

LIZ NIELSEN (b. 1975 in Ashland, WI) received her Master of Fine Arts from the University of Illinois Chicago, Chicago, IL; her Bachelor of Fine Arts from the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL; and her Bachelor of Arts from Seattle University, Seattle, WA.

She has been the subject of solo exhibitions at Art Austerlitz, Austerlitz, NY; Black Box Projects, London, United Kingdom; Danziger Gallery, Los Angeles, CA; David B. Smith Gallery, Denver, CO; The Dutch Reformed Church, Newburgh, NY; Hexton Gallery, Aspen, CO; Miles McEnergy Gallery, New York, NY; Over the Influence, Los Angeles, CA; and SOCO Gallery, Charlotte, NC, among others. Additionally in 2026, MTA Arts & Design Program commissioned Nielsen to exhibit at Grand Central Madison, New York, NY.

Nielsen's work has been included in group exhibitions at Black Box Projects, London, United Kingdom; Chautauqua Visual Arts, Chautauqua, NY; Flinn Gallery, Greenwich, CT; Fridman Gallery, Beacon, NY; Galerie MOB-ART Studio, Luxembourg City, Luxembourg; Hexton Gallery, Aspen, CO; Horizont Gallery, Budapest, Hungary; Main Projects, Richmond, VA; Miles McEnergy Gallery, New York, NY; Samuel Dorsky Museum of Art, New Paltz, NY and SHRINE, New York, NY, among others.

She is the recipient of numerous awards, including the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) Grant, Washington, D.C.; New York State Council on the Arts (NYSCA) Grant, New York, NY; Residency, McColl Center for Arts + Innovation, Charlotte, NC; Finalist, Meijburg Art Prize, Unseen Amsterdam, Amsterdam, The Netherlands; Residency, Budapest Art Factory, Budapest, Hungary; Orange County Arts Council Relocation Grant, Newburgh, NY; and the Chicago Academic Achievement Program Grant, Chicago, IL.

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EDUCATION

- 2004 MFA, University of Illinois Chicago, Chicago, IL
- 2002 BFA, The School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL
- 1997 BA, Seattle University, Seattle, WA

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2026 SOCO Gallery, Charlotte, NC
 “Crystalline Resonance,” (supported by a National Endowment for the Arts grant), Wassaic Gridley Chapel, Amenia, NY
 “Manifestations of the Voyage,” Grand Central Station, New York, NY
 “Interdimensional Timelines,” Joseloff Gallery, University of Hartford, West Hartford, CT
- 2025 Terrain Biennial Newburgh, Newburgh, NY
 Miles McEnergy Gallery, New York, NY
 Hexton Gallery, Houston, TX
- 2024 “Made in the Dark,” Hexton Gallery, Aspen, CO
 “She LOVES me...,” SOCO Gallery, Charlotte, NC
- 2023 “Romanticist,” Danziger Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
- 2022 “Edge of Forever,” Miles McEnergy Gallery, New York, NY
 “Apparitions,” Black Box Projects, London, United Kingdom
 “Electric Romance,” 12.26 Gallery, Dallas, TX
 “Rolling Aura,” David B. Smith Gallery, Denver, CO
 “Liz Nielsen: Forcefield” (presented by Strongroom), The Dutch Reformed Church, Newburgh, NY
- 2021 “I Like to Imagine You’re in a Place Like This,” Over the Influence, Los Angeles, CA
 “Spooky Action,” Art Austerlitz, Austerlitz, NY
- 2020 “Triangle Moon,” SOCO Gallery, Charlotte, NC
 “Small,” Black Box Projects, London, United Kingdom
 “Interdimensional Landscapes,” Landskrona Foto, Landskrona, Sweden
- 2019 “Entanglement,” Horizont Gallery, Budapest, Hungary
 “The Arrival,” Black Box Projects, London, United Kingdom
- 2018 “HotSpots,” Danziger Gallery, New York, NY
 Paul Smith Design, London, United Kingdom
 “Tracing the Azimuth,” SOCO Gallery, Charlotte, NC
- 2017 “Force Fields,” NextLevel Galerie, Paris, France
 “Snake Charmer,” Horizont Gallery, Budapest, Hungary
- 2016 “The Medium,” Danziger Gallery, New York, NY

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- 2015 “Night Garden,” SOCO Gallery, Charlotte, NC
 “Wolf Moon,” Denny Gallery, New York, NY
 “Magic Lantern,” Laurence Miller Gallery, New York, NY
- 2013 “Blue Shifts,” Interlochen Center for the Arts, Interlochen, MI
 “Tiger Teeth: Red Light,” Benrison Contemporary, New York, NY
- 2005 “New Work,” Lisa Boyle Gallery, Chicago, IL

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2026 “Artists for the Ali Forney Center,” David Zwirner, New York, NY
 “Twenty x Sixteen,” Morgan Lehman Gallery, New York, NY
- 2025 “Landscape (Re)Imagined” (curated by Francesca Filippini Pinto), London, United Kingdom
 “Toward the Light: Artists for the Ali Forney Center,” David Zwirner, New York, NY
 “Hi Dose” (curated by Tamara Gonzalez and Roxanne Jackson), The PIT, Los Angeles, CA
 “MUSKEG,” (curated in collaboration with Field Projects), Mother-In-Laws, Germantown, NY
 “Layer Cake,” SOCO Gallery, Charlotte, NC
 “Camera-less,” Flinn Gallery, Greenwich, CT
 “Friends and Lovers,” Main Projects, Richmond, VA
- 2024 “All Bangers, All The Time: 25th Anniversary Exhibition,” Miles McEnergy Gallery, New York, NY
- 2023 Terrian Biennial, Newburgh, NY
 “Clairvoyance,” SHRINE, New York, NY
 “Noise for Now x Upstate Art Weekend: Benefit Auction & Exhibition,” YWCA Ulster County, Kingston, NY
 “Sense of Place,” Chautauqua Visual Arts, Chautauqua, NY
 “Liz Nielsen & Dávid Biró: Jet Lag,” Horizont Gallery, Budapest, Hungary
 “The Borders,” Galerie MOB-ART Studio, Luxembourg City, Luxembourg
 “300 Days of Sun,” Hexton Gallery, Aspen, CO
- 2022 “Why I Make Art” (curated by Brian Alfred), Miles McEnergy Gallery, New York, NY
- 2021 “Who Really Cares?” (curated by Helen Toomer), Samuel Dorsky Museum of Art, New Paltz, NY
 “Time Lapse,” Fridman Gallery, Beacon, NY
 “Signs of Spring,” Black Box Projects, London, United Kingdom
 “All Out / All In” (curated by Will Hutnick), Wassaic Project, Wassaic, NY
 “Only Connect,” Carrie Secrist Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2020 “Magic Edge” (curated by Michelle Tillou & Andy Cross), Troutbeck, Amenia, NY
 “Coming Soon” (curated by Ryan Turley), Austerlitz Historical Society, Austerlitz, NY
 “Color Lab,” Virginia Commonwealth University School of the Arts in Qatar, Doha, Qatar
 “Empathy Fatigue,” Andrew Rafacz Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2019 “Nasty Women Amsterdam,” #teamFemke, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
 “A Boreal Nap” (curated by Annie Ewaskio), The Lot, Brooklyn, NY
 “Fundamentals,” Black Box Projects, London, United Kingdom
 “Image,” Messums Wiltshire, Tisbury, United Kingdom
 “SHE,” Elizabeth Houston Gallery, New York, NY

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- TOBE Gallery, Lake Balaton, Hungary
 “Three Colors,” Mai Manó Ház, Budapest, Hungary
 “Painting with Light,” Yossi Milo Gallery, New York, NY
 “Group Show,” Artfare, New York, NY
- 2018 “Works in Process,” The Photographers’ Gallery, London, United Kingdom
 “Art Crush” (courtesy of SOCO Gallery), Aspen Art Museum, Aspen, CO
 “Let There Be Light,” Angell Gallery, Toronto, Canada
 “EDDY’S ROOM,” Usable Space Gallery, Milwaukee, WI
 David B. Smith Gallery, Denver, CO
 Black Box Projects, London, United Kingdom
- 2017 “Winter Song,” NextLevel Galerie, Paris, France
 “Painters and Photographers” (curated by Jamilee Polson), Providence College, Providence, RI
 “Women in Color: Women and Color Photography” (curated by Ellen Carey), Rubber Factory, New York, NY
 “Art Crush,” Aspen Art Museum, Aspen, CO

AWARDS & RESIDENCIES

- 2025 National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) Grant, Washington, D.C.
 2023 New York State Council on the Arts (NYSCA) Grant, New York, NY
 2020 Residency, McColl Center for Arts + Innovation, Charlotte, NC
 2019 Finalist, Meijburg Art Commission Prize, Unseen Amsterdam, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
 2016 Residency, Budapest Art Factory, Budapest, Hungary
 Relocation Grant, Orange County Arts Council, Newburgh, NY
 2005 Community Arts Assistance Program (CAAP) Grant, Chicago, IL

SELECT PROJECTS & COMMISSIONS

- 2026 “Manifestations of the Voyage,” MTA Arts & Design Program, Grand Central Madison, New York, NY
 2022 “Liz Nielsen: Forcefield” (presented by Strongroom), The Dutch Reformed Church, Newburgh, NY
 2021 Schumacher Wallpaper, Design Collection with Peg Norriss
 Hermès France, Illustration for Internal Event, Luxembourg City, Luxembourg
- 2019 Hermès France, Illustration for Internal Event at Centre Pompidou, Paris, France
 Fujifilm, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
 Google, Canvas Project
- 2018 Paul Smith Design with Black Box Projects, Mayfair, London, United Kingdom
 2017 Hermès Parfumerie with Cory Jacobs, New York, NY
 Refinery 29, New York, NY

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2016 Stevan Alan, New York, NY

SELECT PUBLIC LECTURES

- 2024 The Penumbra Foundation, New York, NY
Parsons, The New School, New York, NY
- 2023 Center for Photography at Woodstock, NY, Kingston, NY
- 2021 University of Illinois Chicago, Chicago, IL
Wassaic Project, Wassaic, NY
The Photographers' Gallery, London, United Kingdom
- 2020 Virginia Commonwealth University School of the Arts in Qatar, Doha, Qatar
McColl Center, Charlotte, NC
Pratt School of Art, Brooklyn, NY
- 2019 Penumbra Foundation, New York, NY
School of Visual Arts Photo Salon, New York, NY
- 2018 SOCO Gallery, Charlotte, NC
- 2017 Living Room at Unseen Amsterdam, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
- 2016 Knockdown Center, Brooklyn, NY
Pennsylvania State University, State College, PA
Sirius Art Center, Cobh, Ireland

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- 2021 Osberg, Annabel, "Critics' Pics: Liz Nielsen," Artforum, December.
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- 2020 "Liz Nielsen Q&A," Departures Magazine, August.
"Triggered: Liz Nielsen," Musée Magazine, 25 August.
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"Liz Nielsen - Painting With Light," In Conversation with Black Box Projects Podcast, 6 July.

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