

Résumé of  
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EXHIBITION HISTORY

- 2019 **Rooted, Revived, Reinvented: Basketry in American**, National Basketry Organization traveling show, Biggs Museum of American Art, Dover, Delaware; Fuller Craft Museum, Brockton, MA  
**Contemporary Greenwood**, Messler Gallery, Center for Furniture Craftsmanship, Rockport, ME  
**Red**, Mobilia Gallery, Cambridge, MA  
**Identity & Intersection**, browngrotta arts, Wilton, CT  
**Nature Redefined**, Mobilia Gallery, Cambridge, MA
- 2018 **Rooted, Revived, Reinvented: Basketry in America**, National Basketry Organization traveling show, Whatcom Museum, Bellingham, WA  
**Blue/Green color/code/context**, browngrotta arts, Wilton, CT
- 2017 **Rooted, Revived, Reinvented: Basketry in America**, National Basketry Organization in conjunction with University of Missouri  
**Small Gifts from Big Donors**, Cotsen Contemporary American Basket Collection, Racine Art Museum, Racine, WI  
**Cut the Edge-Weave the Line**, Mobilia Gallery, Cambridge, MA  
**Still Crazy After All These Years-30 years in Art**, browngrotta arts, Wilton, CT  
**National Teapot Show X**, Cedar Creek Gallery, Creedmoor, NC
- 2016 **Green from the Get Go**, International Contemporary Basketmakers, Morris Museum, Morristown NJ  
**Superlatives**, Mobilia Gallery, Cambridge MA  
**Mind Over Matter**, Florida Craft Art, St. Petersburg FL  
**Containers of Our Culture**, Arts Visalia, Visalia CA
- 2015 **New Textiles, Transformed**, Mobilia Gallery, Cambridge MA  
**NWDC Exhibit**, UW Medical Center- South Lake Union, Seattle WA  
**Entwined**, Museo Gallery, Langley, WA
- 2014 **Elements**, Cavin-Morris Gallery, New York NY  
**Game Changers**, Fuller Craft Museum, Brockton MA  
**Connections**, Chessman Gallery, Lincoln City Cultural Center, Lincoln City OR  
**New Textiles/Exploring Textile Arts**, Mobilia Gallery, Cambridge MA  
**21st Annual Sitka Art Invitational**, World Forestry Center, Portland OR  
**With and Without**, The Carnegie, Covington KY  
**All Things Considered VII**, Fuller Craft Museum, Brockton MA  
**Reaching Beyond: the Northwest Designer Craftsmen at 60**, Whatcom Museum, Bellingham WA
- 2013 **Crafting a Continuum**, Arizona State University Art Museum, Tempe AZ  
**All Things Considered VII**, Arrowmont School of Arts & Crafts, Gatlinburg TN  
**Celebrating the Vessel**, Mobilia Galley, Cambridge MA  
**High Fiber Diet**, Bellevue Art Museum Biennial 2012-2013, Bellevue WA
- 2012 **SOFA New York**, Cavin-Morris Gallery, New York NY  
**Containers of Our Culture**, Visalia CA  
**Polly Adams Sutton New Work**, Cedar with Ivy, Fountainhead Gallery, Seattle WA  
**Weaving the Unexpected**, NW Basketweavers, North Seattle Community College Gallery, Seattle WA  
**High Fiber Diet**, Bellevue Art Museum Biennial 2012, Bellevue WA
- 2011 **NWDC Invitational Exhibition**, Matzke Fine Art Gallery, Camano Island WA  
**Gathered**, Museo Gallery, Langley, WA  
**All Things Considered VI**, NBO, Fuller Craft Museum, Brockton MA  
**Vessel Redefined**, Mobilia Gallery, Cambridge MA  
**Cedar Baskets**, Katie Gingrass Gallery, Milwaukee WI

- 2010 ***Contained Excitement***, Cavin Morris Gallery, New York NY  
***Class Works II***, Phillip Dickel Basket Museum, West Amana IA  
***Exploring Baskets***, Depot Arts Center, Anacortes WA  
***Hot Tea***, del Mano Gallery, Los Angeles CA
- 2009 ***SOFA Chicago, 2009***, Jane Sauer Gallery, Chicago IL  
***Summer Faculty Exhibition***, Arrowmont School of Arts & Crafts, Gatlinburg TN  
***Perfect Fit, Shoes Tell Stories***, Fuller Craft Museum, Brockton MA  
***Basketry in Perspective***, Jane Sauer Gallery, Santa Fe NM  
***Web and Flow***, National Basketry Exhibition, Textile Center, Minneapolis MN  
***Containers, Containment and Contents***, Arts Council, Everett WA  
***Baskets, An Evolution***, Museo Gallery, Langley WA  
***Basketworks: Cotsen Contemporary American Basket Collection***, Racine WI Art Museum  
***Contemporary Baskets***, Fountainhead Gallery, Seattle WA
- 2008 ***SOFA Chicago, 2008***, Jane Sauer Gallery, Chicago IL  
***Xtreme Baskets***, Jane Sauer Gallery, Santa Fe NM  
***Fiber Exhibition***, del Mano Gallery, Los Angeles CA  
***Textures and Forms: Contemporary Baskets***, Florida Craftsmen Gallery, Tampa FL
- 2007 ***SOFA Chicago, 2007***, Jane Sauer Gallery, Chicago IL  
***Baskets as Architecture***, Mobilia Gallery, Cambridge MA  
***Baskets: No Boundaries***, Jane Sauer Gallery, Santa Fe NM  
***Beyond the Basket***, del Mano Gallery, Los Angeles CA  
***Interwoven: Contemporary Baskets***, Ohio Craft Museum, Columbus OH
- 2006 ***SOFA Chicago, 2006***, Jane Sauer Gallery, Chicago IL  
***Contemporary Baskets 2006***, del Mano Gallery, Los Angeles CA  
***Woven Myths: Contemporary Basketry***, Washburn University, Topeka KS  
***Natural Origins***, Fountainhead Gallery, Seattle WA  
***Basketry Invitational***, Museo Gallery, Langley WA  
***Basketry: Northwest Connections***, Tacoma Community College, Tacoma WA  
***Waves of Tradition***, Slater Mill Gallery, Pawtucket RI
- 2005 ***Cedar Works***, Fountainhead Gallery, Seattle WA  
***SOFA Chicago, 2005***, Katie Gingrass Gallery, Chicago IL  
***Material Content: Basketry Sculpture 21<sup>st</sup> Century***, Craft Alliance, St Louis MO  
***Basketry Reviewed***, Artcentric, Corvallis OR
- 2004 ***SOFA Chicago, 2004***, Katie Gingrass Gallery, Chicago IL  
***Contemporary Baskets 2004***, del Mano Gallery, Los Angeles CA  
***Celebrating Nature***, Los Angeles Craft & Folk Art Museum  
***Northwest Designer Craftsmen at 50***, Whatcom Museum, Bellingham WA  
***Baskets as Art***, The Flinn Gallery, Greenwich CT  
***Traditional Craft-Contemporary Art***, New Hampshire Institute of Art, Manchester NH
- 2003 ***SOFA Chicago, 2003***, Katie Gingrass Gallery, Chicago IL  
***Other Baskets***, Jane Sauer Gallery, Santa Fe NM  
***Contemporary Baskets 2003***, del Mano Gallery, Los Angeles CA  
***Annual Basketry Invitational***, gallerymateria, Scottsdale AZ  
***Basketry***, The Carnegie, Covington KY  
***Baskets Now***, Yeiser Art Center, Paducah KY
- 2002 ***SOFA Chicago, 2002***, Katie Gingrass Gallery, Chicago IL  
***Summer Breeze, NW Fiber Arts Invitational***, Fountainhead Gallery, Seattle WA  
***Instructors Exhibition***, National Basketry Organization Conference, Santa Fe NM  
***Faculty Invitational Exhibition***, Arrowmont School of Arts & Crafts, Gatlinburg TN  
***Tradition Bearers***, National Basketry Organization, Arkansas Art Center, Little Rock AR  
***Art of Contemporary Basketry***, gallerymateria, Scottsdale AZ  
***Contemporary Baskets 2002***, del Mano Gallery, Los Angeles CA

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- 2001 **Basketworks**, League of NH Craftsmen, Concord NH  
**SOFA Chicago, 2001**, Katie Gingrass Gallery, Chicago, IL  
**Celebration of American Basketry**, Amana Art Center, Amana, IA  
**SOFA NY**, Katie Gingrass Gallery, New York, NY  
**Contemporary Baskets 2001**, del Mano Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
- 2000 **SOFA Chicago, 2000**, Katie Gingrass Gallery, Chicago IL  
**Fiber Invitational 2000**, Katie Gingrass Gallery, Milwaukee WI  
**Contemporary Basketry**, Fountainhead Gallery, Seattle WA  
**Baskets 2000, A Reflection of Diversity**, Windsor CT  
**Contemporary Baskets 2000**, del Mano Gallery, Los Angeles CA
- 1999 **SOFA Chicago, 1999**, Katie Gingrass Gallery, Chicago IL  
**All Things Considered, Tradition & Innovation: Basketry Today**, Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts, Gatlinburg TN  
**Innovation-Baskets and Beyond**, Firehouse Gallery, Damariscotta ME  
**Basketry-An Evolution of Form**, Fountainhead Gallery, Seattle WA  
**Arrowmont National '99 Juried Exhibition**, Gatlinburg TN  
**National Crafts 1999**, Lancaster Museum of Art, Lancaster PA
- 1998 **American Basketry**, L.T. Bignell Gallery, Brookfield Craft Center, Brookfield CT
- 1997 **A Basket Is, National Invitational Exhibition**, Plymouth Art Foundation, Plymouth WI
- 1996 **Convergence '96**, Portland OR  
**The Humble Basket**, Sticks and Stones Gallery, Seattle WA  
**Basketry Redefined**, Seattle Folklife Festival and Sticks and Stones Gallery, Seattle WA 1995  
**Northwest Basketry, A Tradition of Craftsmanship**, Lynnwood WA
- 1993 **Basket Art**, North Seattle Community College, Seattle WA
- 1991 **Pacific Northwest Contemporary Basket Exhibit**, Bumbershoot, Seattle WA
- 1990 **Shower of Baskets**, Prima Gallery, Edmonds WA

PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

*Arizona State University Art Museum, Tempe, AZ*  
*Museum of Fine Arts, Boston MA*  
*Racine Art Museum, Racine WI*  
*Michigan State University Museum, East Lansing MI*  
*Edmonds Art Museum, Edmonds WA*

GALLERY AFFILIATIONS

*browngrotta arts, Wilton CT*  
*Cavin-Morris Gallery, New York NY*  
*Mobilia Gallery, Cambridge, MA*

PUBLICATIONS

*Art + Identity: an international view*, 2019, browngrotta arts  
*Blue/Green, color/code/context*, 2018, browngrotta arts  
*Rooted, Revived, Reinvented: Basketry in American*, 2017, Schiffer Publishing  
*Still Crazy After All These Years*, 2017, browngrotta arts  
*Artistry in Fiber: Sculpture*, 2017, Schiffer Publishing  
*"Excellence in Fibers," Fiber Art Now*, December 2015  
*Kamm Teapot Collection, Fiberarts*, Sept/Oct 2010  
*Polly Adams Sutton*, Feature article, *Shuttle, Spindle, Dyepot*, Spring 2008  
**500 Baskets**, Lark Books, 2006, cover illustration of "Onyx" (detail) and contributions  
*Baskets: Tradition and Beyond*, contributions, Guild Books Review, *Fiberarts*, Jan/Feb 2003  
*Baskets: A Book for Makers and Collectors*, B.R. Sudduth, contributions "Basketmakers' Search: Polly Adams Sutton", *Basket Bits*, Issue #29  
Graham Eccles, "Contemporary Fiber Artists Maker Profile: Polly Adams Sutton", Odyssey Video

## PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

- 1991-Date *Instructor for various Basketry Conferences and Conventions including:*  
Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts  
Instructor, Bainbridge Artist Resource Network, Bainbridge Island, WA  
National Basketry Organization Biennial Convention; Association of Michigan Basketmakers Convention  
Northeast Basketmakers Convention, Massachusetts  
Guilders Weave, Virginia;  
Stowe Basketry Festival, Vermont  
Midwest Basketry Focus, Ohio  
Land of Lincoln Basketry Conference, Illinois  
A.S.U.W. Experimental College, Seattle WA  
Conference of Northern California Handweavers, Santa Clara CA
- 2006 Guest Instructor, Washburn University, Topeka KS
- 2005 Guest Instructor, University of Missouri Fiber Arts Department, Columbia MO
- 1986-2001 Staff Instructor, The Basketry School, Seattle WA
- 1987-1999 Freelance Instructor, University Preparatory Academy, Seattle WA
- 1994-1996 Adjunct Professor, Seattle Pacific University, Seattle WA
- 1992 Project Director, Basketry Redefined, Folklife Festival, Seattle WA

## HONORS

- City of Seattle Artists Project, 2012 Grant  
GAP Grant 2012, Artist Trust  
Kamm Teapot Foundation, 2010  
Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, Curator's Choice Award,  
CERF, "Footwork 2009"  
Viewer's Choice Award, Association of Michigan Basketmakers Convention, 1999, 2005, 2007, 2009  
Best of Show, First Place, Purchase Award, Edmonds Arts Festival, 1998  
Judge's Award, Shemer Art Museum, Phoenix AZ, 1998 and 1999

## EDUCATION

- 1976 Master of Arts, Art Education, Michigan State University
- 1973 Bachelor of Arts, Art Major, Philosophy Minor, Eureka College, Eureka IL