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#### SELECTED EXHIBITS

##### Solo:

Maine Audubon Gilsland Farm Gallery - Experimental Monoprints - Nov 2023-Jan 2024  
Arts In the Capitol - Maine State House - Augusta, ME - September 2021-February 2022  
The Francis, Maine - Recent Works - August-December 2018  
Lifeworks - Falmouth, ME - July-November 2018  
Townsend Gallery - Cape Elizabeth, ME - June-August 2017  
Stier Family Gallery - Thomas Memorial Library, Cape Elizabeth, ME - April 2017

##### Juried Group:

*Kerr Jones Gallery - East Boothbay, ME - August 2024*  
Taking Up Space - Mystic River Studios, Arlington, MA - May 2024  
Maine Evergreen Hotel Gallery of Fine Art - Augusta, ME - August 2023 - Present  
Kennebec River Club Invitational Show - Kennebunkport, ME - August 2023  
Living Systems: Fluid & Fragile - The Governor's Academy, Byfield, MA - April 2023  
Portland Art Gallery - Featured Artist - November 2022  
Stay At Home Gallery - Paris, TN - Warmth Show Juried Artist - January-March 2022  
Maine Audubon Society - Brush With Nature Plein Air Auction - September 2021-2023  
3S ArtSpace - Transitions & Meditations - Portsmouth, NH, July 2-August 22, 2021  
Portland Art Gallery - Featured Artist - 2/2018, 3/2019, 11/2020  
Down East Magazine Art of Giving, Featured Artist - 2017/2018  
Cape Elizabeth Land Trust Paint for Preservation - 2017/2018  
School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston Art Sale - Medici Artist - 2015-2020  
Yarmouth Art Festival, Yarmouth, ME - October 2016 & 2017

#### AWARDS & PUBLICATIONS

Maine Arts Commission, Artist Project Grant, 2022 (painting) & 2007 (photography)  
Radio Maine - *Artist Interview Podcast #50* - December 2021  
Portland Press Herald - *MJ Benson Showing At The Maine State House* - 10/31/21  
Uppercase Magazine - *Mourning With Metal* - Issue 50, July 2021  
NHPR - *For The First Time Again: 3S Art Space* - 7/6/21  
Maine Arts Journal - *Featured Artist, Members Showcase* - Spring 2021  
Portland Art Gallery - *Off the Wall* - 2019  
Portland Press Herald: *Hotel Gets Into the Art Game, MJ Benson at The Francis*, 9/10/18  
Maine Home & Design Magazine: *Ones to Watch* - December 2017

#### EDUCATION

Harvard University - EdM, 2000 (Arts in Education)  
School of the Museum of Fine Art/Tufts University - BFA, 1995  
Courses - Haystack Mountain School, Maine College of Art

#### ADJUNCT PROFESSOR:

Communications & New Media/Fine Arts, Southern Maine Community College