfaire by the Lake Art Festival, Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland, FL.

2004 Santa Fe Center for Photography, Review Santa Fe Participant

2002 Public Lecture Pinhole Photography, Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland, FL.

2002 Hand coloring Workshop and Lecture, sponsored by the McGonagall Trust, University of the Arts, Philadelphia, PA.

2001 Public Lecture, Visual Literacy, University of Tampa, Tampa, FL.

1999 Visiting Artist, Blake High School, Tampa, FL.

1999 Public Access T.V. Program, “Art Off The Wall” The Education Channel, Tampa, FL.

1999 Public Lecture, the Gulf Coast Museum of Art, Belliaer, FL.

1999 Television Interview, “Good Morning Tampa Bay, Channel 13, Tampa, FL.

1999 Public Lecture, Friends of Photography, the St. Petersburg Museum, St. Petersburg, FL.

1999 Public Lecture, Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland, FL.,

1998 Public Lecture, (Keynote Lecturer) “Pinhole Photography” Florida Art Educators Conference, St. Petersburg, Florida

1993 Radio Interview, Pin Hole Photography, WMNF Radio, Tampa, FL.

1992 Public Lecture, American Society of Media Photographers (ASMP), Tampa, FL

## Professional Memberships

American Association of Museums (AAM)
Florida Association of Museums, Inc.
Museum of Fine Arts, St. Petersburg – Friends of Photography

## Education

University of South Florida, Tampa, FL - B.A. Fine Arts, 1982
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