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## CV of SARAH GRIFFIN THIBODEAUX

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### SUMMARY

Trained as a classical realist painter, Sarah Griffin Thibodeaux burst into alla prima painting – where she strives for excellent drawing and painting at the same time in a single session—and has not looked back. She has a burning passion for portraiture and has painted the figure and portrait for thirty years, first as a student at the New Orleans Academy of Fine Arts, Art Students League, and the Florence Academy of Art. She is passionate about the craft of realist painting, about the way art can be a vehicle for grief, love, and healing, and about the way it just feels amazing to paint with others. After a lifetime of other careers, she is turning more fully toward art in teaching, portraiture, weddings, travel workshops. Her paintings help families record the memories of their love for one another in portraits, weddings, and family memory paintings. She teaches in New Orleans at her school North Light Fine Art, which offers in person instruction, fun art outings, and travel workshops. You may find her on a green bike in New Orleans, painting oil sketches of Faubourg Marigny, where she lives with her husband and twin sons. Find out more at her web site [studiothibodeaux.com](http://studiothibodeaux.com)

### SOLO SHOWS

2024, "She Glows" Paintings by Sarah Griffin Thibodeaux, Merchant House, New Orleans

2012, "Sarah Griffin Thibodeaux", Academy Gallery, New Orleans

2009, "Recent Paintings by Sarah Griffin Thibodeaux," Studio H Gallery & Workshop, Washington, DC

### TWO-PERSON SHOWS

2012, The Art of the Portrait, Jefferson Parish Library, New Orleans

2010, Portraits by Sarah Griffin Thibodeaux, Landscapes by Lynn Mehta, Philip Carter Winery, Hume, VA

2007, The Art of the Portrait Exhibit, Wealth Planners Gallery, Baton Rouge

### ART FAIRS

2016, Art Santa Fe, Santa Fe, New Mexico

### GROUP SHOWS

2024 Holiday Cheer Small Works Show, Skeeta Hawk Brewing, New Orleans

2024 How Ya Doin New Orleans Percent for Art Exhibition City of New Orleans, Merchant House, New Orleans

2024 Gallery Huracan, New Orleans

2024 Alumnae Artwork Show, Colton Performing & Fine Arts Center, New Orleans

2023 Oil Painters of America Annual Exhibition & Convention, Charleston, SC

2024 Alumnae Artwork Show, Colton Performing & Fine Arts Center, New Orleans

2023 Ecole Bilingue de la Nouvelle Orléans Spring Auction, New Orleans

2022 Plein Air St. Bernard, New Orleans

2022 Salmagundi Club Fall Auction, New York

2022 Tonalism Today, Salmagundi Club, New York

2021 Holiday Show, LeMieux Galleries, New Orleans



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2021, Figuratively Speaking, Salmagundi Club, New York  
2020, The Annual Miniature Exhibition, New Orleans Academy of Fine Arts, New Orleans  
2020, Annual Faculty Exhibition, Academy Gallery, New Orleans  
2019, The Annual Miniature Exhibition, New Orleans Academy of Fine Arts, New Orleans  
2019, Annual Faculty Exhibition, Academy Gallery, New Orleans  
2018, "And Now for Something New" Volume 1, Lemieux Gallery, New Orleans  
2018, 40th Anniversary Exhibition, Academy Gallery, New Orleans  
2018, Responsorial: The Second Sex and the Contemporary Dialectics of Misogyny, Academy Gallery, New Orleans  
2017, Annual Faculty Exhibition, Academy Gallery, New Orleans  
2016, Things: A Still Life Show, 5 Press Gallery, New Orleans  
2016, Group Show, Creason Fine Art, New Orleans  
2015, The Annual Miniature Exhibition, New Orleans Academy of Fine Arts, New Orleans  
2015, 9th Annual Louisiana Fine Art Showcase, Contemporary Art Gallery, Hammond, LA  
2015, The Annual Miniature Exhibition, Academy Gallery, New Orleans  
2014, Peinture et Verre (Paint and Glass), New Orleans School of GlassWorks, New Orleans  
2014, The Annual Faculty Show, New Orleans Academy of Fine Arts, New Orleans  
2014, The Annual Miniature Exhibition, Academy Gallery, New Orleans  
2013, Group Show at Studio 831 Royal, Studio 831, New Orleans  
2013, Summer Showcase III, Garden District Gallery, New Orleans  
2012, Group Show at Studio 831 Royal, Studio 831, New Orleans  
2012, The Third Self Portrait Invitational, New Orleans Academy Gallery, New Orleans  
2012, The Annual Miniature Exhibition, Academy Gallery, New Orleans  
2012, Femme Fest, Jazz and Heritage Foundation Gallery, New Orleans  
2012, Garden District Gallery's "TWELVE", Garden District Gallery, New Orleans  
2012, Peinture et Verre, New Orleans School of GlassWorks, New Orleans  
2012, Garden District Gallery Summer Showcase, Garden District Gallery, New Orleans  
2012, The Annual Faculty Show, New Orleans Academy of Fine Arts, New Orleans  
2012, NOLA NOW II: The Human Figure, Contemporary Arts Center, 1st floor gallery, New Orleans  
2011, Group Show at Studio 831 Royal, Studio 831, New Orleans  
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2011, EN PLEIN AIR, Abita Trailhead Museum, Abita Springs, LA  
2011, The Annual Miniature Exhibition, Academy Gallery, New Orleans  
2011, Garden District Gallery's Holiday Open House, Garden District Gallery, New Orleans  
2007, Group Show, Perrin-Benham Gallery, New Orleans



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2006, Group Show, Robert Bruno Gallery, New Orleans

### Teaching

2025-present, CEO, North Light Fine Art, New Orleans

2015-present, Owner/Instructor, Fine Art Oil Painting Classes and Workshops, Studio Thibodeaux, New Orleans

2012-2020, Instructor, Still Life Oil Painting and Portrait Painting, New Orleans Academy of Fine Arts, New Orleans

2015, Instructor, Portrait Painting Workshop, Cross Lake Studio, Shreveport, La.

2013, Instructor, Portrait Painting Workshop, Robin Clawson Atelier, Shreveport, La.

2010, Instructor, Still Life Oil Painting and Portrait Painting, Capitol Hill Arts Workshop, Washington, DC

2009, Instructor, Portrait Painting Weekend Workshop, New Orleans School of Art and Craft, New Orleans

### Juror

2022 And Now for Something New Vol. 4, LeMieux Galleries, New Orleans

### Awards

2015, Semifinalist, Grand Central Atelier Portrait Sketch Competition, Grand Central Atelier, New York

2012, Honorable Mention, Portrait Society of America's Ninth Annual Members Only Competition, Portrait Society of America

2011, Second Place and Honorable Mention, Portrait Society of America's 7th annual Members Only Competition, Portrait Society of America

2004, The New Orleans Academy of Fine Arts Portraiture Award, New Orleans Academy of Fine Arts, New Orleans

2004, The New Orleans Academy of Fine Arts Faculty Award, M. Dell Weller, New Orleans Academy of Fine Arts, New Orleans