

**Lillian Blades**  
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#### EDUCATION

- 2007            **Caversham Centre for Artist and Writers**, Kwazulu Natal, South Africa
- 1999            **Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture**, Skowhegan, ME
- 1996 - 2000   **Georgia State University - School of Art and Design**, Atlanta, GA, MFA
- 1993 - 1996   **The Savannah College of Art and Design**, Savannah, GA, BFA
- 1991 - 1993   **The College of The Bahamas**, Nassau, Bahamas, AA

#### SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2007            **Lukasa (Memory Board) Series by Lillian Blades**, The Rialto, Atlanta, GA
- 2006            **Birthings**, Sandler Hudson Gallery, Atlanta, GA
- 2005            **Passage**, Sandler Hudson Gallery, Atlanta, GA
- 2003            **Patterns and Sources**, Sandler Hudson Gallery, Atlanta, GA
- 2000            **A Return to the Womb**, Georgia State University Art Gallery, Atlanta, GA
- 1999            **Sacred Homage**, Sandler Hudson Gallery, Atlanta, GA
- 1998            **The Sankofa Series**, The Central Bank Art Gallery, Nassau, Bahamas
- 1993            **Lillian Blades-Senior Show**, The College of The Bahamas, Nassau, Bahamas

#### SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2007            **A Summer Show... With Caribbean Roots**, City Gallery East, Atlanta, GA
- 2007            **Bahamian Art: Pre-Columbian to The Present**, The National Art Gallery of The Bahamas, Nassau, Bahamas
- 2006            **Assemblation**, Eyedrum, Atlanta, GA
- 2006            **Migrations of the African Diaspora**, Pittsburgh Center for the Arts, Pittsburgh, PA
- 2006            **In Celebration of the Black Woman**, Sandler Hudson Gallery, Atlanta, GA
- 2006            **Funky Nassau - Recovering an Identity**, Nassauischer Kunstverein, Wiesbaden, Germany and The National Gallery of the Bahamas, Nassau, Bahamas (curated by Amanda Coulson and Erica James)

- 2005      **The Art of Caribbean Women Artist**, CLICO Art Gallery, Trinidad, W.I.
- 2005      **Pin Up Show**, City Gallery East, *Atlanta, GA*
- 2005      **Scared Spaces**, Broyles Art Center, Westminster Schools, *Atlanta, GA*
- 2005      **Lost and Found**, Artwalk at Lenox Square, Atlanta, GA
- 2005      **Refusing to Dance Backwards**, Spruill Gallery, Atlanta, GA
- 2004      **Personal Patterns: Works by Lillian Blades and Daniel Hoover**, SunTrust Plaza Gallery (now MoCA GA), Atlanta, GA
- 2003-04    **Figuring the Feminine...African American Artists from 1870 to Present**, The Birmingham Museum of Art, Birmingham, AL
- 2003      **Looks Good on Paper II**, Spruill Gallery, Atlanta, GA
- 2003      **Inaugural National Exhibition 1973-2003**, The National Gallery of the Bahamas
- 2002      **Strange Fruit- Artists Respond to Lynching and Mob Violence**, Eyedrum, Atlanta, GA
- 2002      **Culture Shock: Georgia's Foreign Born Artist**, SunTrust Plaza, Atlanta, GA
- 2000-01    **Our New Day Begun- African American Artist Entering the Millennium**, Austin, TX; Dallas, TX; Houston, TX.
- 2001      **The Emerging Artist Award Show**, Swan Coach House, Atlanta, GA
- 2000      **Can you hear Me Shout! - A Celebration of Georgia Artist of Color**, The Museum of Arts and Sciences, Macon, GA
- 1999      **Passage**, The Central Bank Art Gallery, Nassau, Bahamas
- 1999      **Fire**, City Gallery East, Atlanta, GA
- 1998      **Blue Dress**, Ballroom Studios, Atlanta, GA
- 1998      **Coded and Loaded**, Georgia State University Gallery, Atlanta, GA
- 1998      **Looking Forward Looking Back**, The New Gallery at Jordan Hall, Atlanta, GA
- 1998      **Altered Beliefs: Rethinking the Black Aesthetic**, City Gallery East, Atlanta, GA
- 1997      **Precise Significance: Symbolism and Iconology**, Hammonds House Galleries, Atlanta, GA
- 1996      **Have a Cigar Box**, Camille Love Gallery, Atlanta, GA
- 1996      **Hear Me Roar: A Celebration of Women's Art**, The Central Bank Art Gallery, Nassau, Bahamas

## **PUBLIC ART COMMISSIONS AND AWARDS**

- 2007 Nominee, Louis Comfort Tiffany Foundation Award
- 2007 Caversham Centre for Artist and Writers ( a 3 week Printmaking Residency in Kwazulu Natal, South Africa) awarded through Fulton County Arts Council
- 2006 **AIDS Awareness Junkanoo Quilt Project** (The AIDS Foundation and The US Embassy)
- 2005 Nominee, Louis Comfort Tiffany Foundation Award
- 2005 Nexus Contemporary Art Center Studio Residency, Atlanta, GA
- 2003 - 2005 **Quilted Community**, East Atlanta Library (Fulton County Arts Council), Atlanta, GA
- 2002 **Quilted Passages**, Concourse E, Atlanta Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport
- 1999 John Payson Award, Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture
- 1998 The Cassana Wood Walker Award, Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA

## **PUBLIC COLLECTIONS**

**Atlanta Hartsfield Jackson International Airport, Atlanta, GA**

**Birmingham Museum of Art, Birmingham, AL**

**British American Insurance Co., Nassau, BAH**

**Clark Atlanta University, Atlanta, GA**

**CLICO, Trinidad, West Indies**

**City of Atlanta, Atlanta, GA**

**College of The Bahamas, Nassau, BAH**

**CopiMax, Nassau, BAH**

**East Atlanta Library, Atlanta, GA**

**Global Life Insurance Co., Nassau, BAH**

**King & Spalding, Atlanta, GA**

**The Central Bank of The Bahamas, Nassau, BAH**

**The National Art Gallery of The Bahamas, Nassau, BAH**

**St. Augustine's College, Nassau, BAH**

**Private collections in The Bahamas, United States, Italy and South Africa**