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Lives and works in Boston, USA

### **Education**

1980	Diploma, School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston MA
1974	Certificate in Film Production, Anthropology Film Center, Santa Fe NM
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	York, NY
1971	BA (Hons), University of California, Berkeley, CA
1967 – 1969	Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, NY

## **Teaching Positions**

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## Selected Solo and Two-Person Exhibitions

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- 2010 Invisible Cities: Paper Constructions by Heidi Whitman, Gallery Benoit, Boston, MA
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- 2004 **Radical Corpus Cartographies: Sculpture by Miriam Bloom and Paintings by Heidi Whitman**, Beard Gallery, Wheaton College, Norton MA, until 2005
- 2003 Heidi Whitman: Brain Terrain, Paintings and Drawings, NAO Project Gallery, Boston MA
- 2001 Heidi Whitman, Brainstorm: An Installation of Drawings, Nesto Gallery, Milton Academy, Milton MA
- 2001 Heidi Whitman, Brainstorm: New Works on Paper, South End Gallery, Boston Public Library, Boston MA
- 1999 Heidi Whitman, Heads: Works on Paper, Lillian Immig Gallery, Emmanuel College, Boston MA
- 1998 Heidi Whitman, Acacia Gallery, Gloucester MA
- 1994 Heidi Whitman: New Paintings Eye of the Beholder Series, Trustman Art Gallery, Simmons College, Boston MA
- 1991 Heidi Whitman: Paintings and Drawings 1980–1990, St. Botolph Club, Boston MA
- 1988 Heidi Whitman: Paintings on Paper, Thomas Segal Gallery, Boston MA
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- 1983 Heidi Whitman: Recent Watercolours, Thomas Segal Gallery, Boston MA

#### Selected Group Exhibitions

- 2016 AAF Hampstead, TAG Fine Arts, London
- 2016 **AAF New York**, TAG Fine Arts, Metropolitan Pavilion, New York
- 2014 London Art Fair, TAG Fine Arts, Islington, London
- 2013 Fictional Geographies, Whitespace, Atlanta GA
- 2013 The 23<sup>rd</sup> Drawing Show, Mills Gallery, Boston Center for the Arts, Boston MA
- 2013 Are We Where Yet?, A.I.R. Gallery, Brooklyn NY
- 2012 **The Map as Art**, co-curated by Barbara O'Brien and Katharine Harmon, Kemper Museum of Contemporary Art, Kansas City MO
- 2012 **The House of Fairy Tales Cartographic Portfolio**, TAG Fine Arts, Hall Place Bexley, and Sutton House, Hackney, London
- 2012 Terrain, Spoke Gallery@ Medicine Wheel Productions, Boston MA
- 2011 The Art of Mapping, TAG Fine Arts, London, UK
- 2011 You Aren't Here: Artists' Maps of Personal Spaces, Paper Hammer, Seattle WA

- 2011 Ground Truth: Mapping the Senses / Charting Experience, Housatonic Museum, Bridgeport CT
- 2010 SCOPE Miami, Christopher Henry Gallery
- 2009 The Map As Art, Christopher Henry Gallery, New York NY
- 2009 Black, White, Color, Shape, Nesto Gallery, Milton Academy, Milton MA
- 2009 10th Anniversary Exhibition, Boston Drawing Project, Carroll and Sons, Boston MA
- 2008 Mind Matters, Laconia Gallery, Boston MA
- 2008 New England/New Talent, Fitchburg Art Museums, Fitchburg MA
- 2008 Lost in Place, Trustman Gallery, Simmons College, Boston MA
- 2007 Mapping the Terrain: New Directions in Abstract Painting, Southeastern Louisiana University Contemporary Art Gallery, Hammond LA
- 2006 One of a Kind, John Michael Kohler Arts Center, Sheboygan WI
- 2006 Size Matters, RHYS Gallery, Boston MA (juried by Barbara Lee and William Stover)
- 2006 JUJU, bf Annex, Boston MA
- 2005 The Cartographic Impulse: Selections from the Pierogi Flatfile, Pierogi, Brooklyn NY
- 2005 **Mapping**, Clark University, Worcester MA
- 2004 New Work, New Faces, Boston Drawing Project, Bernard Toale Gallery, Boston MA
- 2004 **Refigured**, McMullen Museum of Art, Boston College, Chestnut Hill MA
- 2003 **South Enders 2**, Mills Gallery, Boston Center for the Arts, Boston MA (juried by Ambreen Butt and James Hull)
- 2002 **South Enders**, Mills Gallery, Boston Center for the Arts, MA (juried by Annette Lemieux)
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- 2000 Sum + Substance: Drawings by 6 Artists, Widener Gallery, Trinity College, Hartford CT
- 2000 **10 x 10: 10 Artists, 10 Years, 100 Portraits**, New England School of Art and Design at Suffolk University, Boston MA
- 2000 Vital Signs: Drawing As Inquiry, Creative Arts Workshop, New Haven CT (juried by Robert Reed, Professor of Art at Yale University)
- 1999 What Jack Built: Work by Jack Clift and Eight of his Former Students, New Art Center, Newton MA
- 1998 A Salute to Boston, Wiggins Gallery, Boston Public Library, Boston, MA
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- 1997 The "Dainty" Hand, Tisch Gallery, Aidekman Art Center, Tufts University, Medford MA
- 1997 Alone Together, New Art Center, Newton MA
- 1995 Is This Postmodernism? Copley Society, Boston MA
- 1994 **Museum School and Tufts University: 50 Years of Collaboration**, Tisch Gallery, Aidekman Art Center, Tufts University, Medford MA
- 1992 Boston Master Drawings, Thomas Segal Gallery, Boston MA
- 1989 Faculty Show, School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston MA
- 1988 Selections from the Permanent Collection, Fuller Art Museum, Brockton MA
- 1987 **Fifth Brockton Triennial**, Fuller Art Museum, Brockton MA
- 1987 Six Realities, University Art Galleries, University of New Hampshire, Durham NH
- 1986 Miniatures, Thomas Segal Gallery, Boston MA
- 1986 Inaugural, Thomas Segal Gallery, Boston MA
- 1983 **Traveling Scholars (Clarissa Bartlett Traveling Scholarship Recipients)**, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston MA
- 1983 Lofty Views and Heightened Perspectives, Cambridge Arts Council, Cambridge MA
- 1983 Watercolour: New Approaches, Montserrat School of Art, Beverly MA
- 1983 Landscapes Reinterpreted, First National Bank of Boston, Boston MA
- 1981 New Talent, Alpha Gallery, Boston MA
- 1981 City, Land, Sea, Impressions Gallery, Boston MA
- 1981 Scapism, Boston College, Chestnut Hill MA
- 1981 Watercolour, Nesto Gallery, Milton Academy, Milton MA

#### Awards and Residencies

- 2009 Residency, Can Serrat International Art Centre, El Bruc, Spain
- 2009 Faculty Enrichment Grant, School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston MA
- 2006 2008 Public art commission, Jill Brown-Rhone Park, Cambridge Arts Council, Cambridge MA

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- 2013 Federica Sala, ed., Geo-Graphic, Index Book, Barcelona, Spain
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## About the Artist

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