

# MELISSA PARENT

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## EDUCATION

**Maryland Institute College of Art (MICA)**, Baltimore MD 2011  
BFA, Painting  
Cumulative GPA: 3.6

## EXHIBITIONS

"Connected", Woodstock Academy, 150 Norwhich Worcester Turnpike, Woodstock CT 2018  
"Tea Thyme", The Arts Center at Quinnebaug Valley Council for the Arts and Humanities, 111 Main St. Southbridge MA 2017  
"Betwixt", Starlite Gallery, 39 Hamilton St. Southbridge MA 2017  
"Artist of the Month" YMCA, 43 Everett St. Southbridge MA, 2017  
"Members Exhibition", The Arts Center at Quinnebaug Valley Council for the Arts and Humanities, 111 Main St. Southbridge MA 2013, 2015, 2016, 2017  
"Lifeforms" Starlite Gallery, 39 Hamilton St. Southbridge MA 2016  
"Art Wall Exhibition", The Arts Center at Quinnebaug Valley Council for the Arts and Humanities, 111 Main St. Southbridge, MA 2012  
Thesis Exhibition", 1300 Mt Royal Ave, Baltimore, MD 2011  
"Objects of our Time", 1515 Mt Royal Ave, Baltimore, MD 2011  
"Foundation Exhibition", Meyerhoff Gallery, Baltimore, MD 2008

## AWARDS & HONORS

Dean's List 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011  
MICA Achievement Award 2008  
MICA Achievement Award 2009  
MICA Grant 2009  
Connecticut Association of Schools Arts Award 2007  
Congressional Arts Award 2007  
Gold Key Recipient 2007  
Westfield Scholarship 2007  
Presidential Scholarship 2007

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### **Quinnebaug Valley Council For the Arts and Humanities, Nonprofit Organization**

Education Chair, Volunteer 2016- Present

**Starlite Art Gallery & Bar**, Southbridge MA, 2014- Present  
Co-Curator/ Gallery Management

*YMCA*, Southbridge, MA, 2015  
Instructor at Starlite Gallery for satellite summer art classes

*Baypath Vocational High School* 2015, 2016, 2017  
Instructor for after school art program

*Just Paint LLC*, Worcester MA, 2012-2016  
Painting Instructor

#### **Muralist**

Design and execute mural based off clients desires

*Phyllis Hanlon*, Charlton MA. 08/2014-11/2014

*Body Arts Day Spa*, Charlton, MA 12/2013-06/2014

*Ripple Effects Productions*, West Brookfield, MA 4/2013-11/2013

*Vienna Restaurant & Historic Inn*. Southbridge, MA 5/2009-8/2010

*Phillip Parent Contracting, LLC*. Southbridge, MA 6/2009-7/2010

*Al Channey Builders, LLC*. Woodstock, CT 12/2008-1/2009

#### **Maryland Institute College of Art, Fine Arts Department**

Baltimore MD 9/2007-2011

Nature Library Desk Assistant, Work-study

Studio Center clean up & maintenance

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

*International Contemporary Artists*, ICA Publishing, New York City, NY,  
10/2010

*Hidden Treasure Art Magazine, Yearbook 2014*, HT Art Magazine  
Publishing, 2 Landsdowne rd, CR9 2ER Croyden/Surrey, UK,  
5/2014

#### **COLLECTIONS**

Private Collections in Massachusetts, Connecticut, Florida, New York,  
Colorado and Maryland