Education
MA, Fine Art, California State University, Northridge (with honors)
BA, Fine Art, California State University, Northridge (magna cum laude)
AA, Interior Design, Fashion Institute of Technology, New York
National Board Certification for Professional Teachers (NBCPT)

Residencies
2022 Inglewood Artist in Residency at Rogers Park, NEA Grant award, Inglewood, CA
2019 Buffalo Creek Art Center, Nevada
2017 360 Xochi Quetzal Winter 2017, Lake Chapala, Mexico

Awards and Recognition
2025 | Visual Arts Association, Artist of the Year
2023-24 Sculpture Installation, 31 pieces “Taking Flight”, 375 Hudson Street, New York City
2018-2019 | Blink Art Award
2017 | Fresh Award, SoLA Gallery (curators Peter Frank and Fatemeh Burnes)
2016 | Urban Chalet Designs Commission, Medical Building, Washington D.C.
2015 | Bronze Award, Art Comes Alive, Art Ltd. Magazine
Fellowship, Funds for Teachers
Nomination, Awards for the Visual Arts
Identified as "One to Watch," Saatchi Online
NEA Grant, Artist in Residence, Rogers Park, Inglewood California, ‘It Takes a Village’
The Community Quilt, Lead Project Coordinator
We are Home- Community Quilt Project Catalog
Charting Conditions in the Anthropocene Era
Kipaipai Workshop
Stitch in Time Catalog
Art Speaks
CA 101 2015

Solo Exhibitions
2022 | "Rescued Refuse," West Hollywood Library, CA
2018 | "Altered States," Art Depot Gallery, Fontana, CA
2017 | "Charting Conditions in the Anthropocene Era," Verde Valley Art Gallery
2017 | "Maps of the Imagination," Yavapai Gallery, Prescott, AZ

Group Exhibitions
2025
Dark Matters/ Bright Signals, West Chicago, Ill.
The Art of the Season, Cathedral City
Self not Selfies, Los Angeles, CA
Tokyo International Museum of Art
Modernism Week, Palm Springs Convention Center
Casting Shadows, Desert Arts Council

Ontario Museum, *13th Biennial*
Contemporary Visions, BG Gallery
Curves, Exhibizone.com, online
Monochromic, Unapproached LLC, online
West Hollywood Library, CA
2024
Artist Thrive, Albuquerque Museum of Art, New Mexico
Medusa, Van Zaig Gallery, El Paseo, CA
Desert Open Studios, Perez Arts District
Modernism Week, Palm Springs Convention Center
2023
Rancho Mirage Festival of the Arts
Outside/In Embrace Creatives, Detroit, MI
https://embracecreatives.com/outside-in-a-celebration-of-outdoor-art-objects/
Reno Tahoe International Art Fair, Buffalo Creek Art Center, Reno, NV
Transformative Crafts, Susquehanna Art Museum, Harrisburg, PA
Seeing Red- Group exhibition SCWCA, Cathedral City, CA
2022
It Takes A Village- community Quilt Project, Inglewood, CA, grant recipient
Desert Open Studios, Coachella Valley, CA
2021
We Are Home- community Quilt Project, Lancaster Museum of Art
We Are Home- community Quilt Project, SoLA Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
Site Brooklyn, on line exhibition curated by Peter Frank
NOMAD, sponsored by the Torrance Art Museum, Del Amo Crossing
High Beams Sculpture Exhibition, Torrance Art Museum
The Power of Responsibility/ The Responsibility of Power- Karen Walanka Online Exhibition AGJ
UHM Gallery, Seoul Korea
Gangdong Art Center, Gang Wo Do, Korea
Ginburyung Art Gallery, Gang Wo Do, Korea
Art Space Ryu, Kyungki Do
Inchun Art Platform, Inchun, Korea
Another Year in LA, online exhibition
SoLA Gallery Collective, Juried by Adrian White, SoLA Contemporary, CA
Looking for America, juried by Philippa P.B. Hughes, Washington, DC
New Life-rediscovered, curated by Ann Phong, Gallery Western, Los Angeles, CA
Shape Shifters, Anne Bedrick Fine Art, Palm Springs, CA
2020
Perseverance, SoLA Contemporary Gallery, CA
Transition, Launch LA Gallery, Los Angeles, CA, curator Holly Jerger
Pulse of LA, Protest, online exhibition
Post Pride, Ace 121 Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
35th Lancaster Juried Show, MOAH, Cedar, Lancaster, CA *Award*
Pulse of LA in the time of Quarantine, online exhibition
Poetry in Place, South Pasadena City Hall, curated by Erin Stone, CA

360• of Healing, Artfully Spaced Gallery, Inglewood, CA
The Same Thing Every day, Moorpark College, CA
A Contemporary Nod to Modernism, Palm Springs, CA
2019
Celebrating All Matter, Matter Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
Creative Practice and Collaboration, SoLA Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
Forming Matter, Matter Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
Labyrinth, Embed Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
#ENOUGH, Neutra Gallery, SCWCA members exhibition, CA
Art Comes Alive, Art Design Consultants, Cincinnati, OH
Coy, Gallery 825, Los Angeles, CA
hard mud-soft threads, The Loft Gallery, San Pedro, CA
Social Icing, Sam Francis Gallery, Santa Monica, CA
Color Perspectives: Differences Shine, Artfully Spaced Gallery, Inglewood, CA
Unfettered, Avenue 50 Gallery, Highland Park, CA
MMA- Women's Mixed Media Arts- Helms Gallery, Culver City, CA
Converge- Beacon's Art Building, CA
2018
The Other Art Fair, Barker Hanger, Santa Monica, CA (one to watch)
The Non- Objective Moment, Gallery 825*,* Los Angeles, CA, curated by Lonnie Lardner
Art Comes Alive, Art Design Consultants, Cincinnati, OH award
Altered States, Art Depot Gallery, Fontana, CA (solo)
Hecho a Mano, Gallery 825*,* Los Angeles, CA, curated by Jillith Moniz
Fresh, SoLA Gallery, Los Angeles, CA, curated by Peter Frank and Fatima Burnes
33rd Annual Art Show, MOAH, Cedars, Lancaster, CA
Memories on Location, Keystone Gallery, curator Christine Rasmussen
Trappings, Gallery 825, Los Angeles, CA
Order from Chaos, La Gitano Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
California Artists- Park Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
Art Speaks! Lend Your Voice, Arena One Gallery, curator Jill Moniz, Los Angeles
2017
Phenomena, Neutra Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
Abstracted Badass, Shockboxx Project Gallery, El Segundo, CA
Language of Memory and Maps of the Imagination, Yavapai College Art Gallery, Prescott, AZ (2 person)
Post Supremitist, Balconi Gallery, curated by Kio Griffith, Los Angeles, CA
Fresh, SoLA Gallery, curators Peter Frank and Fatemeh Burnes, CA, Award
Abstract II, Beyond the Lines Gallery, Santa Monica,CA
2016
Hale Art Gallery, Santa Monica, CA
Art and Earth, Berkeley Arts Council, West Virginia
Contemporary Women, Chico Art Center, Chico, CA
Dulcepalluza, 808 E. Pine Ave., El Segundo, CA
Garden of Earthly Delights, Avenue 50 Studio, Los Angeles, CA
Zero Down, Inglewood, CA
Out There, Gallery 825, curators William Escalera & Francisco George, Los Angeles,

Spectrum, BG Gallery, Santa Monica, CA
Play, curator Scott Canty, Municipal Art Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
CA 101, South Bay Contemporary, CITY, CA
Brand 44 Works on Paper, Annual National Juried Exhibition, juror Laddie John Dill, Los Angeles, CA
Touchstone, Art Transforming Trauma, A Window Between Worlds, CA
Artisan Series, Bombay Sapphire, Building Bridges Art Exchange, Santa Monica, CA
Inglewood Open Studios, Los Angeles, CA
MAS Attack, Torrance Art Museum, Torrance, CA
In the Studio, CAEA, Mission Viejo, CA
Art Start, Orange County Center for Contemporary Art, Orange, CA
Eclectic Expression, Santa Monica Studios, Santa Monica, CA
*Perimeter Galle*ry, Art Share L.A., Los Angeles, CA

2015

Embler Gallery, American Airlines International, Miami, FL
MAS Attack, San Diego Art Institute, CA
Prohibition Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
Alios Gallery, curator Max Presneill, Las Vegas, Nevada
VS, Gallery 825, Los Angeles, CA
Americana, Blackboard Gallery, Camarillo, CA
CA 101,AES Power Plant, Redondo Beach, CA
All Media 2015, Irvine Fine Art Gallery, Irvine, CA
Water, A Necessary Conversation, Avenue 50 Studio, Los Angeles, CA
MAS Attack, Temporary Space, Los Angeles, CA
Inglewood Open Studios, Los Angeles, CA
Art My Way, Art Forward, Los Angeles, CA

2014

Miami River, Art Fair, Miami, FL
Fresh, South Bay Contemporary Art Gallery, CITY, CA
Inglewood Open Studios, Inglewood, CA
Tag Gallery, Juried Exhibition, juror Laddie John Dill, Honorable Mention, Los Angeles, CA
Zero Down, Inglewood, CA
Coastline Art Gallery, Southern California members show, CA
Open Call, Municipal Art Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
10 x 10, SCWCA @the Brewery, Los Angeles, CA
Open Theme, Picture This Gallery, Long Beach, CA

Reviews

2017 Map It All Out https://issuu.com/squareupmedia/docs/h44_ page 84-85, writer; Melissa Scallan, http://www.melissascallan.com/
Looking at Shelley Heffler a little closer each time, by Jelani Yancy *https://www.popellay.com/press/3509*http://southerncaliforniaartists.org/index.php/category/art-news/Art
2017 *https://www.artsyshark.com/2017/12/08/featured-artist-shelley-heffler/,* by Haley Evans

2014 International Contemporary Arts, Volume VIII, page 129 Shelley Heffler,
Issuu “Trending: Contemporary Art Now!” Online Gallery
2014 Studio Visits Volume 30 2014
2013 http://emblerartgallery.com/catalog-collection-view

Teaching Experience
National Board Certification for Professional Teachers(NBCPT)
Mentor Teacher- Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD)
Arts and Literacy coordinator- education
Art Instructor- LAUSD, Ceramics, Drawing, Design, Photography, 1990- 2017
Adjunct Professor- Otis College, California State University, Northridge, 2010-2014

Professional Affiliation
Southern California Women's Caucus for the Arts(SCWCA), board President 2016-2022
SoLA, South Bay Contemporary Gallery, Board Member, Arts and Literacy coordinator
Inglewood Artists
Jewish Arts Initiative