

# Melissa Chandon

Born: Biloxi, Mississippi  
Lives: California

## Solo Exhibitions

- 2018 *Far and Beyond*, Paintings, Skidmore Contemporary Art, Santa Monica  
2017 *Melissa Chandon: Six Pools*, Skidmore Contemporary Art, Santa Monica, CA  
*New Works*, Terzian Galleries, Park City, UT  
*Off the Highway*, J. Willott, Palm Springs, CA  
*New Works*, Caldwell Snyder Gallery, St. Helena, CA  
2016 *American Weekend*, Skidmore Contemporary Art, Santa Monica, CA  
*From Here to There*, Caldwell Snyder Gallery, St Helena, CA  
2015 *American Holiday*, Caldwell Snyder Gallery, St Helena, CA  
2014 *Keep on Truckin'*, (with Glenda Drew), The Consortium for Women and Research, Davis Feminist Film Festival, Davis, CA  
*Keep on Truckin'*, (with Glenda Drew), Morris Graves Museum of Art, Eureka, CA  
Campton Gallery, New York, NY  
*American Vacation*, Caldwell Snyder Gallery, San Francisco, CA  
2013 *California Dreamin'*, Caldwell Snyder Gallery, San Francisco, CA  
*New Works*, Caldwell Snyder Gallery, St Helena, CA  
2012 *New Works*, Campton Gallery, New York, NY  
Caldwell Snyder Gallery, St Helena, CA  
2011 Campton Gallery, New York, NY  
Caldwell Snyder Gallery, St Helena, CA  
2010 Caldwell Snyder Gallery, San Francisco, CA  
2009 *A Complimentary Compilation*, Morris Graves Museum of Art, Eureka CA  
2008 John Natsoulas Gallery, Davis, CA  
Selby Fleetwood Gallery, Santa Fe, NM  
I. Wolk Gallery, St Helena, CA  
J Willott Gallery, Palm Desert, CA  
2007 *Melissa Chandon: LandMarks*, Morris Graves Museum, Eureka, CA  
John Natsoulas Gallery, Davis, CA  
Terzian Galleries, Park City, UT  
John Natsoulas Gallery, Davis, CA  
2005 Phoenix Gallery, Sacramento, CA  
2004 Phoenix Gallery, Sacramento, CA  
2000 Tower Gallery, Sacramento, CA

## Group Exhibitions

- 2017 *From the Collection: New Acquisitions*, Morris Graves Museum of Art, Eureka, CA  
*Art of Painting in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*, John Natsoulas Gallery, Davis, CA
- 2016 *Delta Forever*, University Library, California State University, Sacramento, CA  
*Art of Painting in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century* (conference panelist), John Natsoulas Gallery, Davis, CA  
*Group Exhibition*, Skidmore Contemporary Art, Santa Monica, CA
- 2015 *MechaMotion: Works by Glenda Drew and Friends*, Electronic Art Gallery, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO  
*Delta Forever*, Delta Protection Commission, State of California  
*California Landscape Exhibition*, John Natsoulas Center for the Arts, Davis, CA  
*Art Market San Francisco*, Caldwell Snyder Gallery, San Francisco, CA  
Caldwell Snyder Gallery, San Francisco and St. Helena, CA
- 2014 *Common Thread: Traversing the American Landscape*, William D. Cannon Gallery, City of Carlsbad, CA  
*American Flashback*, Sue Greenwood Fine Art, Laguna Beach, CA  
*This Land is Your Land*, Morris Graves Museum of Art, Eureka, CA  
*Art Silicon Valley*, Caldwell Snyder Gallery, San Mateo, CA  
*Miami Context*, Caldwell Snyder Gallery, Miami, FL  
*Art Southampton*, Caldwell Snyder Gallery, Southampton, NY  
*Palm Springs Art Fair*, Caldwell Snyder Gallery, Palm Springs, CA  
*Car Talk*, Pence Gallery, Davis, CA  
Selby Fleetwood Gallery, Santa Fe, NM
- 2013 *Central Valley Threads, Keep on Truckin'*, Merced Multicultural Arts Center, Merced, CA  
*OBJECTIFIED*, Art Institute of Boston at Lesley University, Boston, MA  
*Home is: Artists Reflect on the Meaning of Place*, Pence Gallery, Davis, CA
- 2012 *Common Thread: Traversing the American Landscape*, Begovich Gallery, California State University, Fullerton  
*Palm Springs Fine Art Fair*, Caldwell Snyder Gallery, Palm Springs, CA
- 2010 *Small Works*, Sullivan Goss an American Gallery, Santa Barbara, CA  
I. Wolk Gallery, St Helena, CA  
John Natsoulas Gallery, Davis, CA  
Water Street Gallery, Chicago, IL  
*San Francisco Fine Art Fair*, Caldwell Snyder Gallery, San Francisco, CA
- 2009 Sullivan Goss An American Gallery, Santa Barbara, CA  
I. Wolk Gallery, St Helena, CA

- Art of the Bicycle*, John Natsoulas Gallery, Davis, CA  
*Consilience of Art & Science*, Pence Gallery in conjunction with  
 University of California, Davis, CA  
 I. Wolk Gallery, St Helena, CA  
 Selby Fleetwood Gallery, Santa Fe, NM
- 2008 John Natsoulas Gallery, Davis, CA  
 Selby Fleetwood Gallery, Santa Fe, NM
- 2007 Selby Fleetwood Gallery, Santa Fe, NM  
*Sacramento Valley Landscape*, John Natsoulas Gallery, Davis, CA  
*Art Santa Fe*, John Natsoulas Gallery, Santa Fe, NM  
 Exhibition de Paysages du Perche à la Galerie d' air d' Alan Gauber,  
 Mondoubleau, France
- 2006 *Flatlanders: A Regional Roundup, A survey exhibition of forty-six artists  
 residing in the Sacramento-Davis-Woodland*, Richard L. Nelson  
 Gallery, University of California, Davis, Davis, CA  
*Sacramento Valley Landscape*, John Natsoulas Gallery, Davis, CA  
*Art of the Bicycle*, Sanchez Art Center, Pacifica, CA
- 2005 *Sacramento Valley Landscape*, John Natsoulas Gallery, Davis, CA
- 2003 *Cow Town*, Center for Contemporary Art, Sacramento, CA  
*Pieces of the Puzzle*, Yolo County Arts Council, Woodland, CA  
*Pieces of the Puzzle, Sacramento Valley Landscapes*, Davis Walter A.  
 Buehler Alumni and Visitors Center, University of California, Davis,  
 CA,
- 2000 Sacramento Metropolitan Arts Council, Capitol Building, Sacramento,  
 CA,  
 Smith Gallery, Sacramento, CA
- 1999 Soloman Dubnick Gallery, Sacramento, CA  
 ArtScape West International, San Francisco, CA  
 Art Foundry Gallery, Sacramento, CA

## Museum Collections

Morgan Flagg Collection, Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco de Young  
 Museum, San Francisco, CA  
 Morris Graves Museum of Art, Eureka, CA  
 Napa Valley Museum, Yountville, CA  
 Gregory Kondos Gallery, Sacramento City College, Sacramento, CA  
 Shields Library Art Collection, UC Davis, CA  
 Triton Museum of Art, Santa Clara, CA

## Public Art Projects and Grants

- 2016 University of New Mexico, Women's Medical Cancer Research Center  
 2015 Sacramento Metropolitan Art Council, Art in Public Places Program

- 2013 Central Valley Threads, UC Humanities Research Institute and Andrew W. Mellon Foundation
- 2010 California Rice Growers Association, Sacramento, CA
- 2008 University of California, Davis Medical Center, new wing expansion  
Woodland Healthcare, Woodland, CA (installation)
- 2007 Sacramento International Airport, Exhibition sponsored by the  
Sacramento Metropolitan Arts Council  
University of California, Davis Medical Center, new wing expansion  
Korshak Kracoff Kong & Sugano Law Offices, Sacramento, CA

## Teaching

- 2013 - present University of California, Davis, Design Department
- 2009 - 2008 University of California, Davis, Environmental Sciences,  
Art/Science Fusion Program

## Education

- 2011 MFA, Lesley University College of Art and Design, Cambridge, MA
- 1975 BFA in Painting and Philosophy, Santa Clara University, Santa Clara,  
CA

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I Require Art / Thinking Outside the Museum, Mar. 27

I Require Art / Thinking Outside the Museum, Mar. 16

I Require Art / Thinking Outside the Museum, Mar. 15

7<sup>th</sup> Annual Art of Painting in the 21st Century Conference, Mar. 12,  
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