**B I O**

A New Zealand native and Portland-based self-taught artist, my work helps me process the complexities of identity and belonging. Growing up in one place and living in another has created a permanent state of in-betweenness; a sense of being neither here nor there. This uncertainty is reflected in my art, which often features multifaceted and contradictory elements, both bold and tentative.

## I'm drawn to abstracts and abstracted textiles, vessels, and flowers as playful vehicles for exploring the intersection of culture, history, and timelessness. These elements allow me to challenge perception and celebrate the tenacious expression of humanity across cultures.

## G A L L E R Y R E P R E S E N T A T I O N

* LAURA VINCENT DESIGN & GALLERY 824 NW Davis St Portland, OR 97209
* Museo Gallery 215 First Street | P O Box 548 Langley, WA 98260
* Illumine Gallery 750 N Palm Canyon Dr, Palm Springs, CA 92262
* Salem On The Edge Fine Art Gallery 156 Liberty St. NE, Salem, OR 97301

## O N L I N E P R E S E N C E

* My site: https://illustriousplay.com

## S O C I A L M E D I A

Instagram: @kerrrgi

## A W A R D S A N D R E C O G N I T I O N

* 2025 We’ll Watch it Together included in SaatchiArt Weekly Featured Art week of FEB 24
* 2025 January We’ll Dance Up A Storm awarded Circle Foundation of the Arts Artists of the Year Jurors Choice Award
* 2024 Surprise Me included in SaatchiArt Weekly Featured Art week of May 13th, 2024
* 2023 All Yours included in SaatchiArt Weekly Featured Art week of September 17th, 2023
* 2023 Second Place Mixed Media, for Equally True at Edmonds Art Festival Gallery show
* 2023 Circle Foundation Spotlight Cover Competition Artistic Excellence award for Excuse Me Coming Through
* 2023 Artistic Excellence award for Remember That Time from Circle Foundation of the Art’s 2022-2023 Artist of the Year competition
* 2022 Honorable Mention for *Nineteensixty* at Edmonds Art Festival Gallery Show

## PUBLICATIONS

* 2025 June Included in Spotlight section of Spring issue X of Women United ART MAGAZINE
* 2025 March Included in Curated section of issue #49 of create! MAGAZINE
* 2023 April *Remember That Time* included in Circle Foundation of the Arts Spotlight Contemporary Magazine #33
* 2022 Dec *Hale and Heartfelt* selected for feature in the 9th issue of Winter 2022

## P U B L I C W O R K

* Chosen for Deschutes Public Library Roster of Artists (multi-year project)

## S O L O S H O W S

* 2026 August: Co-Featured Artist, Maude Kerns Art Center 1910 E 15th Ave, Eugene, OR 97403
* 2026 May: Co-Featured Artist,LAURA VINCENT DESIGN & GALLERY 824 NW Davis St, Portland, OR 97209
* 2025 August-October: Guest Artist, Jacobs Williams Winery Mcminnville Tasting Room 232 NE 2nd Street, McMinnville Oregon
* 2025 June: Co-Featured Artist, Museo Gallery Voyager Exhibit 215 First Street Langley, WA 98260 360.221.7737
* 2025 July: Co-Featured Artist, Hoffman Center For The Arts 594 Laneda Ave, Manzanita, OR 97130
* 2025 April: Co-Featured Artist, Museo Gallery Garden Show 215 First Street Langley, WA 98260 360.221.7737
* 2025 Jan: Featured Member Artist, Salem On The Edge Fine Art Gallery 156 Liberty St NE Salem, OR 97301 USA
* 2024 Nov-Dec: Solo show Vancouver Community Library 901 C Street, Vancouver WA 98660
* 2024 Aug 7- Oct 15: Maplewood Café 5206 SW Custer St, Portland, OR 97219
* 2024 July - August: Co-Featured Artist, The Art Center 700 SW Madison Ave, Corvallis, OR 97333
* 2024 April: Solo Artist at Morse Coffee Company, 417 First St, Lake Oswego, OR 97034
* 2024 January: Solo Artist, The Red E Café 1006 N Killingsworth St, Portland, OR 97217 2023
* 2023 November: Featured Artist, Guardino Gallery 2939 NE Alberta St Portland, OR 97211 USA
* 2023 October: Featured Artist, Salem On The Edge Fine Art Gallery 156 Liberty St NE Salem, OR 97301 USA
* 2022 May - June: Featured Artist, Mutable Collection Blind Insect Gallery 2841 NE Alberta St Portland OR USA

## G R O U P S H O W S

* 2025 July 17-20: Selected pieces included in Seattle Art Fair Museo Gallery booth Lumen Field Event Center, 800 Occidental Ave S, Seattle, WA 98134
* 2025 June13-15 : After We Spoke included in juried exhibition Edmonds Arts Festival 2025 700 Main Edmonds WA
* 2025 May 29th : Art included in Alberta Street Petite Hotel Spring Art & Bloom Show 2426 NE Alberta Street
* 2025 March 29-April 30 : Material Matters included in juried exhibition Tributary II: Flow From Humanity at Verum Ultimum Gallery1513 SE 42nd Ave Portland, OR
* 2025, March : You Make Me Happy included in Cascade Aids Project juried Art Silent Auction
* 2024 October 26 : With Love and Kisses included in juried exhibition Chasing Ghosts 8 at Verum Ultimum Gallery 1513 SE 42nd Ave Portland, OR
* 2024 September 21: Whisper To Me included in juried exhibition Abstract Catalyst #9 at Verum Ultimum Gallery 1513 SE 42nd Ave Portland, OR
* 2024 September 28-October 6: Selected pieces included in RE/Max Portland Metro Charity Show Hanna Andersson Building 541 NE 20TH AVE, Portland OR
* 2024 August: The Sun On Our Backs included in juried exhibition 11th Annual Living Mark Exhibit at Verum Ultimum Gallery 1513 SE 42nd Ave Portland, OR
* 2024 July 25-28: Selected pieces included in Seattle Art Fair Blind Insect Gallery booth Lumen Field Event Center, 800 Occidental Ave S, Seattle, WA 98134
* 2024 June – Sept: Select pieces on show at The Alberta Petite Hotel 2426 NE Alberta St, Portland, OR 97212 USA
* 2024 June 14-16: *Well I’ll Be & I’ve Been Meaning to Ask You* juried into Edmonds Art Festival Frances Anderson Center in Edmonds WA, located at 700 Main Street
* 2024 May: Invited to be Guest Artist at Waterstone Art Gallery 124 NW 9TH
Portland, OR 97209 USA