

**CLAIRE ANKENMAN**

Born: Victoria, Texas 1947  
Currently lives and works in Houston, Texas

**Education**

1985-91 Glassell School of Art, Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, TX  
1969 BS in Elementary Education, University of Texas, Austin, TX

**Selected Solo Exhibitions**

2021 *The Shaping of Color and Light*, Moody Gallery, Houston, TX  
2018 *Ideal Dream*, Moody Gallery, Houston, TX  
2010 *Phase*, Moody Gallery, Houston, TX  
2008 *Slices*, Moody Gallery, Houston, TX  
1999 *Veil*, New Gallery, Houston, TX  
*Threads of Memory*, Galveston Art Center, Galveston, TX  
1996 *Spinning Areolas*, New Gallery, Houston, TX  
1995 *Personal Effects*, New Gallery, Houston, TX  
1992 *Introductions*, New Gallery, Houston, TX

**Selected Group Exhibitions**

2025 *50th Anniversary Exhibition, Part II*, Moody Gallery, Houston, TX  
2022 *Contemporary Texas Women Artists: Abstraction Here and Now*, Art Museum of Southeast Texas, Beaumont, Texas, Curator: Caitlin Clay  
*Texas Artists: Women of Abstraction*, Art Museum of South Texas, Corpus Christi, TX, Curator: Deborah Fullerton  
2021 *8th Annual Texas Juried Exhibition* July 10 - August 28 & *TEXAS NOW online SHOWCASE*, August 20 – September 19, Artspace111, Ft. Worth, TX, Curator: Caleb Bell  
2018-19 *Alumni Review 1: 1960-2010*, The Glassell School of Art, The Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, Houston, TX  
2016 *Twenty Five: A Conclusion*, Galveston Arts Center, Galveston, Texas, Curator: Clint Willour  
2015-16 *40th Anniversary Exhibition*, Moody Gallery, Houston, TX  
2014 *Creation or Evolution – The Artistic Journey*, Carolyn Garcia Gallery & Museum District Eye Center, Houston, TX  
2013-14 *A Tender Place*, Williams Tower Gallery, Houston, Texas  
2010 *35 Years: Anniversary Exhibition*, Moody Gallery, Houston, TX  
2009 *Fleeting*, Williams Tower Gallery, Houston, TX, curator: Sally Sprout  
2004 *Miniatures*, Invitational Exhibition, Hooks-Epstein Gallery, Houston, TX  
2003 *Layered Evidence: Uncovering Houston*, Lawndale Art Center, Houston, TX  
*Miniatures*, Hooks-Epstein Gallery, Houston, TX

- 2002 *Texas in New York*, Stux Gallery, New York City, NY  
*Linkage/Generation3*, New Gallery, Houston, TX
- 2001 *Episodes*, Conduit Gallery, Dallas, TX  
*Installation*, New Gallery, Houston, TX  
*Our Crowd Collects*, Margolis Gallery, Congregation Beth Israel, Houston, TX  
*Box Show*, Hooks-Epstein Gallery, Houston, TX
- 2000 *Houston Area Exhibition 2000*, Blaffer Gallery, University of Houston, TX  
*Recent Work*, Conduit Gallery-Annex, Dallas, TX
- 1999 *Core Program Group Exhibition*, Stark Gallery, New York City, NY  
*Installation*, New Gallery, Houston, TX  
*Texas Connection in Contemporary Art*, SFA Gallery, Stephen F. Austin University, Nacogdoches, TX  
*The Figure and the Chair*, Invitational Exhibition, Hooks–Epstein Gallery, Houston, TX
- 1998 *Members Exhibition*, Women and Their Work, Austin, TX, curator: Sue Graves  
*Selections from Women and Their Work*, J. Wayne Stark University Center Gallery, Nacogdoches, TX  
*Pulp Fictions: Works on Paper*, TFAA, J. Wayne Stark Gallery, Texas A&M, College Station, TX  
*Outrageous*, DiverseWorks, Houston, TX  
*Flesh Learns*, Art League of Houston, Houston, TX  
*Women on Woman*, New Gallery, Houston, TX  
*The Big Show*, Lawndale Art and Performance Center, Houston, TX, juror: Don Bacigalupi  
*Assistance League of Houston Celebrates Texas Art '97*, Assistance League of Houston, Houston, TX, juror: David Ross, Curator, Whitney Museum of American Art, NYC
- 1997 *Texas Wabi – Sabi*, Invitational Exhibition, Takara Gallery, Houston, TX
- 1996 *Members Exhibition*, Women and Their Work, Austin, TX, curator: Annette Carlozzi  
*The Singular Object*, Invitational Exhibition, New Gallery, Houston, TX  
*Pulp Fictions: Works on Paper*, Pulp Fiction Art On Tour Program, TFAA, Austin, TX, juror: Elizabeth Smith, Curator, MOCA, Los Angeles, CA  
*Houston Area Exhibition*, Blaffer Gallery, University of Houston, TX  
*Critic's Choice*, Dallas Visual Art Center, juror: Dana Friis-Hansen and Charles Wylie
- 1995 *The Big Show*, Lawndale Art and Performance Center, Houston, TX, curator: Paul Schimmel, Curator, MOCA, Los Angeles, CA  
*Bodies in Evidence*, Invitational Exhibition, New Gallery, Houston, TX  
*Amarillo Competition*, Amarillo Museum of Art, TX, juror: Marti Mayo  
*Urban, Suburban, Rural*, Art League of Houston, TX, juror: Ibsen Espada
- 1994 *The Box Show*, Hooks-Epstein Gallery, Houston, TX  
*Wise Women Speak*, Dallas Women's Caucus for Art, TX  
*Gallery Group Exhibition*, New Gallery, Houston, TX  
*The Big Show*, Lawndale Art and Performance Center, Houston, TX  
*Critic's Choice*, D-Art Visual Art Center, Dallas, TX  
*Miniatures*, Invitational Exhibition, Hooks-Epstein Gallery, Houston, TX
- 1993 *Visual Arts Alliance*, Two Houston Center, juror: Hiram Butler  
*Re-Making The Print*, Art League of Houston, TX  
*Back To School*, New Gallery, Houston, TX  
*Amarillo Competition*, Amarillo Museum of Art, TX, juror: Jim Edwards  
*Tenth Annual Juried Art Exhibition*, Visual Arts Alliance, Houston, TX
- 1992 *Assuming Less – Understanding More*, Women's Center, INNOVA, Houston, TX
- 1990 *Works on Paper*, Walzel's in Saks Pavilion, Houston, TX

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## Selected Public Collections

Houston Airports System, Houston, TX  
Frost Bank, San Antonio, TX  
The Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, TX  
AT&T Stadium: Dallas Cowboys Art Collection, Arlington, TX  
U.S. Trust, Dallas, TX

## **Community Involvement in the Arts**

1989-2014	Glassell School Studio Committee, Chairman (1989-2005), Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, TX
1992-1999	Glassell School Core Committee
2004-present	Glassell School Executive Committee