

NATALIA KOREN KROPF

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New York-based contemporary artist, working in mixed media, drawing, painting, printmaking, and sculpture.

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Born and raised in St. Petersburg, Russia, into a family of artists, Natalia's formal studies started at the esteemed St.Petersburg Academy of Fine Arts. During these forming years, she had absorbed the European cultural traditions and the old masters school of painting, drawing, and sculpture, enhanced by the community of artists and professors at the Academy. Unfortunately, her studies were interrupted by a political crisis in 1991. Her family was able to escape to the United States.

Upon relocation to New York City, she embraced its contemporary art scene. She graduated from the Parsons School of Design, where she was offered a position as a drawing teacher, while independently continuing her education at the School of Visual Arts, and the Art Student League, experimenting with advanced printmaking techniques.

Later on, her love for form, gesture, and curvature was manifested in three-dimensional works. Starting with ceramics she transitioned to bronze sculpture with technical support and production at the Art Students League of New York.

Natalia has 30 years of continuous exhibition history, as seen in her resume.

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Natalia was always drawn to the invisible world. Once she undertook a spiritual journey, which manifested in a shifting focus on ecology in her artworks, and two diplomas, one from the Kundalini Research Institute (KRI) and another from the International Association of Yoga Therapists (IAYT). Natalia has offered additional classes at her creative studio to suit the personal goals of her students, combining Yogic principles with self-expression in a holistic form of Art therapy.

In 2010 Natalia was accepted into the National Association of Women Artists (NAWA), the oldest American Art organization founded in 1889, by women artists to promote and educate women artists, www.thenawa.org.

In 2018 Natalia was elected as President. During the tumultuous years of the Pandemic, she re-directed all operations online. She established new virtual routines as early as May 2020: the remote office protocols, monthly exhibitions, including the historical first 131st Annual Members' online Exhibition, and educational programs. Due to the real estate crisis in Manhattan, NAWA headquarters had to relocate. With the assistance of an honorary member and the Board, Natalia was instrumental in negotiating a new lease at the National Arts Club, 15 Gramercy Park South. She participated in a moving day during the December holidays in 2020. After her presidential term, Natalia remains active on the Executive Board of Directors.

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This artist has enjoyed many national and international exhibitions and garnered awards in every medium she has mastered. Her work represented in private collections in Germany, Austria, Czech Republic, Greece, Cyprus, Finland, Japan, Lesotho, Argentina, and the United States.

COLLECTIONS

Works in private residencies and collections in Germany, Austria, the Czech Republic, Greece, Cyprus, Finland, Russia, Japan, Lesotho, and the United States.

EDUCATION

The Art Students League of New York, Sculpture Studios , NYC

School of Visual Arts, advanced printmaking courses, NYC

Parsons School of Design, BFA, The New School University, NYC

St.Petersburg Academy of Fine Arts, Institute of Painting, Sculpture, and Architecture, MFA Equivalent

Classical Fine Art Lyceum, St.Petersburg, Russia

AWARDS

2024 The Art Student League of New York: Best in Show Red Dot
2023 The Art Student League: Merit Scholarship Award for 2023-24 Academic Year
2023 The Art Student League: Students Salons Honorable Mention Blue Dot
2022 Allied Artists of America for Bronze Sculpture
2021 Certificate of Excellence for Painting at the Empirical Abstraction Show
2020 Award Feature *Top Ten Artists* in Wide Walls international publication
2019 Celia Kaufman Memorial Award For Innovative Ceramic Sculpture
2018 NAWA Certificate of Excellence Award in Photography
2016 Jean M. Leeman Award for Printmaking
2014 Esther C. Gayner Memorial Award for Printmaking

EXHIBITIONS

2024 **Winter's Palette**, Salmagundi Club, NYC
2024 **Unique Impressions**, Salmagundi Club, NYC
2024 **By the Book, The Art and Text**, Westbury Arts Center, Westbury, NY
2024 CIVIC/CIVIL, Center of Contemporary Printmaking, Norwalk, CT
2024 Affordable Art Fair New York. Fall Edition. Chelsea, NYC
2024 **Juried Selection/Red Dot Show. Gallery 128**, affiliated with the Art Students League of New York
2024 Affordable Art Fair NYC. Spring Edition. Chelsea, NYC
2024-2018 Art Student League Students Salons, NYC
2024-2010 The National Association of Women Artists Annual Exhibitions since 2010.
2024 **Women that Tell the Story**, Vanda Gallery, New Rochelle, NY
2024 **Drawing Beyond the Lines.** The Factory, LIC Artists. Long Island City, NY
2024, 2023. **Spring.** Atlantic Gallery, Chelsea, NYC
2023 POWER HOUSE BROOKLYN Selected artists with MvVO group.
2023 110th Annual Exhibition of Allied Artists, Butler Institute Of American Art, Youngstown, OH
2023 Shanghai International Art Fair
2023 Spectrum Miami International Art Fair, Miami, FL
2023 NEW YORK ART EXPO. International Art Fair. Artios Gallery. Booth 411.
2023 MYTHOS. The Painting Center. New York, NY curated by Clintel Steed
2022 Paper and Wood. WAH Art Center, Brooklyn, NY curated by Yuko Nii
2022-23 Ecology. Plymouth State University, Plymouth, NH
Heritage II (April-May 2022) Queens College, NYC
Spring Art Fair (April-May 2022) Long Island City Artists, Plaxall Gallery, NYC
Mother Nature (March-May 2022) Islip Arts Council Gallery, Islip, NY
We Sudied Together (February-March 2022) at Modern Art Museum ARTMUZA, St.Petersburg, Russia

Earth.Version 2021. What will happen after? (May 14 - June 18) State Darwin Museum, Moscow, Russia

WOMXN (March 20 - May 2, 2021) Marblehead Arts Association (MAA), Marblehead, MA

ECO ART Project <https://www.ecoartdatabase.org/en/artist/natalia-kropf/detail>

Heritage. Long Island City Artists (March 2021) online <https://www.licartists.org/>

HERstory. Special Women. (March-May 2021) Celebrating Women online show <https://thenawa.org/>

Time for Air. SOLO Exhibition. (Nov14-Dec18,2020) Modern Art Museum ARTMUZA, St.Petersburg, Russia

RAVE MIAMI VIRTUAL ART FAIR (December 2020) #RedwoodArtGroup #RAVEMiami #RAVE

International Printmaking Biennale 2020 (June 12-September 14, 2020) @Engravist, Istanbul, Turkey

Heritage SOLO (June-July 2020) Artios Gallery, NYC

Kreuz 5 (December 2019 - February 2020) Kreuzeskirche, Essen, Germany

Pressed and Waxed (December 2019) NAWA Gallery, NYC

Joyous Light (November 2019-February 2020) William Edward Gallery Fairleigh Dickinson University, NY

Traveling Through The Light (October 2019) Tenri Cultural Center, NYC

International Miniature Print Exhibition (October - November 2019) Awagami Factory Art Space, Inbe, Japan

NAWA Annual Members' Exhibition (October 2019) One Art Space, NYC

Works On Paper (August 2019) 1199SEIU Bread and Roses Cultural Project, NYC

In Search Of An Illusion: A Retrospective Of Change (May 2019) Tenri Cultural Center, NYC

Line and Shade (May 2019) NAWA Gallery, New York

The Geometry of Movement SOLO (March 2019) Spencer Pilates Arts, Forest Hills, NY

The Art of Layering (March 2019) NAWA Gallery, NYC

Visual Biography: Women's Narrative (March 2019) Grand Central Library NYC, New York Public Library

Transparency (February 2019) The Arts Club of Washington, DC

At the Moment: Sculpture and Painting Able Fine Art Gallery (December 2018)

Expanding the Narrative Grand Central Library NYC (October 2018-January 2019)

Pressing Matters (September - November 2018) Lynn Arts Museum, MA

NAWA Annual Members' Exhibition (October 2018) 195 Chrystie Street Gallery, NYC

The Uncompromised Power of Artists (May 2018) Tenri Cultural Center, NYC

Ev(ol)ution VIII: Migration (March 2018) Riverside Library, New York Public Library, NYC

Recent Works CERAMIC Sculpture (March 2018) Art Students League of New York, NYC

Celebrate Women! Women History Month March 2018 NAWA Gallery, NYC

Shelter (March 2018) Harlem School of the Arts, NYC

AWAY! (July -September 2017) Mulberry Street Library, New York Public Library, NYC

Evolution VI & VII: (March 2016, 2017) Riverside Library, New York Public Library, NYC

COLD (January 2017), NAWA Gallery NYC

CELEBRATE! (November -December 2016), Mulberry Street Library, New York Public Library, NYC

Crossing Boundaries (December 2016), West Palm Beach, Florida

Women Artists Coast to Coast - WEST (October 2016-January 2017) Seattle, WA

RISE UP! (September-November 2016) Mansion at Strathmore, North Bethesda, MD

Collective Discipline (February -May 2016) online show of Contemporary Decorative Arts

Renaissance Women (March-May 2016) Travelling Show - NYC New York Public Library, NYC

The Art of Printed Matter Williamsburg Art & Historical Center (September 2014, 2015), Brooklyn, NY

Bent on Learning Inspire! Gala (December 2013) Prince Edward Ballroom, New York, NY

Endurance New Century Artists (December 2012) Chelsea, NYC

NAWA Annual Members' Show Sylvia Wald and Po Kim Gallery (October 2011-2017) NYC

Second Summer Showcase Exhibition NAWA Gallery (July 2012), NYC

Panorama Center for Contemporary Printmaking (April- May 2012) Norwalk, CT

Monotype: The Literate Print Carolyn Jenkins Gallery at the Estate (March 2012), Concord, NH

Small Works Winter NAWA Gallery (February 2012), NYC

Together New Century Artists Gallery (March 2011) Chelsea, NYC

New Members Show NAWA Gallery (November 2010), NYC

Small Works on Paper Blue Mountain Gallery (August 2010) Chelsea, NYC

The World of Artists International Show Howland Cultural Center (May-June 2010) Beacon, NY

Members Show Center for Contemporary Printmaking (June-August 2009) Norwalk, CT

Inner Views New Century Artists Gallery (May 2008) Chelsea, NYC

Tete-a-Tete Center for Contemporary Printmaking (June-August 2008) Norwalk, CT

Holiday Show New Century Artists Gallery (December 2007) Chelsea, NYC

I Wish You Were Here A.I.R. Gallery (July 2007) Chelsea, NYC

Perspectives New Century Artists (June 2007) Chelsea, NYC

Blue Center for Contemporary Printmaking (June-August 2007) Norwalk, CT

Art of the North East Silvermine Guild Arts Center (May-June 2007) New Canaan, CT

Enthusiasm New Century Artists (November 2006) Chelsea, NYC

Invitational Blue Mountain Gallery (August 2006, 2007, 2012, 2015) Chelsea, NYC

One Event All About Glamour (June 2006) Williamsburg, NYC

I Wish You Were Here A.I.R. Gallery (June 2006) Chelsea, NYC

4x6 CWCC Gallery (September 2003) Chelsea, NYC

Art of the North East Silvermine Guild Arts Center (September 2000) New Canaan, CT
Small Works New York University East Galleries (January 1998,1999, 2000, 2007) NYC
Recent Works Arnold Sheila Gallery at Parsons School of Design - (April 1999) NYC
Printmaking Now Arnold Sheila Gallery at Parsons School of Design - (April 1998) NYC

CORPORATE CLIENTS:

Ralph Lauren, Victory Theater, Richter+Riter Architects & Associates, MIT, Sotheby's.

PUBLICATIONS

2024 HYPERALLERGIC Magazine. Affordable Art
2024 Wide Walls Feature, International Publication.
2023 Art Business News. New York's Artios Gallery. ArtExpo New York.
2023 Sanctuary Magazine. Interview with Editor. By Myrna Haskell.
2022 Allied Artists of America. 109th Annual Award Winners Catalog.
2021 Elysian Magazine. Unique Feature on NAWA by Suzanne Johnson. Atlanta, GA - NYC
2020 Top Ten Artists. "Focus Blue" Feature on WideWalls by Balasz Takasch
2020 National Association of Women Artists Magazine. "Red Carpet feature", NYC
2018 The High Brow Magazine. "Celebrate Women" By Sandra Bertrand, NYC
2011 "Together". Exhibition Catalog. New Century Artists, Chelsea, NYC
2010 The Art Times. "International Women Artists" in Highland Art Center, Beacon, NY

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS

National Association of Women Artists, Inc., Board of Directors, www.thenawa.org
Allied Artists of America, Elected Member www.alliedartists.org
Art Students League of New York, member www.theartstudentsleague.org
Print Club of New York, member
Artios Gallery, member www.artiosgallery.com
Monotype Guild of New England, member <https://mgne.org>
Koren Kropf Studio, Owner
Aquarian Woman Art, Founder
Art Completes You, Project Collaborator www.amazon.com › [Art-Completes-You-Transformation-Completion](https://www.amazon.com/dp/B08L3M3K3K)
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