

Bryana Bibbs

Lives and works in Chicago, Illinois

EDUCATION & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

2020 Ingenuity: Teaching and Learning in Chicago's Art Museums, **The Art Institute of Chicago, The Smart Museum of Art, The Museum of Contemporary Art Chicago**, Chicago, IL

2014 BFA, emphasis in Fiber and Material Studies, **School of the Art Institute of Chicago**, Chicago, IL

2013 Study Abroad: *India – Layered Cities and the Portable Studio* – Delhi, Jaipur, Amer, Agra, Varanasi, Sarnath, Allahabad, **School of the Art Institute of Chicago**

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2024 **Changes**, Chesterton Art Center, Chesterton, IN

2023 **Places (Edition I) curated by Debra Kayes**, Tiger Strikes Asteroid, Chicago, IL {catalogue}
Numb, Oliva Gallery, Chicago, IL

2022 **(un)disclosed**, 1100 Florence Gallery, Evanston, IL

2020 **Power Trip**, ARC Gallery, Chicago, IL

TWO-PERSON EXHIBITIONS

2022 **Layer, Mark, Repeat | Bryana Bibbs & Sirimas Benz Amatayakul, curated by Cristobal Alday**, Chicago Artists Coalition, Chicago, IL

2021 **Intrinsic Color | Bryana Bibbs & Jana Vander Lee**, The Wayback, Chicago, IL

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2024 **MSI @ EXPO Chicago – Booth 183**, Museum of Science & Industry – Black Creativity, Chicago, IL
Newcity Breakout Artists 2024 Exhibition, Chicago Artists Coalition, Chicago, IL
A Love Supreme: McCormick House Reimagined, Elmhurst Art Museum, Elmhurst, IL

2023 **Sustenance, curated by Myron Beasley & Lin Lisberger**, Portland Public Library, Portland, ME
A More Human Dwelling Place, curated by Myron Beasley, George Marshall Store Gallery, York, ME

2022 **ANTHEM-X, curated by Jared Owens**, Malin Gallery - Wynwood, Miami, FL
In Good Hands, Purple Window Gallery, Chicago, IL
In the Fray: Feminist Fiber from Margin to Center, Bolivar Art Gallery, Lexington, KY
Carrying the Thread, Stinson - The Merchandise Mart, Chicago, IL
Embedded, Praxis Fiber Workshop, Cleveland, OH
Evanston Made BIPOC Members Exhibition, Evanston Art Center, Evanston, IL
Cotton: Raw Material & Precious Metaphor, The Wayback, Chicago, IL
Vax*Chi*Nation: Artist Series Exhibition, Kennedy-King College, Chicago, IL
Creating Wellness, MELLADRAMATIC, Chicago, IL

Art of Surface, Robert T. Wright Community Gallery of Art, Grayslake, IL
Out Loud, Devonshire Cultural Center, Skokie, IL
Black Creativity Exhibition, Museum of Science & Industry, Chicago, IL
EAC Faculty Exhibition, Evanston Art Center, Evanston, IL

2021 **Evanston Made Pop-Up Exhibition**, 921 Church St., Evanston, IL
Day Marks, 68 Jay St. #603, Brooklyn, NY
Fluffy Crimes #6, Fluffy Crimes, Chicago, IL
HATCH: I Sense Something Has Changed, Chicago Artists Coalition, Chicago, IL
Purely Abstract – Online Exhibition, Las Laguna Art Gallery, Laguna Beach, CA
Cotton: Raw Material & Precious Metaphor, Room482, Brooklyn, NY
Evanston Made Members Exhibition, Evanston Art Center, Evanston, IL

2020 **Evanston Made Members Online Exhibition**, Online Exhibition
Evanston Art Center Faculty Exhibition, Evanston Art Center, Evanston, IL
Superdomestic! - Asukal*Space Exhibition, Online Exhibition

2019 **Bridgeport 2019: Exhibition of Works by BAC Tenants**, Bridgeport Art Center, Chicago, IL

2014 **Spring 2014 Undergraduate Exhibition**, Sullivan Galleries at SAIC, Chicago, IL
New Heirs, Rational Park, Chicago, IL

2013 **The School of the Art Institute of Chicago 2013**, Kriti Gallery, Varanasi, India

2012 **Weave Maker Pro**, The Plains Project, Chicago, IL

CURATORIAL PROJECTS

2023 **The We Were Never Alone Project Exhibition**, The Other Art Fair, Chicago, IL

2021 **Woven Stories**, Open Studio Project's Gallery 901, Evanston, IL

PUBLIC COMMISSIONS

2024 **Design Museum of Chicago 10th Anniversary**, The Merchandise Mart, Chicago, IL

2022 **Design Museum of Chicago 10th Anniversary**, The Design Museum of Chicago, Chicago, IL
The Elizabeth Morse Multisensory Gallery in The Ryan Learning Center,
The Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL

2021 **Protect Chicago – Artist Vaccination Campaign**, The Design Museum of Chicago &
Chicago DCASE, Chicago, IL

COLLECTIONS

Delta Airlines, Inc., O'Hare International Airport – Terminal 5 Delta SkyClub, Chicago, IL

Private Collections

AWARDS, RESIDENCIES & FELLOWSHIPS

- 2023 Winter Pentaculum - Fiber, **Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts**, Gatlinburg, TN
- 2022 August Artist-in-Residence, **Surf Point Foundation**, York, ME
- 2022 Summer Residential Fellowship, **Lunder Institute for American Art**, Waterville, ME
- 2021 Gallery 901 Award, **Open Studio Project**, Evanston, IL
- 2021/22 HATCH Residency, **Chicago Artist Coalition**, Chicago, IL
- 2020 Remote W.A.R.P 2020 Residency, **The Weaving Mill**, Chicago, IL
- 2009 Merit Scholarship Recipient, **School of the Art Institute of Chicago**, Chicago, IL

MEMBERSHIPS & COMMITTEES

- 2021 - present Education Committee Member, **Surface Design Association**
- 2020 - present Member, **Surface Design Association**
- 2020 - present Member, **Evanston Made**, Evanston, IL
- 2019 - 2021 Member, **Weavers Guild of the North Shore**, Chicago, IL

PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

- 2023 - present Teaching Artist, **Awakenings**, Chicago, IL
- 2021 - 2022 Teaching Artist, **Open Studio Project**, Evanston, IL
- 2019 - 2022 Teaching Artist, **Evanston Art Center**, Evanston, IL
- 2018 - present Teaching Artist, **The Art Institute of Chicago**, Chicago, IL
- 2016 Instructor, **After School Matters**, Chicago, IL
- 2015 - 2016 Instructor, **Urban Threads Studio**, Chicago, IL

ARTIST TALKS & PANELS

- 2024 *Textiles & Tea: Bryana Bibbs*, **Handweavers Guild of America, Inc.**
- 2023 *Form, Color, and Material*, **The Weavers Guild of the North Shore**, Chicago, IL
Pinterest Bespoke Dinner and Inspiration Series, **Pinterest** – Chicago, IL
- 2022 *Ritual in Art Making and Healing* – Art Therapy Dept., Melissa Molitor, **SAIC**, Chicago, IL
Bryana Bibbs – Artist Talk, **Cincinnati Weavers Guild**, Cincinnati, OH
Artists in Conversation – Chicago Textile Week, **Retreat at Currency Exchange**, Chicago, IL

- 2021 *Ritual in Art Making and Healing* – Art Therapy Dept., Melissa Molitor, **SAIC**, Chicago, IL
Graduation Gathering – Panel Discussion, **Textile Society of America**
Night Visions: Bryana Bibbs, **Art Encounter** – Evanston, IL
Introduction to Art, Rachael Mayer, **The College of Idaho**, Caldwell, ID
- 2020 *ART 222- Introduction to Textile Art*, Bronwyn Dexter, **San Francisco State University**
Power Trip – Solo Exhibition Talk, **ARC Gallery**, Chicago, IL

ARTIST WORKSHOPS

- 2024 *Woven Abstractions*, **Awakenings**, Chicago, IL
Artist Workshop, **Dett Elementary - Design Museum of Chicago**, Chicago, IL
Weaving Workshop with Bryana Bibbs, **Chesterton Art Center**, Chesterton, IN
- 2023 *Experimental Weaving with Bryana Bibbs*, **Chicago Public Library & YOUmedia**
Woven Abstractions, **Awakenings**, Chicago, IL
Weaving, **Crafting the Future – Appalachian Center for Craft**, Smithville, TN
Tapestry Weaving, **Praxis Fiber Workshop**, Cleveland, OH
Artist Workshop, **Dett Elementary - Design Museum of Chicago**, Chicago, IL
- 2022 *Experimental Weaving with Bryana Bibbs*, **Evanston Public Library**, Evanston, IL
Weaving on a Cardboard Loom, **Chicago Public Library**, Chicago, IL
Storytelling with Textiles, **Colby College Museum of Art**, Waterville, ME
Envisioning Justice –Workshop Series, **Design Museum of Chicago**, Chicago, IL
Weaving on a Cardboard Loom, **Indiana University Northwest**, Gary, IN
- 2021 *Weaving Workshop*, **Miller/Knoll - Fulton Market**, Chicago, IL
Teaching by Design – Weaving Workshop, **Frank Lloyd Wright Trust**, Chicago, IL
Weaving Workshop, **Design Museum of Chicago**, Chicago, IL
Virtual Weaving Workshop, **Sarah's Inn**, Chicago, IL
Teaching by Design – Virtual Weaving Workshop, **Frank Lloyd Wright Trust**
- 2020 *After School Matters – Virtual Weaving Workshop*, **The Art Institute of Chicago**
Radical Fit – Virtual Teen Art Programming, **Chicago Public Library & YOUmedia**
Re:treat – A Two Day Self-Care Conference, **Design Museum of Chicago**
Odyssey 2020, **Stevenson High School**, Lincolnshire, IL
Textile Design, **Columbia College Chicago**, Chicago, IL

PUBLICATIONS & PRESS

Jen Torwudzo-Stroh, [Breakout Artists 2024: Chicago's Next Generation of Image Makers](#), **Newcity Magazine**, April 2, 2024

Jen Torwudzo-Stroh, [Breakout Artists 2024: Chicago's Next Generation of Image Makers](#), **Newcity Magazine**, April 2024, pages 42 - 44

Places (Edition 1) Bryana Bibbs Catalogue, **Tiger Strikes Asteroid - Chicago**, March 2024

Vasia Rigou, **Newcity Magazine - Design**, [Jazz-Inspired Design: Ten Things to See at A Love Supreme—McCormick House Reimagined](#), February 23, 2024

Design Miami, [The Buzz! February 2024](#), February 4, 2024

Larry Brechner, **ART ON THE AIR – Lakeshore Public Media (PBS/NPR) - Radio**, Feb. 2, 2024 & Feb. 4, 2024

LaPorte County Herald-Dispatch, [CAC to exhibit work from Chicago artist Bryana Bibbs](#), December 26, 2023

Vasia Rigou, **Newcity Magazine - Art**, [Inside the Weave: A Conversation with Bryana Bibbs about “\(Places\) Edition 1” at Tiger Strikes Asteroid](#), October 12, 2023

Jorge S. Arango, **The Portland Press Herald**, [Art review: Diversity of contemporary art scene demonstrated by 3 shows](#), May 7, 2023

Jen Torwudzo-Stroh, **Sixty Inches From Center**, [Artistic Meditation: Bryana Bibbs Explores Personal Narrative Through the Intersection of Weaving and Painting](#), April 2023

Vasia Rigou, **Newcity Magazine - Art**, [One Step at a Time: A Review of Bryana Bibbs “Numb” at Oliva Gallery](#), April 2023

Chicago Gallery News, [Spring 2023 Preview](#), April 2023

Visualist Chicago, **Bad at Sports**, [Top V. Weekend Picks \(4/6-4/12\) | #1. Bryana Bibbs - Numb](#), April 2023

Xiao Faria daCunha, **Urban Matter**, [8 Spring Art Exhibitions in Chicago to Mark on Your Calendar](#), March 2023

Audrina Bigos, **CBS2 Chicago**, [For Chicago artist, weaving textiles is a 'cathartic release' after years of trauma](#), March 27, 2023

Anela Gallegos, **The Lantern – Colby Museum of American Art**, [Questions and Answers: Interview with Bryana Bibbs](#), September 2022

Linda Marcus, **Artdose Magazine** (Volume #33), *Telling a Story Through Color*, July 2022

Ally Fouts, **Newcity Magazine - Art**, [Iterative Art: A Review of Layer, Mark, Repeat at Chicago Artists Coalition](#), June 2022

Victoria J. Fry, **New Visionary: Leading Magazine for Visionary Artists + Educators**, *Issue #1*, January 19, 2022

Visualist Chicago, **Bad at Sports**, [Top V. Weekend Picks \(1/7-1/12\) | #4. Bryana Bibbs - \(un\)disclosed](#), January 2022

Ella Jefferies, **The Daily Northwestern**, [Chicago-based textile artist Bryana Bibbs documents her life in journal series weavings](#), January 2022

Jean Cunningham, **Evanston Roundtable**, [The Art of Making Art: Bryana Bibbs](#), Dec. 2022

Robyn Love, **Small Things Brought Together**, [Season 3 – Episode 4, Bryana Bibbs](#), October 2021

Janine Vangool, **UPPERCASE Magazine**, *Issue #50, What a Relief!*, July 2021

Sam Stroozas, **Evanston Roundtable**, [Weaving Workshops for Domestic Violence Abuse Victims and Survivors Provides Much Needed Support](#), June 2021

Cotton: Raw Material & Precious Metaphor Catalogue, **The Weaving Mill**, May 2021

Rachel Snack, **Weaver House Co. | Material Culture Podcast**, [Episode 5: Healing in Community](#), May 2021

Rowan Beard, **SAIC News**, [How Alum Bryana Bibbs Supports Victims of Domestic Violence Through Weaving](#), April 2021

Jamie Chalmers, **MrXStitch Blog**, [#amplifymelanted stitchers – Bryana Bibbs](#), March 2021

LaChaun Moore, **Gist Yarn | Weave Podcast**, [Episode 135: Weaving Journals and Personal Life Struggles with Bryana Bibbs](#), March 2021

Laya Neelakandan, **The Daily Northwestern**, [Evanston Made highlights Black artists during Black History Month](#), February 2021

Jordana Martin & Jessie Mordine Young, **Tatter Library**, [Tatter, Issue 1: Isolation, The Quarantine Series](#), November 2020

Nikita Richardson, **The Strategist | New York Magazine**, [The Best Yarns for Every Kind of Craft, According to the Experts](#), October 2020

Paolo Arao, **The Coastal Post**, [Bryana Bibbs interviewed by Paolo Arao](#), September 2020

Victoria J. Fry, **Visionary Art Collective**, [Artist + Educator Based in Chicago](#), July 2020

Kayla Levy, **The Strategist | New York Magazine**, [Everything You Need to Weave, According to the Artists](#), July 2020

Rachel Snack, **Warp & Weft Magazine**, [Field Notes: Bryana Bibbs](#), July 2020

Merra Vohra, **Times of India**, *Art Works in Banaras*, January 26, 2013