



## KELLY LEAHY RADDING

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**Contemporary Artist-Naturalist**

## EDUCATION

**The New York Botanical Gardens**, *Certificate in Botanical Art and Illustration*, New York, NY, 2002

**Rhode Island School of Design**, Providence, RI - Children's Illustration and Botanical Illustration classes, 1990-1995

**The Art Institute of Houston**, *Associates Degree in Advertising Design and Illustration*, Houston, TX, 1983

**Colorado College**, Colorado Springs, Colorado - Fine Arts Major, 1979-1980

## SELECTED EXHIBITION HISTORY

- 2024 Leigh Yawkey Woodson Art Museum, ***Birds in Art 2024 & Traveling Exhibition***, Wausau, WI
- 2024 The Sioux City Public Museum, ***Art & the Animal, the Society of Animal Artists 64th Annual Exhibition***, Sioux City, IA
- 2023 Leigh Yawkey Woodson Art Museum, ***Birds in Art 2023 & Traveling Exhibition***, Wausau, WI
- 2023 Stifel Fine Arts Center, ***Art & the Animal, the Society of Animal Artists 63rd Annual Exhibition***, Wheeling, WV
- 2022 Turtle Bay Exploration Park, ***Art & the Animal, the Society of Animal Artists 62nd Annual Exhibition***, Redding, CA
- 2021 Roger Tory Peterson Institute, ***Art That Matters to the Planet, Society of Animal Artists***, Jamestown NY
- 2020-23 The New York Botanical Garden, ***Abundant Future: Cultivating Diversity in Garden, Farm, and Field, The Fourth New York Botanical Garden Triennial Exhibition***, Bronx, NY. Tour locations: Tuscon Botanical Garden, Tuscon, AZ; Leigh Yawkey Woodson Art Museum, Wausau, WI; Denver Botanic Garden, Denver, CO; Oak Springs Garden Foundation, Upperville, VA
- 2020 The Grand Theatre for the Arts, ***Earth, Air, Water, Fire: Balancing on the Edge - SOLO SHOW***, Tracy, CA
- 2019 Art Galleries at Tides Converge The Presidio, ***Earth, Air, Water, Fire: Balancing on the Edge - SOLO SHOW***, San Francisco, CA
- 2019-20 The Wildling Museum of Art & Nature, ***Celebrating the National Lands of California***, Solvang, CA
- 2019 The Briscoe Western Art Museum, ***Art & the Animal: the Society of Animal Artists 59th Annual Exhibition***, San Antonio, TX
- 2019 National Tropical Botanical Garden, ***Something Old, Something New, Works by the National Tropical Botanical Garden Florilegium Society***, Kalaheo, HI
- 2017 Nature in Art Museum & Gallery, ***Wildlife Treasures***, Gloucester, UK
- 2016 Roger Tory Peterson Institute, ***Focus on Nature XIII & XIV***, Jamestown NY - Juror's Awards in both exhibits
- 2016 Artisan Gallery, ***Impressions of Oswegatchie Hills: Drawings, Paintings & Photographs by Kelly Leahy Radding - SOLO SHOW***, Niantic, CT
- 2014 The Horticultural Society of New York, ***Masterpieces and Recent Acquisitions from the Alisa and Isaac M. Sutton Collection***, New York, NY
- 2014 New York State Museum, ***Focus on Nature XIII***, Albany NY - Juror's Award
- 2013 Shirley Sherwood Gallery, Kew Gardens, ***Botanicals, Environmental Expressions in Art. The Alisa and Isaac M. Sutton Collection***, London, England
- 2013 Royal Caledonian Horticultural Society and the Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh, ***Botanical Images Scotia – BISCOT***, Edinburgh, Scotland, UK
- 2011 The New York Botanical Garden, ***An Exhibition of Botanical Art – Green Currency***, Bronx, NY
- 2011 Newington-Cropsey Foundation, ***Birds In Art 2010 Traveling Exhibition***, Hastings-on-Hudson, New York
- 2010 Leigh Yawkey Woodson Art Museum, ***Birds In Art 2010***, Wausau WI
- 2009 National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution, ***Losing Paradise, Endangered Plants Here and Around the World***, Washington D.C. Tour locations: Missouri Botanical Garden, St. Louis, MO; Chicago Botanic Garden, Chicago, IL; New York Botanical Garden, New York, NY; Kew Gardens, London, UK
- 2007 Hunt Institute for Botanical Documentation, ***12th International Exhibition of Botanical Art & Illustration***, Pittsburgh, PA

## SELECTED MUSEUMS/COLLECTIONS

New York State Museum, Albany, NY  
Permanent Collection of FFAST Museum, Fiesole, Italy  
Collection of Alisa and Isaac M. Sutton  
Brooklyn Botanical Garden Florilegium Society  
National Tropical Botanical Garden, HI  
Works held in numerous private collections in the US

## SELECTED BOOKS

***Morning Leaves: Reflections on Loss, Grief, and Connection*** by Laing F. Ridders. Published May 2023, The Collective Book Studio, Oakland, CA., Illustrator

***American Society of Botanical Artists, Botanical Art Techniques: A Comprehensive Guide.*** "Drawing Spirals and Diagonal Patterns & Egg Tempera, Gouache & Casein: A Comparison" Pages 77-83 & 331-337. Published 2020, New York, NY.

***Earth Air Water Fire: Balancing on the Edge.*** Published 2020. Columbia, CT. [Self-published]

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

**The Allure of Metalpoint.** *The Botanical Artist, Journal of the American Society of Botanical Artists.* Volume 28, Issue 2, June 2022. Pages 22-23.

**A Rose is a Rose is a Rose: A step-by-step introduction to painting with egg tempera.** *The Botanical Artist, Journal of the American Society of Botanical Artists.* Volume 25, Issue 3, September 2019. Pages 18-19.

**Ingredients for Inspiration. A comparison of casein, egg tempera, and gouache.** *The Botanical Artist, Journal of the American Society of Botanical Artists.* Volume 23, Issue 1, March 2017. Pages 20-23.

## HONOR(S)/AWARD(S)

2023 Riverworks Purchase Award, ***Art & the Animal, the Society of Animal Artists 63rd Annual Exhibition***  
2020 2nd Place, ***Sense of Place***, Wethersfield Art Academy, awarded by Peter Trippi, editor of Fine Art Connoisseur  
2017 Best & Runner Up in Vellum, ***The Newport Flower Show***, The New England Society of Botanical Artists  
2017 Juror's Award, ***Focus on Nature XIV***  
2014 Juror's Award, ***Focus on Nature XIII***  
2007 New York Central Art Supply Award, ***10th Annual International Juried Botanical Art Exhibition***  
2001 Best of Show, Mixed Media, ***Guild of Natural Science Illustrators Annual Members Exhibit***  
2000 New York Central Art Supply Award, ***3rd Annual International Juried Botanical Art Exhibition***

## AFFILIATIONS & MEMBERSHIPS

**Society of Animal Artists**, currently serving as Vice President of the Board of Directors  
**Monument Arts & Cultural Center**, Bennington, VT, currently serving on the Board of Directors  
**Contemporary Naturalism Guild of Art**, (Co-founder, 2020)  
**American Society of Botanical Artists (ASBA)**  
**The New England Society of Botanical Artists (NESBA)**  
**The Lyme Art Association**, Old Lyme, CT  
**The Brooklyn Botanical Garden Florilegium Society**, Brooklyn, NY  
**The National Tropical Botanical Garden Florilegium Society**, Kauai, HI

## ARTWORK MEDIA

Dry brush watercolor, gouache, casein, egg tempera

## REPRESENTATION

**Artisan Framing & Gallery**, Niantic, CT  
**Susan Frei Nathan Fine Works on Paper LLC**, Rahway, NJ