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### **Education**

MFA – Artisanry Fibers – UMass Dartmouth – Dartmouth, MA  
BFA – Public Affairs/Journalism – Keene State College – Keene, NH

### **Professional Activities & Affiliations**

Handweavers Guild of America (Board of Directors 2018 – present)  
International Association of Papermakers and Paper Artists (Member 2018 – present)  
Nineteen on Paper (2022 – present)  
North American Hand Papermakers Association (Member 2018 – present)  
Hawaii Handweavers and Craftsmen, Honolulu, HI (Juror 2022)  
Dee Dee Shattuck Gallery, Westport, MA (Panel Discussion Moderator. Luminosity Exhibit. 2022)

### **Invitational**

2025 INHABIT Gallery, Warren, RI.  
2024 Newport Harbour Island Resort, Newport, RI (Commissions for public and private spaces)  
2023 Tensions. New Directions in Fiber Art. Bristol Art Museum, Bristol, RI  
2023 With Paper – Pawtucket Arts Collaborative, Pawtucket, RI

### **Selected Juried Exhibitions**

2025 Dimensions: Contemporary Fiber Arts. Warwick Center for the Arts, Warwick, RI  
2025 Works on Paper 2025. Virtual Exhibition. Paper Circle, Nelsonville, OH  
2024 Visions. Bristol Art Museum Biennial, Bristol, MA  
2024 Focus on Fibers. Menino Art Center, Hyde Park, MA  
2024 Second Time Around. Jamestown Art Center, Jamestown, RI  
2023 Inspired Craft. Little Compton Historical Society, Little Compton, RI  
2023 Transitions. Chattahoochee Weavers Guild, Chattahoochee, GA  
2022 Synergy II. Art League of RI, Pawtucket, RI  
2019 Small Works. Dee Dee Shattuck Gallery, Westport, MA  
2019 Twisting Fibers. Art League of RI, Pawtucket, RI  
2018 Small Works. Dee Dee Shattuck Gallery, Westport, MA  
2018 Material Material Material. D'Art Center, Norfolk, VA  
2015 Bugs! The Eric Carle Museum of Picture Book Art, Amherst, MA

### **Selected Awards**

2025 Sara Gilfert Award, Works on Paper 2025. Paper Circle, Cincinnati, OH  
2023 Jurors Choice, Inspired Craft, Little Compton Historical Society, Little Compton, RI  
2023 Third Place, Chattahoochee Weavers Guild, Chattahoochee, GA  
2019 Best in Show Accessories, Fine Furnishings Show, Providence, RI  
2019 US Trademarks awarded for RealFibers®, The Open Reed®, Supplementary Beater®  
2015 Yeager Scholarship, UMass Dartmouth, Dartmouth, MA  
2013 US Design Patent #8596303 *Supplementary Beater for Handloom*

### **Publications and Academic Presentations**

2024 Japanese Paper Yarn, Schiffer Publishing (Contributing artist)  
2021 Shuttle Spindle & Dyepot, Handweavers Guild of America (Contributing author)  
2019 “Yours, Mine & Ours”, Textile Society of America