

Historically, women have played a central role in water provision and management and must continue to be a catalyst in planning for the future. Artist subject matter may include but is not limited to:

• Water as metaphor,

- Water reclamation, sustainability, use, abuse,
- Ocean and waterway pollution from coal mining, mountaintop removal,
- Controversial process of fracking.

James Brenner and Liz Dodson



Convergence Stainless steel, glass, water, video 96in x 32in x 48in

Liz Dodson was the impetus for the concept for "Water: A Universal Human Right". Liz, along with her son, James Brenner, presented a collaborative 3-dimensional installation at the Minneapolis exhibition.

She was the Program Coordinator for the original Women and Water Rights at the esteemed University of Minnesota at Minneapolis Katherine Nash Gallery and board member of the WCA Minneapolis Chapter. More information about the Minneapolis project can be found at:http:// womenandwater.net/about

This Chicago exhibit continues the dialogue.

Amy Achrysalis



acrylics on cradled birch panel with clear resin finish 30in x 40in x 2in \$2.000

Death by drowning occurs following the exhaustion of swimming against the rip tide. Riptide speaks to the vulnerability of the ocean. It represents the collision between sustainability and current agricultural practices. Every day agricultural toxins inundate our oceans. Like unsuspecting swimmers caught in an uncontrollable current, our oceans are becoming exhausted and dying. We focus only on the ocean's surface and forget that as our toxins poison the oceans, their effects eventually find a way back to our bodies.

Nelson W Armour



Returning v2 archival pigment print on exhibition 22in x 32in \$625

In Chicago Lake Michigan is ever present, a force of nature that cools and warms us, that sustains and takes life. The vastness of Lake Michigan seduces us to imagine that nothing can affect it. As with most of our precious resources, we seem unable to protect the lake and, by extension, our ourselves and our spaceship earth. What will the lake look like in the future? Will the lake sustain us or will we abuse it? These photographs ask us to consider Lake Michigan's fragility and destiny.

Helene Aylon



Current: two sacs en route video (no sound) Two minutes, may be shown in a loop \$750: Video+2photos

In 1985, I floated two sacs of seeds along the rivers of Japan to Hiroshima and Nagasaki, once devastated by nuclear weapons. On August 6 and August 9, 1995, on the 50th anniversary commemorations of those tragedies, I used a grant from Art Matters to screen that image of two sacs full of seeds, in a two minute video on the Times Square Jumbotron, to signify resuscitation and rebirth for a silent meditation on nuclear disarmament. The current of the river signifies a pull, a mythic journey, a cleansing through water.

Ulla Barr



Oil and Water Does Not Mix digital color print mounted on gatorboard 20in x 30in \$400

As my statement I'm quoting Winona La Duke Anishinaabe:"Someone needs to explain to me why wanting clean drinking water makes you an activist, and why proposing to destroy water with chemical warfare doesn't make you a terrorist."

Stacy Bergener



The Deep acrylic on canvas 38in x 38in x 1in \$700

the subject water is the perfect example to underscore our fears of not having enough to sustain our lives either emotionally or physically. The work I have submitted plays on how we are destroying our oceans, underground streams and the Arctic

Linda Boardman



Flood acrylic on canvas 36in x 26in x 2in \$1,000

Water is a metaphor for the unconscious. Images and symbols flood into the sleeper's awareness through dreams. The dreamer is a passive recipient of what the flow of the unconscious brings. The flood seems to originate from another room, again the unconscious, a place outside of the awareness of the woman in a waking state.

Barbara Bridges



Take To The Air

mixed media, wood, sea glass, ballast, goats jaw, driftwood 24in x 36in x 8in NFS

The industrial pollution in Cuba will cause the fish to "Take to the Air" to survive and evolve.



Zel Brook



In Rough Waters oil painting on paper 32in x 40in \$650

In Rough Waters is a metaphor for humans and water. A working female in office heals is clearly not able to work on this problem.

The water itself has problems with color dissolved organic matter growths. These unnatural, unusual, problematic organism colors appear in the water and on the figure itself.

Underwater Plants signifies the death and destruction of underwater plant life.

Sukey Bryan



Glacier water oil on linen 30in x 48in \$3,800

For the past five years, I have worked on a glacier series derived from an artist residency in Denali National Park and Prince William Sound in Alaska. I am exploring the natural seasonal cycle of the glaciers, the changeable shapes and colors of the ice and melt-water. An undercurrent of this work is the increased rate of glacial melt from global climate change. I am interested in nature's contradictory delicacy and power and the resonance between the vulnerable cycles and elements in nature and human experience.

Marie Cenkner



Stand Off hi-speed digital photography, archival print 20in x 24in \$700

I would like the viewer to be intrigued, engaged and disturbed enough to explore the visual metaphors presented in these photographs of animals confined in zoos interacting with their water environment. Water is powerful because of its great flexibility. It reflects its surroundings, reveals what is under it and accommodates to what is in it. We are responsible for these factors. We could also be the stewards.

Jeannine Cook



Dusk above the River silverpoint-goldpoint on black ground on paper 5.5in x 7.5in \$700

Functioning, healthy bodies of water, fresh or salt, sustain and nourish us. Be it activities such as oyster harvesting along the Brittany coast, France, or along the complex ecosystem of the Georgia coast, or following a serenely meandering Altamaha River in Georgia as metaphor or actively sustaining ecosystem, we humans need to be watchful, active stewards of such bodies of water.

Sherri Cornett



Yellowstone River Grotto

video & screen. recycled materials include tires, steel, wire, rope, guitar strings, VHS tape 35in x 24in x 15in / 2:56

\$750

These shrines to and video collages of my observations and meditations on the invigorating, seductive essence of water are backdrops to conservations about water rights and conservation - where the sculptures and their videos are visual reminders of water as common ground. Yellowstone River Grotto is a response to an Exxon Mobil pipeline breakage that released 1000 barrels of oil into a symbol of Montana's constitutional guarantee of a pollutionfree, healthful environment.

Mary Ellen Croteau



Bag Waterfall plastic bags, water bottles and wire shown 120in x 72in x 48in

nfs

This work reflects my concern with environmental crisis, specifically with respect to plastic waste and its imapact. A petroleum product, we are literally killing people in the middle east so we can have plastic bags to throw away as soon as we get home from the store.

Richard Dana



Violator pigment print on canvas stretched on a wooden frame. 65in x 40in

\$2,500

'Violator' portrays humankind's impact on earth's water: the ruination with accelerating speed and reach of our most precious resource and the foundation of life. Seen from a distance 'Violator' is lyrical. Up close it has sharp teeth. Beauty remains in this world; look carefully, though, and you see the accumulating violation of this beauty.





Ocean Blue plastic bags and acrylic paint on canvas. 36in x 48in \$800.00

Clean life sustaining water is plentiful in first world communities, while polluted disease carrying water is readily available to the poor of the third world. All must drink. In River of Souls, unfortunate "souls" rise symbolically upward toward heaven on a flowing stream. In the U.S. we never doubt that water will come from the tap for our Daily Ritual, but for many bathing means carrying water long distances from steams or wells, or pumping it from the ground. Water may be so scarce

that bathing is an unimaginable luxury.



Danielle Eubank



Phoenicia Reflection oil on linen canvas 60in x 72in \$12,500.00



South Africa oil on linen canvas 48in x 42in \$6,750.00

As the majority of the world's population, it is incumbent upon women to be guardians of the future. We need to look after our people, our natural environment, and our water. Water is a shared resource amongst all people. It is our provider, for fishing, farming and regulation of the earth's climate. I am making a statement about the unifying preciousness of water by documenting it all over the world with my paintings. I explore natural forms and the consequences of the human footprint on landscapes everywhere.

Kyra Garrigue



video 5 min.

\$300

Water is a symbol of life, growth, and new beginnings. Yet, it can also destroy.

Sharon Gilmore



CARGO wood, earth-mud, cotton, metal 18in x 26in x 5in \$1150

CARGO contains an image of water that one would carry or transport.

Patricia Harris



Case Study No. 1 digital print 13in x 19in \$500.00

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Case Study No. 2 digital print 13in x 19in \$500.00

Case Study No. 3 digital print 13in x 19in \$500.00

These 3 images are taken from an animation that shows an iconic modernist house being transformed in a flood.

Jennifer Hecker



Locked Drop #1 flame-worked glass and found object 15in x 3in x 3in \$1,200

Glass is a new material for me. Its transparency and fluidity suggests water, and I have been intrigued for the last 10 months with sculpting water.

Water evaporates or grows mold or erodes away its container. And so, keeping it under lock and key or on a shelf on in a holey bucket become metaphors for trying to hold on to the transient, the ephemeral---to life itself.

Dory Ingram



Spartina: Refugia II

acid free tissue with ink and graphite, translucent in polymer emulsion 32in x 16in

\$525

Spartina is a refugia, the basis of the food web and ecology of the salt marsh.

Suzanne Isaacs



The Strength of Water oil on canvas 24in x 24in \$1,500.00

August 29,2005--Hurricane Katrina broke weak levees, flooding most of New Orleans. Evacuation was ordered

but thousands were on rooftops or waded through chest-high water waiting to be rescued. Three days later, Houston stepped up. Over 500 buses took 25,000 from the Superdome death trap to the Astrodome where cots, food, water, medicine and working toilets awaited. This painting is a high rafter view of an Astrodome section with 375 cots. Circles represent the search for loved ones lost to the brutal strength of water.

Judy Jashinsky



Fisherwoman Descending oil on linen 31in x 31in

\$1,500.

"Fisherwoman Descending" depicts an ancient Asian tradition of woman harvesting the Sea.

Lynne Jones



Disturbance oil on canvas 40in x 30in \$1,900

My family members are swimmers, sometimes competitively, sometimes just for the joy of it. All creatures require water for survival. But, some of us also play in it!



Donna June Katz



Water Over Sky hand painted (thinned acrylic on unbleached muslin), hand and machine quiltèd 35in x 35in

\$3,000

Air, earth, fire, water--glimpses of the cosmos: riparian zones, ancient marine environments turned to stone, river courses, lightning branches, milky ways, sediment becomes rock, fossils form, slow moving ice, water vapor...time, movement, change, remnants...

Helen Klebesadel



Air Element: Storm watercolor on canvas 40in x 30in \$4.600

My painting focuses on the shift in climate to increasing numbers of multiple day precipitation events caused by human caused climate change. This is one of a series of five paintings addressing climate change focused on the elements.

Itala Langmar



Epilogo - Broken Vessel hand made paper with text and mixed media 12in x 20in \$300

My quadripartite work plus fiber piece Epilogo was executed in parts to emphasize the urgency of impending water scarcity and the time. It is predicted by scientists that by 2030 one half of the world population could face absence of clear water. As a painter and poet I felt compelled to use both text and images to describe women waking miles to bring water back in the east, faucets running over in the west. I urge all to conserve and cherish the pure gentle water, do not allow it to be wasted, to be no more.

Judy Langston



Untitled giclee print 16in x 20in \$300 Reflection on the peacefulness of water restores our soul.

Kim Laurel



monoprint, acrylic, paper collage and thread on panel 12in x 12in \$850.00

Poem:

Heavy Water: Mike said, H2HO for the win. I read: D2O in nature rarely occurs in concentration. We see: Fukushima, a cautionary tale. We learn: Pacific Plastic Sea, recombinant nature in concentration. Joey said: carp can live 100 years...after many a summer dies the swan. Thinking Huxley, monkey smarty. We know: no win without hope and action.

Olena Marshall



On Edge acrylic and sand on cradled gessobord 24in x 12in x 2in \$300

An abstract landscape, "On Edge" adopts the geometry of aerial views of rural Ukraine. The World Bank has sounded alarm about the damage inflicted on Ukraine's clean water supply by poor farming practices, including contamination with manure, fertilizer, and pesticides. Yet from above, the blues and the greens look pristine and clearly divided. The painting alludes to the contrast between the reality and the appearances and explores the illusory borders separating the harmful and the wholesome in the human-made environment.

Diane J Mayer



Blue Wave acrylic on board 22in x 15in \$450.00 This was painted in response to Hurricane Sandy.

Jeane Mcgrail



Golden Dusk **Reflection (from** The River Project: Origin, Movement, Confluence) photographic print 36in x 24in \$875.00



Confluence)

36in x 24in

\$875.00

Waterway Corridor **Reflection (from** Reflection (from The River Project: The River Project: Origin, Movement, Origin, Movement, Confluence) photographic print Photographic Print 36in x 24in \$875.00

The River Project: Origin, Movement, Confluence investigates the protected natural waterways in Northern Wisconsin. In a rich and extraordinary array of historical, geological, and visual stimuli, I embrace the landscapes of second-growth forests contrasting with flat distant shorelines of stony sand and gravel sediment and clean, clear water. The scenes become rich in the changing light, with colors that shift and progress from glittering sunrise to midday clarity to dazzling-sunset.



Christine McKee



One Hand Washes the Other acrylic and molding paste on canvas 30in x 10in \$300

Water is a finite precious natural resource and should be treated as such. Action should be taken to conserve and preserve our water supply. In many areas such as California, the greatest demands for water are miles from the water sources. This creates the problem of methods of water delivery as well as the struggles over water rights. Cooperation is very important between the different factions to make sure that water is available for agriculture, consumers, and industry. These paintings illustrate some of these concerns.

Linda Mendelson



Fracking watercolor, ink, on paper 16.5in x 20in \$2 000

As our water resources are being researched to reshape Michigan's water future, these paintings reflect the creative energy, an inner light and positive force that I can contribute to society during a trying political climate – a hope for the future, a reminder of the triumph of the human spirit. Detroit and the Great Lakes ecosystem are challenged with innovative approaches to create resilient and sustainable water systems for our communities. Water is one of the 21st century's great challenges in Michigan and in the world.

Christina Montuori



multi color linoleum reduction print 7 1/2 in x 5 1/5 in, 14 in x 12 in framed \$400

According to legend, water is one of the five elements that led to the creation of mankind. It appears invisible and unassuming.It's found almost everywhere on earth, and is largely unappreciated in the way most of us live our lives. Yet, water is absolutely essential for life to continue.In the metaphor "The Highest Goodness Resembles Water," Tao compares the goodness of human nature to water, free-flowing and finding its way even in the toughest terrains.This notion is the basis for my aesthetic expression in my artwork.

Lucia Grossberger Morales







In 1992, during a two-month stay in Cochabamba, then Bolivia's second largest city, there was a cholera epidemic. Most developed nations have struggled with cholera in the past. The United States had three cholera epidemics before it built sewage treatment centers. The game Cholera arose out of my anger and frustration. I wasn't thinking about creating a social game. I just had no words to describe how I felt, so I created a dark, ironic computer arcade game.

Jean Nerenberg



framed watercolor 15in x 21in \$350

underwater fantasy is my vision of our oceans, when they were pristine and pure, before we started to pollute them.

Janice Nesser



a thirst that can not be quenched... archival inkjet print 16in x 20in \$500

Within nature, we find the ebb and flow of our lives. Like the great oceans, rivers and lakes, we are connected

Brenda Oelbaum



Petroleum Paradox: At what cost beauty? II digital photographs on foam core 40in x 62in \$1.000.00

Inspired by the 2012 exhibition Petroleum Paradox, I invited fellow artist and photographer Ludmila Ketslekh to join me in her studio for a photo shoot. I wanted to capture the duality of the oil industry and its effect on beauty, both natural in the damage caused during oil spills and unnatural in its use in the cosmetic industry, paraffin in lipsticks, plastics in packaging and marketing there of. In these images I play with the idea of glamour advertising and the less beautiful reality of the aftermath of an oil spill.

Bonnie Peterson



Accelerating Antarctica embroidery on silk, velvet and brocade. 35in x 41in \$2,500



Ice Phenology embroidery on silk, velvet 12in x 28in 400.00

I use embroidery to communicate provocative environmental and social issues. I present quantitative information in an unusual combination of stitched text and graphics. The work provides a novel opportunity to consider the scientific and historic context inherent in current events and social questions.





Skin Boat # 1 oil stick drawing on paper board 20in x 16in x 1in \$525.00

The waters off of Barrow Alaska, where I recently visited are home to whale fishing communities that have used seal- skin boats for hunting whales for centuries. In modern times whale hunting has been under stress, in part due to changes in water temperature from global warming. My piece depicts the frame of a seal- skin boat being lifted off of the water; representing a boat no longer needing to be in the waters to hunt, due to lack of whales.

Cherie M Redlinger



TOXIC DEATH graphite, rabbit skin glue, guilders whiting on panel, collage 16in x 13in \$400

"2/3 of the World is WATER, but less than 1 0/0 is DRINKABLE" Being aware that oil and its bi-products have contributed to the human condition becoming better than any other time in history creates the "paradox". Petroleum fuels our economy, but kills our environment and the "purity" of our lives. I have realized that for all the comforts we have gained from oil, we must decide to what degree we "drink" the benefits it brings weighed against the destruction its poisonous attributes contribute to our waterways.

Barbara Reid



Essential For All Living Things digital on maple panel 12in x 18in \$250

A few years ago, I became very ill from a water-borne parasite, so my starting place with water is through the lens of safety & quality. I also live in an agricultural region where a farmer can make more money selling water than crops. Water management for farmers can be huge daily task; there are families in my community who are actually losing water at the tap. Citizens may not react until, like farmers, they have to face rationing or the day when "water becomes a four-letter word at home."

Kimberly Ritchie



Extraction III watercolor and india ink on mylar mounted on paper 22in x 30in \$700

This work focuses on the mining process fracking. In this process of extracting natural gas and oil from the shale layer underground, deep wells are drilled straight down, sometimes passing through aquifers. The drilling then curves horizontally below the earth's surface and into its shale rock formations. Millions of gallons of water laced with chemicals are injected at enormous pressure into these rock formations, breaking apart the rock and freeing trapped methane along with other dangerous materials.

Beth Shadur



An Mullach Mor=Fiain mixed media on yupo paper 25in x 20in \$650

The work used landscape/water as a metaphor for the universal understanding of the fragility of the earth and the nature of the order in the universe; it addresses how we care for (and neglect) that which we hold sacred.

Barbara Simcoe







Make no Discord digital photograph on archival paper 13in x 20in \$400.

The world is largely pre-occupied with itself on a level that excludes spirituality. In the culture's violence, its unrelenting dedication to the exterior to the exclusion of the interior and its fascination with spectacle, is there a place for contemplation. The figurative imagery I use in my work is exclusively of women and it is in the area of feminine archetypes that I am most interested – woman as vessel of creativity, as intercessor, as of the earth, as mother, as primal aspect of the feminine/masculine dichotomy

Jeanine Hill-Soldner



Dissipation oil on canvas 30in x 20in \$1,100.

Water is vital for the survival of all life on earth. My work for this show reflects upon the extensive development of cities, parking lots, highways and pavement in "Evaporation". Rain and naturally occurring water "Dissipates" before naturally percolating into the earth and ground water supplies in the most arid lands on earth. In "Regurgitation" depicts 'fracking' contributing to the toxins contributing to shortages of safe and clean drinking water. The water bottles are a universal symbol for clean drinking water.



Emily Stergar



Dam Remnant fiberglass resin, concrete, copper, cable, wood. 18in x 12in x 40in \$450

The Central Arizona Project's 336-mile long diversion of the Colorado River provides a focal point to gather and present the transition of water as it progresses. Traveling from underground aquifer, to the aqueduct, its domestic, industrial and agricultural use, and finally, the drain representing the preverbal end of man's use of water. Humankind's displacement of water follows a system built from the manipulation of the environment driven by the exponential need resulting from a desert society's growth.

Margie Glass-Sula



Pollywog oil on canvas 48in x 48in \$2,000.00

Water sustains life, and not just human life.

This work features the simple convergence of life, water, and form. It allows me to reintroduce the necessary link to the natural world that often dissipates as our human lives progress and become ever so complex. Sometimes, I feel we all need to get back down to Earth-even if only for a moment.

Yuriko Takata



Water Carrier: Global Water Access Paper Doll 100% rag paper doll on board with oil pastel Flexible size, from 50in x 50in to 70in x 70in \$2,850

Fresh water is vital to life and should be a simple right given to all human beings. In most developing nations, women carry the burden of getting water for their families. Based on Ingres painting,THE SOURCE, the doll shows the inequity of access to water. The North Indian and African women struggle on meager rations while the American girl bathes in 100 gallons of water a day! U.S golf courses use 2 billion gallons a day. What is wrong with this global picture? At this rate, how long will our fresh water resources last?

Nancy VanKanegan



pelvis pour 3 monoprint, chine colage, pigment 14in x 7in \$300.00

images explore ideas of fluid intake, accession, and sustenance- water is a primary binder and carrier of fluid for survival

Kate Walker



mixed media and oil on paper 32in x 51in \$850.00

In Tidewater a group of women in colonial dress, drift down river on logs. This recalls the logging industry's early practice of "log rolling", and questions the role of women in a culture adrift.

Margi Weir



Water Gate acrylic, vinyl and resin on panel 24in x 24in \$1,200.00

In my studio practice, I use a computer to repeat images that I stitch together visually in order to make an appealing pattern, often resulting in tapestry-like, spatially flattened compositions. Through decorative patterning, the work of art draws the viewer into a slowly unfurling narrative that invites a discussion about ecology and/or sociopolitical realities of the contemporary world around us, in this case water. Meaning is implied by the juxtaposition of images. Conclusions are left to the viewer.

Kay Westhues



Shelman Spring, Union Star, KY archival pigment print, water, glass vial 30in x 20in \$1.200

"Well Stories" is a project about our relationship with the water we drink. During the last three years I have been making photographs and videos of old artesian wells in the Midwest United States and the people who visit them. Artesian wells are fed from a confined aquifer containing groundwater that is pressurized and flows upwards. These wells are filtered naturally and in some cases have been flowing for thousands of years. They are a surviving remnant of the public commons and often mark very early human settlements.

Joan Wheeler



Message in a Bottle oil on linen 20in x 24in \$3,500

My paintings are about the sadness I feel about the damage mankind is inflicting on our planet. Our aquatic life is being threatened, experiencing mutations and disappearing. The existence of mankind is linked to the conditions of our planet, yet we are fouling our waters and destroying our precious resources.



Judy Johnson-Williams



women+water paper, perforated linen tape, wood, cardboard Variable, 96in x 24in x 6in \$1,000

Water is connected to most of our problems, nationally, globally and as women. It is such a disrespected resource, we pollute it and squander it, knowing that there is no realistic way to make more or even to make it pure again. In this country, most of 'women's work' is washing (dishes, clothes, children, floors). In other countries, it's scarcity means women's first chore is walking miles to fetch water and then doing the women's work. Yet we feel the inspirational power of water in nature.

Helen Zajkowski



H20 found objects 10in x 3in \$2,000.00

My art piece speaks of urgency and is a call to action to keep water fresh and sparkling clean. We need to take care of our water so water will take care of us. Time is of the essence. Water is a life giving force; let us keep it this way.

Fotios Zemenides



Alpha Deluge etching w/aquatint on paper 10in x 12in (framed) \$250.00

Deluge (Alpha & Beta) are from the series The Disasters which deals with the natural forces the humanity has had to deal with in order to survive. We have forgotten to live with nature and she has the ability to destroy us in an instant.



etching w/aquatint a la poupee on paper 19in x 22in (framed)

\$450.00

Atra Mors - This image questions the ramification of the world's increasing demand on oil. The title refers to the Latin translation for the "Black Death" or as we know it: the Great Plague that ransacked Medieval Europe and killed off nearly one half of the continent's population.

Dara Herman-Zierlein



And Even our Oceans 2012 watercolor on arches 16 x 22 \$1,725.00



Baby New Years Plastic Water World 2013 watercolor on arches paper 20in x 20in \$1.875.00

Water is our source of life forces and survival. Yet it is in constant danger based on the consequences of the human carbon footprint upon nature. We over-consume, over-produce and earth is over-populated with strenuous demands on the food chain and the planets ecosystem. Human activity in society, environment and politics, as reflected in climate change, the decay of the human condition, the pollution on the earth and in the water of our oceans.

