

## SANFORD BIGGERS

Born in 1970 in Los Angeles, CA; lives and works in New York City

### Education

- 1999 Masters in Fine Art, The School of the Art Institute of Chicago, IL
- 1998 The Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture, Skowhegan, ME
- 1997 Maryland Institute of College of Art, Baltimore, MD
- 1992 Bachelor of Arts, Morehouse College, Atlanta, GA
- 1991 Syracuse University (Department of International Programs Abroad), Florence Italy

### Solo Exhibitions

- 2021 Massimo De Carlo, London, GB (forthcoming)  
The California African American Museum, CA (forthcoming)  
*Oracle*, Rockefeller Center presented by Art Production Fund in partnership with Marianne Boesky Gallery, New York, NY  
*Contra/Diction*, SCAD Museum of Art, Savannah, GA
- 2020 *Codeswitch*, The Bronx Museum, New York, NY  
Massimo de Carlo Gallery, Milan, ITL  
Contemporary Art Center, New Orleans, LA  
*Soft Truths*, Marianne Boesky, New York, NY
- 2019 *Afropick*, Cantor Arts Center, Stanford University, CA  
Vex, Baldwin Gallery, Aspen, CO  
David Castillo Gallery, Miami, FL
- 2018 moniquemeloche, Chicago, IL  
Contemporary Art Museum, Saint Louis, MO; travels to Chazen Art Museum, Madison, WI (summer 2019) and Tufts University, Medford, MA (October, 2019)  
*Sanford Biggers: Falk Visiting Artist*, Weatherspoon Art Museum, Greensboro, NC  
For Freedoms, *Just Us*, Charleston, WV
- 2017 *Selah*, Marianne Boesky Gallery, New York, NY
- 2016 *Subjective Cosmology*, Museum of Contemporary Art Detroit, Detroit, MI  
*Hither and Yon*, Massimo De Carlo Gallery, London, UK  
*NEW/NOW*, New Britain Museum of American Art, New Britain, CT  
*the pasts they brought with them*, moniquemeloche, Chicago, IL  
*Laocoön*, Cressman Center for Visual Arts, University of Louisville, Louisville KY
- 2015 *Matter*, David Castillo Gallery, Miami Beach, FL
- 2014 *Shuffle & Shake*, Everson Museum of Art, Syracuse, NY  
*3 Dollars & 6 Dimes*, David Castillo Gallery, Miami, FL  
Vex, Baldwin Gallery, Aspen, COS  
*Ago: on the wall*, moniquemeloche, Chicago, IL  
*Danpatsu*, Montclair Art Museum, Montclair, NJ
- 2012 *Codex*, Ringling Museum, Sarasota, FL; travels to Virginia Commonwealth University of the Arts, Anderson Gallery, Richmond, VA (2013)  
*The Cartographer's Conundrum*, Mass MoCA, North Adams, MA
- 2013 *Dark Star*, Eric Firestone Gallery, East Hampton, NY  
*Sugar, Pork, Bourbon*, Massimo de Carlo Gallery, Milan, Italy
- 2011 *Sweet Funk: An Introspective Survey*, Brooklyn Museum of Art, New York, NY    *Cosmic Voodoo Circus*, Sculpture Center, New York, NY
- 2010 *Moon Medicine*, Contemporary Arts Forum, Santa Barbara, CA
- 2009 *Constellation (Stranger Fruit)*, Harvard Office of the Arts, Cambridge, MA *Blossom*. Portland Art Museum, Portland, OR *Peculiar Institutions*, Solvent Space. Richmond, VA
- 2008 *Sanford Biggers*, D'Amelio Terras Gallery, New York, NY
- 2007 *Blossom*, Grand Arts, Kansas City, MO
- 2006 *Freedom and Other Seldom Travelled Roads*, Mary Goldman Gallery, Los Angeles, CA  
*Notions*, Kenny Schachter Rove, London, UK

**Selected Solo Exhibitions Continued**

- 2005 *The Afronomical Way*, Centre for Contemporary Art Ujazdowski Castle, Warsaw, Poland  
*New Work*, Triple Candie, New York, NY
- 2004 *Sanford Biggers*, Mary Goldman Gallery, Los Angeles, CA  
*Both/And Not Either/Or*, Contemporary Art Center Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH
- 2002 *Creation/Dissipation*, Trafo Gallery, Budapest Hungary  
*Afro Temple*, Contemporary Arts Museum, Houston, TX  
*Psychic Windows*, Matrix Gallery, Berkeley Art Museum, Berkeley, CA (catalog)

**Selected Group Exhibitions**

- 2020 *Prospect V*, New Orleans, LA  
*Riffs and Relations: African American Artists and the European Modernist Canon*, Phillips Collection, Washington DC
- 2019 *Henzel Studio Collaboration*, THE NEW Gallery, Los Angeles, CA  
*Figuring the Floral*, Wave Hill, Bronx, NY  
*Less is a Bore: Maximalist Art and Design*, Institute of Contemporary Art, Boston, MA  
*Get Up, Stand Up Now: Generations of Black Creative Pioneers*, Somerset House, London, UK  
*America Will Be!: Surveying the Contemporary Landscape*, Dallas Museum of Art, TX  
*Can't be greedy... You gotta take some, and leave some*, Het HEM Museum, Amsterdam  
*In Plain Sight*, Henry Art Gallery, Seattle, WA  
*The Academic Body*, American Academy in Rome, ITL  
*Lines of Fracture*, David Castillo Gallery, Miami, FL  
*Messengers: Artists as Witnesses*, University of New Hampshire Museum of Art, NH
- 2018 *MAD Collects: The Future of Craft Part 1*, Museum of Art and Design, New York  
*Open Spaces*, Kansas City, MO  
*Sculpture Milwaukee*, Milwaukee, WI  
*Cinque Mostre 2018 – The Tesseract*, American Academy in Rome, Rome  
*Black Value – Exhibition of Rome Prize Fellows*, Fondazione Biagiotti Progetto Arte, Florence  
*2018 Invitational Exhibition of Visual Arts*, American Academy of Arts and Letters, New York, NY  
*Surface/Depth: The Decorative after Miriam Schapiro*, Museum of Arts and Design, New York  
Tulsa, OK, Philbrook Museum of Art, Remember This  
*In terms of collage*, David Castillo Gallery, Miami, FL  
*From Enslavement to Mass Incarceration*, The Legacy Museum, Birmingham, AL  
*RESPECT: Hip-Hop Style & Wisdom*, Oakland Museum of California, Oakland, CA
- 2017 *Lines of Influence*, SCAD Museum of Art, Savannah, GA  
*Artists as Innovators: Celebrating Three Decades of NYSCA/NYFA Fellowships*, Samuel Dorsky Museum of Art, The State University of New York at New Paltz, , curated by Judith K. Brodsky and David C. Terry; Traveled to Cortland, NY, Dowd Gallery, The State University of New York at Cortland ,Traveling to Alfred, NY, Fosdick-Nelson Gallery, Alfred University, September 14 – October 19, 2018; Fredonia, NY, Cathy and Jesse Marion Art Gallery, The State University of New York at Fredonia, January 22 – March 10, 2019; Stony Brook, NY, Paul W. Zuccaire Gallery, The State University of New York at Stony Brook, October – December 2019; Valhalla, NY, Center for the Arts Gallery, Westchester Community College, 2020  
*The Embedded Message: Quilting in Contemporary Art*, Visual Arts Center of Richmond, VA  
*Victory Over the Sun: The Poetics and Politics of Eclipse*, KMAC Museum, Louisville, KY  
*Say It Loud: Art, History, Rebellion*, Wright Museum of African-American History, Detroit, MI  
*Southern Accent: Seeking the American South in Contemporary Art*, Speed Art Museum, Louisville, KY  
*No burden as heavy*, David Castillo Gallery, Miami, FL  
*Jacob Lawrence: Lines of Influence*, SCAD Museum of Art, Savannah, GA  
*The Legacy of Lynching: Confronting Racial Terror in America*, Brooklyn Museum, Brooklyn, NY  
Uptown, Wallach Art Gallery at Columbia University, New York, NY  
*The Legacy of Lynching: Confronting Racial Terror in America*, Brooklyn Museum, Brooklyn, NY  
*Talking Pictures: Camera-Phone Conversations Between Artists*, Met Fifth Avenue, New York

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- 2021 *The Dirty South: Contemporary Art, Material Culture, and the Sonic Impulse*, Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, Richmond, VA
- 2020 *Unobstructed Views*, in collaboration with the Museum of Contemporary Art Detroit and Library Street Collective, Historic W. Hawkins Ferry House, Grosse Point Shores, MI  
*Maker, Maker*, curated by Paul Laster & René Riccardo, Children's Museum of the Arts, NY
- 2016 *THE TYRANNY OF COMMON SENSE HAS REACHED ITS FINAL STAGE*, curated by Tomas Vu & Rirkrit Tiravanija, LeRoy Neiman Gallery, Columbia University, New York, NY  
*Person of the Crowd: The Contemporary Art of Flânerie*, The Barnes Foundation, Philadelphia  
*Jacob Lawrence: Lines of Influence*, SCAD Museum of Art, Savannah, GA  
*In Context: Africans in America*, Goodman Gallery, Johannesburg, South Africa  
*Hateful Things*, De Pree Art Center & Gallery, Hope College, Holland, MI  
*Southern Accent: Seeking the American South in Contemporary Art*, Nasher Museum of Art at Duke University, Durham, NC; travels to Speed Art Museum, Louisville, KY  
*The Nest*, Katonah Museum of Art, Katonah, NY  
*Sanford Biggers and Ebony G. Patterson*, moniquemeloche LES, New York, NY
- 2015 *Homegrown: The School of the Art Institute in the Permanent Collection*, The Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL  
*She Sells Sea Shells By the Sea Shore*, Eric Firestone Gallery, Easthampton, NY  
*The Freedom Principle: Experiments in Art and Music, 1965 to Now*, Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL; travels to ICA, Philadelphia, PA (2016-2017)  
*Civilization and Its Discontents: SAIC 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Alumni Exhibition*, SAIC Sullivan Galleries, Chicago, IL  
*Piece by Piece*, Kemper Museum of Contemporary Art, Kansas City, MO  
*Matter: Sanford Biggers & Xaviera Simmons*, David Castillo Gallery, Miami, FL  
*Inaugural Exhibition*, Mémorial ACTe, Pointe-à-Pitre, Guadeloupe  
*New Ways of Seeing: Cultural Hybridity and Aesthetic Liberty*, Dorsky Gallery, curated by Jan Castro, Long Island City, NY  
*Respond*, Smack Mellon Studios, Brooklyn, NY  
*Wild Noise: Artwork from The Bronx Museum of the Arts and El Museo Nacional de La Habana*, The Bronx Museum, Bronx, NY  
*Bring in the Reality*, Nathan Cummings Foundation, New York, NY  
*Pilgrimage Dun Huang – First International City Sculpture Exhibition*, Architectural Society of China, Dun Huang, China  
*POP Stars! Popular Culture and Contemporary Art*, 21c Durham, NC  
*Building a Collection*, Kemper Museum of Contemporary Art, Kansas City, MO
- 2014 *DRAW: Mapping Madness*, Inside – Out Art Museum, Beijing, China  
*Camera as Release*, JP Morgan Chase Collection at Paris Photo, Paris, France  
*The Moment. The Backdrop. The Persona.*, Girls' Club, Fort Lauderdale, FL  
*New Bed*, Krowwork Gallery, Oakland, CA  
*Black Eyes*, ConceptNV, New York, NY  
*Unbound: Contemporary Art After Frida Kahlo*, Museum of Contemporary Art Chicago, IL  
*Amerika*, David Castillo Gallery, Miami, FL  
*Los Angeles Nomadic Division's Manifest Destiny Billboard Project*, New Orleans, LA  
*Metabolic Bodies*, David Castillo Gallery, Miami, FL  
*Two Moons on the Shore, A Wind-Up Bird in Norwegian Wood: Haruki Murakami and Contemporary Art*, Contemporary by Golcanda, Tel Aviv, Israel
- 2013 *Americana*, Perez Art Museum Miami, Miami, FL  
*Soft Pictures*, Fondazione Sandrette Re Rebaudengo, Turin, Italy  
*The Shadows Took Shape*, The Studio Museum in Harlem, New York, NY  
*Nu Age Hustle*, Momenta Art, Brooklyn, NY  
*Strut Your Stuff* curated by Ina Wudtke, HAU 1 Hebbel an Ufer, Berlin, Germany  
*Missed Connection*, Reynolds Gallery, Richmond, VA

**Selected Group Exhibitions continued**

- 2013 *Rehearsals: The Practice and Influence of Sound and Movement*, Museum of Art, Savannah College of Art and Design, Savannah, GA,  
*Honey, I Rearranged the Collection*, The Bronx Museum, Bronx, NY  
*Wayfarer: Picture Windows*, in collaboration with Hank Willis Thomas, International Center for Photography, New York, NY
- 2012 *Dark Flow Lurking*, David Castillo Gallery, Miami, FL  
*Eight Sculptors*, Paula Cooper Gallery, New York, NY  
*a small world...*, permanent collection exhibition, The Jewish Museum, NY  
*Transmission LA: AV Club*, Geffen Contemporary at MoCA, Los Angeles, CA  
*African American Art Since 1950: Perspectives from the David C. Driskell Center*, David C. Driskell Center, College Park, MD  
*Contemporary Mandala: New Audiences, New Forms*, Emory University Visual Art Gallery, Atlanta, GA  
*US Embassy in Tokyo Exhibition for Ambassador John V. Roos*, Tokyo, Japan
- 2011 *The Bearden Project*, Studio Museum Harlem, New York, NY  
*15 x15*, Rush Arts Gallery, New York, NY  
*Black Sound*, White Cube, Kunstquariter Benthaniien, Berlin, Germany  
*Stargazers: Elizabeth Catlett in Conversation with 21 Contemporary Artists*, Bronx Museum of Arts, NY  
*Infinite Mirror*, Syracuse University Art Galleries, Syracuse, NY  
*Sweetcake Enso*, Village Zendo, New York, NY
- 2010 *Grains of Emptiness*, Rubin Museum of Art, New York, NY  
*Signs of Life: Ancient Knowledge in Contemporary Art*, Kunstmuseum Luzern, Lucerne, Switzerland  
*Reflection*, Nathan A. Bernstein Gallery, New York, NY  
*Resurrectine*, Feldman Gallery, New York, NY  
*Dead or Alive*, Museum of Arts and Design, New York, NY  
*Progress Reports - Art in an Age of Diversity*, Iniva, London, UK  
*Spirit Up! Event Notation and the Invocation of Spirit in Contemporary Art*. CCS Bard, Annadale-on Hudson, NY  
*Who are you close to*, JANE KIM/ thrust projects, New York, NY  
*Searching for the Heart of Black Identity*, Kentucky Museum of Art and Craft
- 2009 *30 Seconds Off an Inch*, Studio Museum in Harlem, New York, NY  
*Americana*, New Society for Fine Arts, Berlin, Germany  
*Passages, Revisiting Histories: Sanford Biggers + Andrea Geyer & Simon J. Ortiz*, Lambent Foundation, New York, NY  
*Intrinsic Trio: Biggers, Gilliam and Scott*. Goya Contemporary, Baltimore, MD  
*Dress Codes: Clothing as Metaphor*, Katonah Museum of Art, Bedford NY  
*Jack Wolgin Competition Finalists*, Tyler School of Art, Temple University, Philadelphia, PA  
*Carnival Within*, Uferhalle, Berlin, Germany  
*Hidden Cities*, Stephen Vittielo and Perrgrine Arts, Philadelphia, PA  
*2008 Prospect 1: US Biennial*. Old US Mint. New Orleans, LA  
*Nippon in Black*, Doshisha University, Kyoto, Japan  
*Unknown Pleasures*, Aspen Museum of Art. Aspen, CO  
*Into the Trees*. Art Omi. Ghent, NY  
*Shuffle*. Schloss Solitude. Stuttgart, Germany  
*NeoHooDoo: Art for a Forgotten Faith*, curated by Franklin Sirmans, Menil Collection, Houston, TX; Traveled to MoMA PS1, New York, NY and The Miami Art Museum, Miami, FL
- 2007 *Illuminations*, curated by Lucy Askew and Ben Borthwick. Tate Modern, London, UK  
*3 Day Museum*, Okinawa Museum, Okinawa, Japan  
*Performa 07*; The Performance Art Biennial. New York, NY  
*Pretty Baby*, Modern Art Museum Fort Worth, TX  
*For the Love of the Game*, The Amistad Center for Arts and Culture, Hartford, CT  
*Black Light/White Noise*. Contemporary Art Museum, Houston, TX  
*Intelligent Design*. Momenta, New York, NY

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- 2007 *The Post-Millennial Black Madonna: Paradise & Inferno*, The Museum of Contemporary African Diasporan Arts & Skylight Gallery, New York, NY  
*Searching for an Ideal Urbanity*, Akademie Schloss Solitude, Stuttgart, Germany  
*Long Night of the Museums: The Romans III— Romans by Night*, Akademie Schloss Solitude, Stuttgart, Germany
- 2006 *New York, Interrupted*. PKM Gallery, Beijing, China.  
*The Black Moving Cube: Black Figuration & The Moving Image.*, The Tate Britain, London, UK  
*Fountains*. D'Amelio Terras. New York, NY  
*Everybody Dance*. The Elizabeth Foundation of the Arts.  
*Twisted Roots*. WPA/ Corcoran & DCAC. Washington, DC.  
*Art Rock*, Rockerfeller Center, New York, NY  
*Black Alphabet*, Zacheta Gallery, Warsaw, Poland
- 2005 *D'Afrique d'Asie*, Ethan Cohen Fine Arts, New York, NY (traveling)  
*Double Consciousness: Black*  
*Here and Now*, curated by Hamza Walker, The Renaissance Society, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL
- 2004 *Join Us (Calls of Ecstasy from the Edge of Oblivion)*, Grand Arts, Kansas City, MO
- 2003 *Somewhere Better Than This Place*, Contemporary Art Center Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH  
*Black President: The Art and Legacy of Fela Kuti*, The New Museum, New York, NY  
*Shuffling the Deck*, Princeton Museum of Art, Princeton, NJ  
*The Commodification of Buddhism*, Bronx Museum, New York, NY  
*Black Belt*, The Studio Museum in Harlem, New York, NY
- 2002 *Whitney Biennial*, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY  
*Family*, Aldrich Museum of Contemporary Art, Ridgefield, CT
- 2001 *One Planet Under a Groove*, Bronx Museum, New York, NY  
*Zoning*, The Project, New York, NY  
*Freestyle*, Studio Museum in Harlem, New York, NY  
*Altoid's Curiously Strong Collection*, New Museum for Contemporary Art, New York, NY  
*Rapper's Delight*, Yerba Buena Center for the Arts, San Francisco, CA
- 2000 *Full Service*, Kenny Schachter, New York, NY

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- Sargent, Antwuan. “16-Second Video Artwork Sums Up Police Brutality”, *The Creator’s Project*, March 9.

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*Moon Medicin*, *Performa Biennial*, New York, NY
- 2018 *Moon Medicin*, The Jazz Museum, Kansas City, MO, for *Open Spaces*
- 2017 *Suburban Invasion*, with Xaviera Simmons and Michael Stablein, for *Person of the Crowd: The Contemporary Art of Flânerie*, The Barnes Foundation, New York, NY
- 2016 *Moon Medicin*, Museum of Contemporary Art Detroit, Detroit, MI  
*Moon Medicin*, *Constellation*, Chicago, IL
- 2014 *Moon Medicin*, Lincoln Center, New York, NY
- 2013 *Absolut X*, Santigold, Questlove & Sanford Biggers, Roseland Ballroom, NY
- 2012 *Mixtape by Moon Medicin*, Kentucky Museum of Art and Craft, Louisville, KY  
*Mixtape by Moon Medicin*, Hammer Museum, Los Angeles, CA
- 2011 *Mixtape by Moon Medicin*, Art Public at Art Basel, Miami, FL  
*Moon Medicine* (feat. Sanford Biggers, Imani Uzuri, Sumie Kaneko, DJ Jahi Sundance and Mark Hines), Rubin Museum of Art, New York, NY
- 2010 *Forum Lounge: Sanford Biggers* (feat. Gamelan Sinar Surya and DJ Jahi Sundance), Contemporary Arts Forum, Santa Barbara, CA
- 2009 *Stranger Fruit* (feat. Imani Uzuri), Harvard University OFA, Cambridge, MA  
*Conundrum*, curated by Rashida Bumbray, The Kitchen, New York, NY
- 2007 *The Somethin' Suite*, Performa 07, New York, NY
- 2006 *Cosmic Conundrum*, UCLA Fowler Museum, Los Angeles, CA  
*The Warsaw Pack(ed)*, Zacheta Gallery of National Art, Warsaw, Poland/ Temple Bar, Los Angeles, CA
- 2002 *Creation/Dissipation*, Trafo Art Space, Budapest, Hungary.
- 2000 *Mandala of the B-Bodhisattva*, Bronx Community College  
*OM*, Full Serve, New York, NY
- 2000 *The Art of Breaking*, Downtown Arts Festivals, New York, NY 1998  
*Slam*, CBGB's, New York, NY  
*Communication Breakdown*, Gallery 2, Chicago, IL  
*Racine des Memoirs*, Skowhegan, MI
- 1998 *Dark Magus*, CBGB's, New York, NY 1997  
*Cane Song Cycles*, Sculpture Center, New York, NY

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## Publications

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- 2015 Morill, Rebecca. Akademie X: Lessons in Art + Life. London: Phaidon Press.
- 2011 Tsai, Eugene, Arnold L. Lehman, and Gregory Volk. Sanford Biggers: Sweet Funk—An Introspective. Brooklyn: Brooklyn Museum.
- 2010 Garcia, Miki. Sanford Biggers: moon medicin. Santa Barbara: Santa Barbara Contemporary Arts Forum.
- 2009 Biggers, Sanford, Sam Gilliam, and Joyce J. Scott. Intrinsic Trio. Baltimore: Goya-Girl Press.
- 2002 Cassel Oliver, Valerie, and Franklin Simmons. Double Consciousness: Black Contemporary Art Since 1970. Houston: Contemporary Arts Museum Houston.
- 2002 Bedient, Calvin, Mark Bennett, and Jessica Hough. Family. Ridgefield: The Aldrich Contemporary Art Museum.
- Cassel Oliver, Valerie. Sanford Biggers: Afrotemple, Houston: Contemporary Arts Museum Houston.

## Selected Awards and Residencies

- 2020 Guggenheim Fellowship, New York, NY  
Visiting Artist Residency, Vermont Studio Center, Johnson, VT
- 2019 Hall of Fame Inductee, New York Foundation for the Arts, New York, NY
- 2018 Arts and Letters Award in Art, American Academy of Arts and Letters, New York, NY
- 2017 Rome Prize Fellow, American Academy in Rome, IT
- 2016 TED Fellow 2016  
Artist Residency, Atlantic Center for the Arts
- 2015 Joyce Foundation Award  
NEA Art Works Award  
Fellowship at the American Academy in Berlin  
Residency at Georgia Institute of Technology for Africa, Atlanta, GA  
Residency at ASU Gammage, Beyond Series, Tempe, AZ BET ICON MANN 28 Men of Change Award  
Residency at Georgia Institute of Technology for Africa, Atlanta, GA
- 2013 JWT's Differenter Committee's Innovators of Change Award  
Office of the Provost's Junior Faculty Grant, Columbia University, New York, NY
- 2012 Artist of the Year. Art Teachers Assoc. NY/United Federation of Teachers, New York, NY  
Fellowship at the American Academy in Berlin (to take place 2014)
- 2010 Greenfield Prize at the Hermitage Artist Retreat
- 2009 Harvard University Visiting Assistant Professor of Visual and Environmental Studies  
Harvard University's Office of Fine Arts' Artist in Residence  
Creative Time Travel Grant for Global Residency Project  
Denniston Hill Research Grant  
William H. Johnson Prize
- 2008 Creative Capital Foundation Grant
- 2007 New York Percent for the Arts Commission, New York, NY  
Art Matters Grant, New York, NY  
Akademie Schloss Solitude (residency), Stuttgart, Germany
- 2005 AIR Laboratory. Centre for Contemporary Art Ujazdowski Castle, Warsaw, Poland  
Lambent Fellowship in the Arts TIDES Foundation grant, New York, NY  
Fellow in Performance Art/Multidisciplinary Work from the New York Foundation for the Arts
- 2004 Pennies From Heaven/ New York Community Trust Grant  
2003 ARCUS Project Residency, Moriya City, Japan
- 2003 Headlands Center for the Arts/ AWAKE: "Art, Buddhism, and the Dimensions of Consciousness" (residency) San Francisco, CA
- 2002 Art In General/ Trafo Gallery Eastern European Exchange Residency, Budapest, Hungary
- 2001 Rema Hort Mann Foundation Grant, Socrates Sculpture Park Residency, Long Island City, NY

**Selected Awards and Residencies continued**

- 2001 Residency at Socrates Sculpture Park, Long Island City, NY  
2000 World Views Artist in Residence, World Trade Center, New York, NY  
Eyebeam/ New York City Annenberg Challenge for Arts Education, New York, NY (Residency in teaching at Chelsea Vocational High School)  
Studio Museum in Harlem Artists-in-Residence, New York, NY  
P.S. 1 Studio Residency, New York, NY  
1999 The School of the Art Institute of Chicago James Nelson Raymond Fellowship  
The School of the Art Institute of Chicago Graduate Incentive Scholarship 1998  
Camille Hanks-Cosby Scholarship, Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture, Skowhegan, ME  
1996 Santa Fe Public Art Fund Grant, Los Angeles, CA 1990  
Central Metals Sculpture Competition, second place, Atlanta, GA

**Visiting Artist, Critic and Lecturer**

- 2019 Lecture, Chairman's Choice Presentation, Anderson Ranch Arts Center, Aspen, CO  
Performative Lecture, Chazen Museum of Art, WI  
Artist Lecture, Brown University, Providence, RI  
Lecture, Tufts University, Medford, MA  
2017 In conversation with Saya Woolfalk, Saya Woolfalk's exhibition *ChimaCloud and the Pose System*, Leslie  
Tonkonow Artworks + Projects, New York, NY  
Panel, *Nasher Prize Dialogues: The Public Place of Sculpture*, with Pedro Reyes and Amalia Pica moderated by Pablo León de la Barra, Museo Jumex, Mexico City, Mexico  
2016 TED Talk  
2015 Panel, Conversations, Moderated by Andras Szanto, Art Basel, Miami FL  
Lecture, Beyond Series, ASU Gammage, Tempe, AZ  
Panel, MCA Talk Sanford Biggers with Romi Crawford, Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL  
2015 Lecture, Black Portraiture{s} II Conference; Florence, Italy  
Lecture, University at Austin, Austin TX  
Lecture, American Academy in Berlin, Berlin, Germany  
2014 Montclair Art Museum, Montclair, NJ  
Urban Video Project, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY  
University of Colorado Boulder, Boulder, CO  
CoHosts, Baltimore School for the Arts, Baltimore, MD  
Art in Embassies, Delegation participant, Johannesburg, South Africa  
Prompter for LaTableRonde Whitney Biennial #3: On Art as Apparatus, Critical Practices Inc, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY  
AFROPUNK panel moderated by Greg Tate, Moogfest, Asheville, NC  
Carrie Mae Weems: Live from the Guggenheim, Guggenheim Museum, New York, NY  
In conversation Sanford Biggers and Saul Williams moderated by Rujeko Hockley presented by Columbia University School of the Arts and The Studio Museum, New York, NY  
Afropunk's The Triptych screening panel, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA  
Advancing STEM Through Culturally Situated Arts Based Learning, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA  
2013 Artist Lecture, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN  
EXPO CHICAGO, SAIC sponsored /Dialogues: Sanford Biggers, Elysia Borowy-Reeder and José Lerma in conversation with Richard Holland and Duncan MacKenzie, Chicago, IL  
Afropunk's The Triptych screening panel, Philadelphia Museum of Art, Philadelphia, PA  
Columbia University Visiting Artist Lecture Series, New York, NY  
Sanford Biggers, Everard Findley & Marcus Samuelsson in conversation, moderated by Thelma Golden, Neuhouse, New York, NY  
The Verbier 3-D Residency and Sculpture Park, Verbier, Switzerland  
Bermuda National Gallery, Hamilton, Bermuda  
Now Dig This! Symposium, MoMA PS1, New York, NY

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- 2011 University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN  
Rhode Island School of Design, Providence, RI
- 2012 International Sculpture Center Conference Keynote Speaker, Chicago, IL  
Comradely Objects: Art Against Reification Conference Speaker, The New School, New York, NY  
James A. Porter Colloquium on African Art, Keynote Speaker, Howard University, Washington DC  
AICA (International Association of Art Critics) Awards Ceremony Presenter, Asia Society, New York, NY  
Ringling College, Sarasota, FL  
The University of the South, Sewanee, TN  
Anderson Ranch Summer Workshop Visiting Artist  
Art Papers Lecture Series, Emory University, Atlanta, GA
- 2011 Festival of the New Black Imagination with Wangechi Mutu and Greg Tate, Brooklyn, NY  
Brooklyn Museum Conversation with Mos Def and Marcus Samuelsson  
Food Republic Panel with Marcus Samuelsson, Dylan Ratigan and Eddie Chai, New York, NY  
Sotheby's Institute, New York, NY  
Spelman College, Atlanta, GA  
Bloomfield College, Bloomfield, NJ  
Creative Time Global Residency Talk, New York, NY
- 2010 Visiting Faculty Artist, Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture, Skowhegan, ME  
MOMA, Conversations Among Friends: with Lorraine O'Grady & RoseLee Goldberg, New York, NY
- 2010 Columbia University, Work in Progress: Conversation with Dr. Kellie Jones, New York, NY
- 2009 Revisiting Histories: A conversation between Sanford Biggers, Andrea Geyer and Simon J. Ortiz, Lambent Foundation, NY  
Harvard Art Museum/Fogg Museum, Conversation with Dr. Steven Nelson and Helen Molesworth, Cambridge, MA  
Harvard University Department of Visual and Environmental Studies, Cambridge, MA  
American University, Washington, DC  
Buddhist Sculpture Contemporary Art Forum, Victoria and Albert Museum, London, England  
Rhode Island School of Design, Providence, RI  
Maryland Institute College of Art, Baltimore, MD  
Anderson Ranch, Snowmass, CO  
Gelman Lecturer, Columbia University School of the Arts, New York, NY  
Yale University School of Art, New Haven, CT  
Pew Fellowships in the Arts Interdisciplinary Awards Panel
- 2008 SkowheganTALKS presents a dialog between artists Sanford Biggers and Paul Pfeiffer, PS1 Contemporary Art Center  
Subjective Histories of Sculpture The Sculpture lecture series presents: Sanford Biggers, Vera List Center for Art and Politics at the New School, New York, NY

## Selected Public Collections

The Altoids® Curiously Strong Collection, The New Museum, New York, NY  
America's Black Holocaust Museum, Milwaukee, WI  
The Art Institute of Chicago, IL  
The Bass Museum, Miami, FL  
Brooklyn Museum, New York, NY  
The Bronx Museum, New York, NY  
Dayton Art Institute, OH  
Dallas Museum of Art, Dallas, TX  
The Jewish Museum, New York, NY  
J.P. Morgan Corporate Collection, New York, NY  
The Legacy Museum, Montgomery, AL

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Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA  
Mémorial ACTe, Pointe-à-Pitre, Guadeloupe  
The Museum of Art and Design, New York  
Museum of Contemporary Art Chicago, IL  
Museum of Fine Art, Boston, MA  
Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY  
Pérez Art Museum, Miami, FL  
Portland Art Museum, OR  
The Princeton University Art Museum, NJ  
Phoenix Art Museum, Phoenix, AZ  
Smithsonian National Museum of African American History and Culture, Washington D.C.  
The Studio Museum in Harlem, New York, NY  
Virginia Museum of Fine Art  
The Walker Museum of Art, Minneapolis, MN  
Weatherspoon Art Museum, Greensboro, NC  
The Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY

## **Professional Experience**

2010 - present Assistant Professor of Professional Practice, Visual Arts, Columbia University, New York  
2009 - 2010 Assistant Professor of Sculpture. Harvard University, VES Depart, Cambridge, MA  
2009 - present Affiliate Faculty, Sculpture & Extended Media, Virginia Commonwealth University,  
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2006 - 2009 Assistant Professor, Sculpture & Extended Media, Virginia Commonwealth University,  
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2000 - 2002 Co- Director and Instructional Coordinator of Saturday Outreach Program, Cooper  
Union, NY