KELLI VANCE

Born 1983 in Garland, TX
Currently lives and works in Houston, TX

EDUCATION

2008
Master of Fine Arts – Studio Art, University of Houston, Houston, TX

2005
Bachelor of Fine Arts – Studio Art, University of North Texas, Denton, TX

SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2026
With My Eyes Closed, Cris Worley Fine Arts, Dallas, TX

2025
The Velvet Trap, Dimin, New York, NY

2024
Don't Abandon Me, Cris Worley Fine Arts, Dallas, TX

2023
Noonday Demons, Long Story Short, NYC
Another Sunny Day, Long Story Short, Paris, France

2022
Fever Dream, Long Story Short, Los Angeles, CA
We Don't Sleep, Cris Worley Fine Arts, Dallas, TX

2020
Performance Anxiety, Cris Worley Fine Arts, Dallas, TX

2017
Sappers and Miners, Cris Worley Fine Arts, Dallas, TX

2015
Recital, McClain Gallery, Houston, TX

2014
Myth Maker, Cris Worley Fine Arts, Dallas, TX

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2011
Pulse Miami Art Fair, Samuel Freeman Gallery, Miami, FL
A Function Of Identity, Samuel Freeman Gallery, Los Angeles, CA

2009
What You Do To Me, McClain Gallery, Houston, TX
Stop Looking At Me, Roswell Museum, Roswell, NM
Awarded solo show for the Texas Biennial, Big Medium Gallery, Austin, TX

2008
Surface, University of Houston, Houston, TX

2007
Kelli Vance: Interiors, Joan Wich & Co. Gallery, Houston, TX

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2026
Felix Art Fair, Dimin, New York, NY
Armory Show, Dimin, New York, NY

2024
Crescent Heights, Harper's Los Angeles, CA

2022
Double Trouble, Long Story Short, Paris, France

2021
VAA Juried Exhibition – juried exhibition, juror: Harry Cooper, Ph.D., Senior Curator National Gallery of Art. Washington, D.C.
Valdosta National, Valdosta State University, Valdosta, GA.

2020
Texas National Competition, Stephen F Austin University. Nacogdoches, TX

2019
34th International Exhibition, Meadows Gallery, University of Texas, Tyler, TX

2018
Vignette Art Fair, Women's Museum, Dallas, TX

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2017
Referendum, Flight Gallery, San Antonio, TX
The Reflection in the Sword of Holofernes, Galveston Artist Residency, Galveston, TX
32nd Annual International Exhibition, University of Texas at Tyler, Tyler, TX

2016
Contemporary Portraiture, The Gallery at UT Arlington, Arlington, TX
Homelife, Inman Gallery, Houston, TX
8th Annual Figurative Drawing and Painting Competition and Exhibition, Lore Degenstein Gallery, Selinsgrove, PA

2015
Wet, Williams Tower, Houston, TX
Painting and Sculpture, Artscan Gallery, Houston, TX

2014
Draped Up and Dripped Out, Mountain View Collage Gallery, Dallas, TX
Faculty Art Exhibit, Houston Community College, Houston, TX
ArtSpace 111 Regional Exhibition, ArtSpace 111, Fort Worth, TX
On Your Mark: Opus I, Cris Worley Fine Arts, Dallas, TX
Luck of the Draw, Diverseworks, Houston, TX

2013
More Than a Likeness, McClain Gallery, Houston, TX
Austere Measures, Oak Cliff Cultural Center, Dallas, TX
Texas Biennial Anniversary Show, Big Medium, Austin, TX

2012
Power Of Paint, Avis Frank Gallery, Houston, TX
Luck Of The Draw, Diverseworks, Houston, TX

2011
Oye Chica, Mission Projects, Chicago, IL
Spectrum, Avis Frank Gallery, Galveston, TX
Opening Exhibition, Avis Frank Gallery, Galveston, TX

2010
20 on Paper, Williams Tower Gallery, Houston, TX
Texas Biennial Alumni Show, Big Medium Gallery, Austin, TX
SICA Annual Juried Exhibition, The Shore Institute of Contemporary Art, Long Branch, NJ

2009
A Room Of Her Own, McClain Gallery, Houston, TX
In The Dark, McClain Gallery project space, Houston, TX

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2008
Thrive, Diverseworks. Catalogue published, Houston, TX
MFA Master Thesis Exhibition, Blaffer Gallery, Houston, TX
Points Of Convergence, College Art Association Exhibition, The Gallery at University of Arlington, Arlington, TX

2007
The Big Show, Lawndale Art Center, Houston, TX

2006
Group Show, Lawndale Art Center, Houston, TX

BIBLIOGRAPHY

2022
Gregory, Casey, "Show Up: Kelli Vance at Cris Worley", *Arts and Culture Magazine*, May

2021
Booooooom, Artist's Spotlight, November

2020
New American Paintings #150 – Curated by Suzanne Weaver

2019
"Art&Life with Kelli Vance", Voyage Houston, February

2018
"Kelli Vance: Intimacy, Eroticism, and Empowerment", Minus 37, August

2017
Escobedo, Lee, "Sappers and Miners: Kelli Vance at Cris Worley", Arts and Culture Magazine, May

2014
"From Nature to Nudes", Urban Art @ Antiques, April

2013
Mattingly, June, "The State of the Art: Contemporary Artists in Texas", Oxford American
Cover photo, The Pulse, Chattanooga.

2012
"100 Under 100. Art Superstars of the South", Oxford American Magazine

2009
Colpitt, Francis, "Texas Biennial", Art In America, June

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2007
Riley, Jamie, "Art Houston 2007", H Texas Magazine, July

2006
Cook, Sandra, "It's a Wonderful Home", Houston House and Home, December

AWARDS & HONORS

2017
Individual Artist Grant, Houston Arts Alliance, City of Houston

2014
Hunting Art Prize Finalist

2013
Hunting Art Prize Finalist

2009
Louis Comfort Tiffany Award Nominee

2008
Roswell Artist-In-Residence, Roswell, NM
Dedalus Foundation Nominee

2007
Friends of the Arts Program Scholarship

2006
Marit Smith Faris Fellowship, University of Houston, Houston, TX

2005
Presidential Graduate Fellowship, University of Houston, Houston, TX

COLLECTIONS

Civic Art Collection, Houston Airports, Houston, TX
Anderson Museum of Contemporary Art, Roswell, NM
CitizenM Hotel, Austin, TX