

ANTONIO ADAMS CURRICULUM VITAE

BORN:

1981, Cincinnati, OH
Lives and works in Cincinnati, OH

EDUCATION:

Hughes Center, Cincinnati, OH

SOLO EXHIBITIONS:

2009

“Art Thing & the Orglycreeks & Common Surprise” Country Club, Cincinnati, OH

2008

“Negative Into Positive”, Big Car Gallery, Indianapolis, IN

2007

“The Evolution of the Kids”, UnMuseum, Contemporary Arts Center, Cincinnati, OH

2005

Artworks Gallery, Cincinnati, OH

Cincinnati Art Museum commissioned work for Education Center’s permanent collection, Cincinnati Art Museum, Cincinnati, OH

2001

“Arts for All,” an Empowerment Zone Arts Fair, Cincinnati, OH

GROUP EXHIBITIONS:

2009

“SOS Art 2009”, Art Academy of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH

“GREEN SPACES: Every Day is Earth Day”, ArtWorks Gallery, Cincinnati, OH

2008

Nada Art Fair with Country Club, Miami, FL

“Talk to Me: Text/Image”, curated by Matt Distel, Visionary & Voices Banner and Ross Gallery, Cincinnati, OH

Atlanta Folk Festival, Atlanta, GA

“Visionary Living”, ArtWorks Gallery, Cincinnati, OH

2007

“Outsiders United!”, Big Car Gallery, Indianapolis, IN

“Visionnati II”, Visionary & Voices Outdoor Art Fair, Cincinnati, OH

“Pop Life: Outsider Artists & the Pop Idea”, UC Gallery Sycamore, Cincinnati, OH

“The Hookup: Visionaries & Voices Art Transformed”, ArtWorks Gallery, Cincinnati, OH

“Pop Life Portraits”, Powerhouse Gallery, Covington, KY

“Roadworthy”, Chop Chop Gallery, Columbus, OH

2006

“Same Difference: Artists with and without Disabilities Side by Side”, Artworks Gallery, Cincinnati, OH

“80s Superstars”, mural at Shake It Records, Cincinnati, OH

Visionnati exhibition, Nicholas Gallery, Cincinnati, OH

Nicholas Gallery, Cincinnati, OH

Good Folk Fest, Louisville, KY



2005

Castellini Room (two one-day exhibitions), Cincinnati Art Museum, Cincinnati, OH
“We Come in Peace: Visionary Artists with and without Disabilities Collaborate”, Artworks Gallery, Cincinnati, OH
Works included in exhibitions honoring Raymond Thunder-Sky, CINergy First Floor Offices, KZF Gallery, USA
Frames, and Shake It Records, Cincinnati, OH
Assisted in designing the Inclusion Network Award given to leaders in the Cincinnati community, Cincinnati, OH
“Zoo Blooms!”, Cincinnati Zoo, Cincinnati, OH
Visionary &Voices, Cincinnati, OH
“Over Our Heads”, Essex Studios, Cincinnati, OH
“Art Moves Public Arts Project”, Northside, OH sites include Bughouse Video, Taylor Jameson Hair Design, The
Comet, and Chop Shop, Cincinnati, OH
“Say What?”, Essex Studios, Cincinnati, OH
McFadden’s Art show and Fundraiser, McFadden’s Restaurant, Cincinnati, OH
V&V Holiday Art Walk, Essex Studios, Cincinnati, OH
Cincinnati Art Museum commissioned work for Education Center’s permanent collection, Cincinnati Art Museum,
Cincinnati, OH

2004

“Reuse, Rethink, Recreate”, Satellite Installation partnerships with ArtWorks at Contemporary Arts Center,
Cincinnati, OH
Art Walk, Visionaries & Voices, Cincinnati, OH
V&V First Silent Auction and Fundraiser, American Classical Music Hall of Fame and Museum, Cincinnati, OH
Base Gallery, Cincinnati, OH
“Visionary Playhouse”, Visionary & Voices partnership with Kenwood Towne Centre and Brandenburg Homes (Antonio
decorated and painted furniture and made art for display at mall which was later auctioned off), Kenwood Towne
Centre, Cincinnati, OH

2003

Outsider Art Fair, New York, NY
“Pleasantly out of Proportion”, University of Cincinnati Medical Libraries, Cincinnati, OH
“I Am Perfectly Made”, Essex Studios, Cincinnati, OH
“Life as We Know It”, Visionaries and Voices, Cincinnati, OH
Pyramid Hill Art Fair, Cincinnati, OH
Visionaries & Voices, Cincinnati, OH

2002

African American Artists Exhibit, University of Cincinnati Medical Arts Library, Cincinnati, OH
“When Silence Becomes Singing”, Middletown Fine Arts Center, Middletown, OH
“My Mind Told Me”, Base Gallery, Cincinnati, OH
Knowledgeworks Foundation annual dinner, Washington, DC
Summer Fair, Cincinnati, OH
Base Gallery Members Show, Base Gallery, Cincinnati, OH
Folk Art Fair and Symposium, Pittsburgh, PA

2001

Ohio State House, Columbus, OH
“Art Thing: Drawings, Paintings, Objects and Words by Antonio Adams, Richard Brown, Paul Rowland, and Raymond
Thunder-Sky”, Base Gallery, Cincinnati, OH
“Art Thing 2: Works by Antonio Adams, Richard Brown, Paul Rowland, Rose Sattler, and Raymond Thunder-Sky”,
Queen City Grind Coffeehouse, Cincinnati, OH
Southwest Ohio Self Advocacy Conference, Sharonville, OH
“Imaging the Future”, TASH National Conference, Anaheim, CA
America Oh Yes!, Washington, DC
In the Gallery, Nashville, TN

2000

“Fruitcake”, Base Gallery, Cincinnati, OH
Self Determination Conference, Columbus, OH

AWARDS:

2004

Leadership Award, The Inclusion Network

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:

2005

Assisted with art-making workshop in conjunction with the “Nicholas and Alexandra” exhibit at the Cincinnati Museum Center, Cincinnati, OH

2004

Led art-making workshop at Kenwood Towne Centre, Cincinnati, OH

2003

Taught art-making workshop for people with disabilities during a two-day conference, Cincinnati, OH

2001

“How to Make Something Sexy or Fancy”, art-making workshop for people with disabilities in Middletown, OH
Visiting artist with artist/poet Pam Myricks at workshop for people with disabilities, Middletown Fine Arts Center, Middletown, OH

BIBLIOGRAPHY:

2009

Rosen, Steve. “Art: Antonio Adams at Country Club” CityBeat. April 7.

Durrell, Jane. “Country Club Gallery” WVXU Cincinnati. April 5.

Muente, Tamera Lenz. “American Grit” CityBeat. March 11.

Morris, Matt. “Art: Green Spaces at ArtWorks” CityBeat. March 10.

2008

Raw Vision #65. Winter.

Shebar, Alex. “Turning Pain Into Art” Cincinnati Enquirer. November 6.

Grade, Susan Watt. “Negative into Positive: Antonio Adams”, NUVO. July.

2007

Works from “Pop Life” featured in Cincinnati Magazine, Cincinnati Citybeat, Cincinnati Enquirer, and CINWeekly. July.

2006

Wilson, Kathy. “When Silence Becomes Singing”, CityBeat. April 23.

Shake It Records mural picked as “100 best things about Cincinnati”. Cincinnati Magazine, December.

“Pop Life: Outsider Artists and the Pop Idea” catalogue. June.

2005

CINWeekly. Article focusing on “We Come in Peace” at Artworks Gallery. February.

Cincinnati Enquirer. Article focusing on Antonio’s work at Visionaries & Voices. June.

2004

Banner, Keith. “ Visionary and Voices: Art Equals Life. Folk Art Messenger: January.

Cincinnati Post. Article focusing on Inclusion Network Award. January.

Cincinnati Enquirer. Article focusing on Visionary Playhouse at Kenwood Towne Centre. August.

2003

Cincinnati Enquirer. Article focusing on opening of Visionaries & Voices. October 6.

Inaugural edition of Art Thing Planet, a newspaper published by self-taught artists: poem and drawings featured. October.

2002

Cincinnati Enquirer. Article focusing on University of Cincinnati Medical Library art exhibit. February 15.

Hamilton Journal. Article focusing on Middletown Fine Arts Exhibit. March 21.

Pittsburgh Folk Art Fair and Symposium catalogue. December.

2001

Art Thing: Outsiders In/Insiders Out, full-color catalogue corresponding with Base Gallery exhibition, published through grant by Corbett Foundation

Appeared on ABC-affiliate Channel 9 News talk-show with Mona Morrow (July)

Callison, Jenny. "Artists paint the town red", Cincinnati Enquirer. June 27.

"Art Thing" video featured on Cincinnati Cable Access (June/August)

Kelly, Kevin. "Gotta Do It", CityBeat. April 12.

Hamilton Journal. Full-page article focusing on Base Gallery exhibit. April 3.

Starr, Cindy. "The atypical artist", Cincinnati Post. March 21.