

# Robin Scully

-Artist, Art Educator, Curator-

curriculum vitae

## *Educational Background*

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**Radford University, M.F.A.**, 2-D Visual Art, Phi Kappa Phi, 4.0.

**Christopher Newport University, B.A.**, Fine and Performing Arts,

Minor: Secondary Education, Dean's List, Magna Cum Laude

## *Professional Background*

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**2011- Present Art Program Director Perspective Gallery, Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA**

Curate exhibits that include work of emerging, mid-career, and historical artists. Focus on new work of regional art and national artists. Design and install exhibits. Develop and implement community outreach and university educational programs for K-12 and university students. Work extensively with university academic partners, regional public and private schools through Art Reach program. Create marketing and assessment methods to expand gallery attendance and create more diverse patronage. Generate synergistic arts programs and workshops through academic partnerships. Manage budget for gallery operations, wages and revenues. Hire, train, supervise and evaluate student gallery staff members using strength-based concepts. Create in-person and virtual programming in the arts.

## **Teaching Experience**

- *Art 1404 Principles of Drawing*, Adjunct Instructor of Art, Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA
- *WGS 3004 Feminisms, Fugitivity and Futurity*, co-teacher/studio sessions, Virginia Tech Women and Gender Studies Program
- *Art 2524 Introduction to Painting*, Adjunct Assistant Professor of Art, Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA
- *Art 3524: Topics in Painting-The Figure*, (direct approach to painting with oils using model to derive understanding of human form in painted compositions); Adjunct Assistant Professor of Art, Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA
- *Art 4524 Advanced Figure Painting*, Adjunct Assistant Professor of Art, Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA

- *Basic Drawing 1514*, Adjunct Assistant Professor of Art School of Visual Arts, Virginia Tech, Blacksburg VA
- *Principles of Art and Design 1204* Adjunct Assistant Professor of Art School of Visual Arts, Virginia Tech, Blacksburg VA
- *Art Education 440* Adjunct Assistant Professor of Art (curriculum design, planning, and evaluation), Radford University, Radford VA
- *Art Education 340* Adjunct Assistant Professor of Art (supervised students in their first in-class observation experiences, evaluated learning outcome), Radford University, Radford, VA
- *Intro to Drawing 205* Adjunct Assistant Professor of Art Radford University, Radford, VA
- *Art 111, Art Appreciation* Adjunct Assistant Professor of Art class Radford University, Radford, VA
- *Painting 220*. Adjunct Assistant Professor of Art Radford University Radford, VA
- K-12 Public School Art Teacher
- Director head teacher Chinkapin Hill Studio, Blacksburg, VA

### ***Presentations/Papers/Interactive Sessions***

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Creative Practice Showcase, “Black love: Expressions of Blackness through arts-based research and pedagogy,” The 17<sup>th</sup> International Arts in Society Conference, San Jorge University, Zaragoza, Spain July 4 – 6, 2022

Interactive Presentation: “Using Art to Create Awareness: Emotional Connection to Integrity & Values,” Virginia Tech Student Affairs Aspiration Breakfast, December 2022

Introduction to Visual Thinking, Virginia Tech Honors College SuperStudio 4984 UH UAP, October 2020, March 2021, October 2021, March 2022

Interactive Presentation: “Paint What You Feel,” Professional development session, Virginia Tech Human Relations Department, April 2022

Interactive Presentation: “Body Love Sketch Party,” Body Matters Week session Virginia Tech Hokie Wellness, April 2022

Interactive Presentation, “Your Eyes are Your Windows,” Body Matters Week session Virginia Tech Hokie Wellness, April 2021

Creative Practice Showcase, “The Peace Project,” The 15<sup>th</sup> International Arts in Society Conference, National Institute of Ireland, Galway Ireland, June 22, 2020. (Accepted but was not able to present due to COVID-19)

Creative Practice Showcase, “What Color is Water,” The 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Arts in Society

Conference, Polytechnic Institute of Lisbon, Lisbon Portugal, June 19-21, 2019

Introduction to Social Practice Arts, Virginia Tech College of Architecture and Urban Studies, CAUS 1004, November 2019, 2020, 2021

Interactive Presentation, “Drawing from, Where You Are,” Virginia Tech, Studio 72 Living Learning Community, October 20, 2017

Interactive Presentation, “Art and Mindfulness: Using Memory to Create Balance,” Virginia Tech Finding Balance Conference, October 6, 2017

Interactive Presentation, “Art and Mindfulness: Drawing Your Inner Tree,” Virginia Tech Cowgill Library, April 18, 2017

Panel Presentation “Ecological Art, Socially Engaged Art Practice, and Community Art Education,” Ecologies of Injustice hosted by the Virginia Tech Global Forum on Regional and Urban Resilience, Inn at Virginia Tech, April 10, 2017

Interactive Presentation, “Art and Mindfulness: Connecting to Place through Art-Making,” Virginia Tech Lifelong Learning Institute, Blacksburg Presbyterian Church, March 21, 2017

Interactive Presentation, “Curating Ecological Art and Social Justice Projects for Social Change in a Sacrifice Zone: Blued Trees” Appalachian Studies Conference, Virginia Tech, March 9 – 13, 2017

Panel Presentation: Changes in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century University Gallery and Museum “Creating Patronage in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century University Gallery Through Pop Up Art Events, and Service Learning,” SECAC Hotel Roanoke, October 22, 2016, Roanoke, VA

Interactive Presentation: “Art and Mindfulness: Connecting to Place through Art Making” Virginia Tech Finding Balance Conference, Inn at Virginia Tech, September 28, 2016, Blacksburg, VA

Interactive Presentation “Art and Mindfulness, Connecting to Place through Art Making,” Contemplative Practices and the 21<sup>st</sup> Century University Conference, Inn at Virginia Tech, March 9 – 12, 2016

## ***Exhibits Curated***

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### **2023**

*The Underwater Wonders of Toms Creek* Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, March 14 – May 10, 2023

*Celebrate Black Love* Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, January 17 – February 26, 2023

## 2022

*Beyond Words: The Legacy of Suzi Gablik*, Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, November 1 – December 15, 2022

*Looking Inward: The Sculpture of Joe Ingram and Eric Cowan*, Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, September 6 – October 23, 2022

*SOVA Non-Majors Exhibition*, Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, June 13 – August 28, 2022

*Where are We?, Explorations into the creative worlds of Michael Summa and Harry Moore*, Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, March 22-May 14, 2022

*Experience Black Love: A Community Created Exhibit*, Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery and in Collaboration with VT ICAT for *Experience Black Love: Illuminated*, Virginia Tech Cassell Coliseum exterior projection (February 10, 11, 12), January 18 – February 27, 2022

## 2021

*Syncretism, Picong, and Mas: A Two-Faced Resistance: Leslie Robertson Toney*, Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, October 26 – December 18, 2021

*Place: Juried Exhibition of BRAA Member Work*, June 5 – July 31, 2021

*A Matter of Elevation: Betsy Bannan*, Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, March 15 – May 15, 2021

*Why We Can't Wait: Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Community Exhibit*, Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, January 19 – February 28, 2021

## 2020

*Nature Disrupted, Bob Rotche*, Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, October 6 – December 17, 2020

*Medicine Show Lauren Cooper*, Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, March 20 – September 27, 2020

*Peaceful Ends, Annual Dr. King Children and Teen Art Exhibit*, Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery in collaboration with Montgomery and Floyd County Public and Private Schools, Blacksburg, VA

## 2019

*Heartworks: Annual Children and Teen Dr. King Art Exhibit*, Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery in collaboration with Montgomery, Floyd, County public and private schools, Blacksburg, VA

*Black Love:* In collaboration with the Black Cultural Center at Virginia Tech. Co-curated by Kimberly Williams. Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, Blacksburg, VA

*Bottoms Up Top Down: Sculptural Stained Glass by Nikki Pynn,* Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, Blacksburg, Virginia

*Pippi Miller: Reiterated Histories,* Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, Blacksburg, VA

*The Peace Project a Social Practice Art Installation,* Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, Blacksburg, VA

## **2018**

*Ray Kass: Silk & Water,* Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery in collaboration with Moss Arts Center and Armory Art Gallery at Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA

*What Color is Water,* Site Specific Social Practice Art Installation, Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery in collaboration with SEEDS Blacksburg Nature Center and Virginia Tech Biological Sciences Outreach, Blacksburg, VA

*John Wiercioch, Honoring the Path,* Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, Blacksburg, VA

## **2017**

*The Forest, A Socially Engaged Site Specific Installation, Co-Curated with Meggin Hicklin, Pippi Miller, and Tacie Jones,* Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, Blacksburg VA

Co-Curated with Paula Golden and Ann Reardon *Along the Spice Route* Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, Blacksburg VA

*Michael Farrar Travelers and other Nurds (sic)* Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, Blacksburg VA

*Sending You All of our Love, April 16 Tenth Anniversary Remembrance Exhibit,* Squires Old Dominion Ballroom

*Liz Liguori and Jesse Mann Electromagnetograms* Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, Blacksburg VA

*MLK Annual School-Aged Children's Exhibit Path to Peace* Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, Blacksburg VA

## **2016**

*Aviva Rahmani, Coda: Blued Trees,* Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, Blacksburg VA

*Marino Colmano's 50 Years in Pictures,* Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, Blacksburg VA

*Ordinary Insights, Artwork by Sue Hammond West, Marlow Brooks and Robert Spellman* Co-

Curated by Virginia Tech Professor of Engineering, Douglas Lindner, Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, Blacksburg VA

*Path to Peace, 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Children and Teen Art Exhibit* Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, Blacksburg VA

## **2015**

*Make Your Mark*, Biennial Virginia Tech Student Exhibit, Virginia Tech, Perspective Gallery, Blacksburg, VA

*Impressions Watercolor and Weavings: A collaborative Exhibit by Donald Sunshine and Joanna Sunshine*, Virginia Tech, Perspective Gallery, Blacksburg, VA

*April 16 Remembrance Exhibit*, Multipurpose Room Virginia Tech Newman Library, Blacksburg Virginia

*How I've Made my Community a Better Place to Be*, 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Artwork from Teens and Children Exhibit, Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, Blacksburg, VA

## **2014**

*Fact, Fiction, Life, Death-Photographs by Robert Sulkin*, Hollins University Professor of Art

*Medical Avatar: The Health Time Machine*, Virgil Wong, Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, Blacksburg, VA

*Printmaking Revered: 40 Years of Prints from the Collections of Robert Miller*, Virginia Tech, Perspective Gallery, Blacksburg, VA

*Jonathan Murrill Oil Paintings from the Working Man Series*, Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, Blacksburg, VA

*April 16 Remembrance Exhibit*, Multipurpose Room Virginia Tech, Newman Library, Blacksburg, VA

*The Time is Always Right to Do What is Right: 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Poster and Essay Contest*, Virginia Tech, Perspective Gallery, Blacksburg, VA

## **2013**

*My Friend Earl*, Earl Palmer Photos of Appalachia Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, Blacksburg, VA

*New River Art 13*, Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, Blacksburg, VA

*Engram*, Jennifer Anderson, Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, Blacksburg VA

*Randy Simmons, New Work*, Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, Blacksburg VA

*Simone Paterson, Diametric*, Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, Blacksburg VA

*Blue Pomegranate*, Art of Joni Pienkowski, Alison Keys, Jennifer Hand, Mary Moore, Sandy Kennedy, and Won Jung

*Biennial Juried Student Exhibit*, Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, Blacksburg, VA

*April 16 Remembrance Exhibit*, Multipurpose Room Newman Library, Blacksburg, VA

*8<sup>th</sup> Annual MLK Children and Teen Student Art Exhibit, Leading Social Change: Equality through Civility*, Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, Blacksburg, VA

## **2012**

*Squires 75 Years in Photographs*, Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, Blacksburg VA

*Art Jam*, Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, Blacksburg, VA

*Joey Jones Recent Works*, Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, Blacksburg VA

*Janet Niewald and David Crane, Two by Two*, Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, Blacksburg, VA

*Robert Henry Graham: A 30 Year Retrospective*, Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, Blacksburg VA

*Leila Cartier, Fits and Fanfares*, Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, Blacksburg, VA

*Sacred Space, April 16 Remembrance Exhibit*, Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, Blacksburg, VA

*7<sup>th</sup> Annual MLK Children and Teen Art and Essay Contest, What are you Doing For Others*  
Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery

## **2011**

*Agnes Cabry and Ryan Russel*, Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery, Blacksburg, VA

*Mindy North and Baldwin True North, Love Planet* Virginia Tech Perspective Gallery,  
Blacksburg, VA

## ***Art Exhibits of Personal Work***

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### **Solo**

2021-Montgomery Museum, Christiansburg, VA *What Color is Water*

2017- Mish Mish Gallery, Blacksburg, VA *The Shift*

2007- The Gallery, Radford VA *Close Up/Far Away*

2005- Mish Mish Gallery, Blacksburg, VA *HomeWork*

2005-Montgomery Museum, Christiansburg, VA *Around Home*

2000-Reynolds Homestead, Critz, VA *Paper and Canvas*

2000-Altared Space, Floyd, VA *Here Today Gone Tomorrow*

### **Two Person**

2001-Altared Space, Floyd, VA *New Works from Robin Boucher and Deborah Wildman*

1999-Altared Space, Floyd, VA *Boucher and North, Not an Election*

1998-Altared Space, Floyd, VA *Inside/Out*

### **Invitational**

2011-Perspective Gallery, Virginia Tech, *Altared Space*

2008- Perspective Gallery, Virginia Tech, *Dias Del Muerto Exhibit*

2005- The Gallery, Radford, VA

2004- Flossie Martin Gallery, Radford, VA, *Radford University Faculty Exhibit*

1999-Southern Highlands Higher Education Center, Abingdon, VA *Artwork of Radford Alumni*

### **Competitive**

2017-Radford University Museum, Radford, VA, *Radford City Art Show 2017*

1995-Living Artists Gallery, North Cross School, Roanoke, VA and Lynchburg Fine Arts Center, Lynchburg, VA *Artemis XVIII*

1995-Flossie Martin Gallery, Radford, VA and Allegheny Highlands Arts and Crafts Center, Covington, VA *New River Art '95*

1994-Huntington Museum of Art, Huntington, WV, *Exhibition 280 Works on Walls*



1994-DuPont Gallery, Lexington VA, and Olin Gallery, Roanoke College, Roanoke, VA  
*Artemis XVII*

### ***Awards and Honors***

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Virginia Tech Student Engagement & Campus Life, Diversity and Inclusion Award 2021/22

Virginia Tech Student Engagement & Campus Life, Diversity and Inclusion Award 2018/19

Virginia Tech Student Engagement & Campus Life, Initiative for Collaboration Award 2016/17

Virginia Tech Division of Student Affairs, Aspirations Award, Curiosity, 10/2015

Virginia Tech Student Centers and Activities Student Learning Award 2014/15

Virginia Tech Student Centers and Activities Student Learning Award 2013/14

Virginia Tech Division of Student Affairs Acorn Award for Community Work 2013

Virginia Tech Student Centers and Activities Core Value Community Award 2012

Purchase Award, Flossie Martin Gallery, Radford, VA

Phi Kappa Phi

Award of Merit, Flossie Martin Gallery, Radford, VA

Magna cum Laude, Christopher Newport University

Award of Merit, For Sculpture *Mother and Child*; Peninsula Fine Arts Center, Newport News, VA

Dean's List/Christopher Newport University

### ***Publications Where Work Discussed***

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Artemis XVII, "Paintings and Works on Paper," Georgia Coopersmith, Roanoke, VA 2/94p.50

Roanoke Times and World News, "Medium with a Message," na, Roanoke, VA. 4/17/95, p.C-3

Roanoke Times and World News, "Art Raises Awareness about Trees in Pipeline's Path",  
Madeleine Sault, Roanoke, VA, 11/18/16, [http://www.roanoke.com/nrv/community/art-raises-awareness-about-trees-in-pipeline-s-path/article\\_755ac3ee-a64c-5327-907a-0eacd22f5406.html?mode=story](http://www.roanoke.com/nrv/community/art-raises-awareness-about-trees-in-pipeline-s-path/article_755ac3ee-a64c-5327-907a-0eacd22f5406.html?mode=story)

## ***Television and Radio Coverage***

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WVTF Public Radio, Studio Virginia, “Art on Site,” interview with Sean Tubbs, Roanoke, VA. 11/10/02

NPR Public Radio, Hothouse Tomatoes, Ghost Dog, and Back To School essays read on Morning Edition, Roanoke, VA 1996

WSLS Channel 10, “Anchored but Still Moving,” Interview on \$500,000,000 art work on display at Miller off Main Gallery. 4/19/95, 6 p.m. News

## ***Publications Where Work Appears***

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*At Work at Home; Design Ideas for the Home Workspace*, by Neal Zimmerman, Taunton Press, 2001

*Where In the World and What: An Introduction to Global Positioning*, by Richard G. Oderwald Ph.D. and Britt Boucher. Photographs by Robin Scully Boucher. Kendall-Hunt, 1996.

## ***Grants***

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2022 Institute for Creativity and Technology (ICAT), Major SEAD Grant, (\$23000) team member, “Bridging Stream and City: Inspiring Natural Wonder through Art and Technology, Virginia Tech, College of Natural Resources, School of Performing Arts, School of Visual Arts, PI - Dr. Emanuel Frimpong, VT Department of Fisheries and Wildlife Conservation

Center for Advanced Innovation in Agriculture (CAIA) and Commonwealth Cyber Initiative (CCI) grant recipient Co-PI, (\$4000) “Communicating high frequency water quality monitoring data through art,” PI Dr. Kang Xia, School of Plant and Environmental Sciences

Virginia Tech Women and Minority Artists and Scholars Lecture Series (\$750) for visiting artist Fern Shaffer, November 2023

2021 Virginia Tech VT Engage Faculty Fellowship (with Andrea Baldwin \$6200)

2016 Virginia Tech Women and Minority Artists and Scholars Lecture Series (\$750) for visiting artist Aviva Rahmani, November 2016

2014 Institute for Creativity and Technology (ICAT) Mini-SEAD Grant (\$3000), Virginia Tech “Medical Avatar” exhibition and programming.

## *Committees Served On*

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2018 – Present: Virginia Tech Visual Arts Committee

2018 – Present: SEEDS Blacksburg Nature Center Board Member and Treasurer

2019 YMCA Crafts Fair Juror Subcommittee

2018 - Creativity and Innovation Board Subcommittee on Arts Strategic Growth Area

2018 – 2020: 16 Frogs Advisory Board

2017- 2022: Studio 72 Advisory Member

2015 – 2019: SEEDS Blacksburg Nature Center Advisory Committee

2016 – 2020: Present Blacksburg Partnership Collaborative for the Art

2015- 2017 Virginia Tech Art Living Learning Community Steering Committee

2014 -2018 Virginia Tech Arts Communication Council

2014- 2020 Student Engagement and Campus Life Gobbler Night Committee

2013-2014 DSA Curiosity- Committee

2011 – 2014 SCA Student Staff Development Committee

2011-2012 SCA 75<sup>th</sup> Squires Anniversary Committee

2012 SCA Hokie Spirit Committee

## *Certifications*

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Experiential Learning Certificate, Virginia Tech Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning  
May 2022

Commonwealth of Virginia pre-k through 12 Post Graduate Professional Teaching Certificate,  
July 2022 - July 2032

First Aid, CPR /AED Certified expires April 2024

Mental Health First Aid

QPR Institute Suicide Prevention Program Certified no expiration date

Dyslexia Awareness Training

Title IX and Title IX Child Abuse and Neglect certification

## ***Additional Professional Training***

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**Community Engagement Workshops**, presenter Catherine Cotrupi, VT Engage Faculty Fellowship, met monthly during academic year 2021 – 2022, Blacksburg VA

**VT Student Engagement and Campus Life Study Group based on *How to be an Anti-Racist* by Ibram X. Kendi 2020**

**Diversity and Inclusion Workshop: Virginia's Incomplete History: Race and Miseducation in Virginia**, Presenter: Dr. Michele Deramo, Virginia Tech Student Affairs, May 2019

**Kate Yourk Workshop**, Fabric Marbling and Indigo Dying Methods using traditional techniques, April 2019, Blacksburg, Virginia

**Diversity and Inclusion Symposium: Advancing the Human Condition**, Presenter: Dr. Michele Deramo, Virginia Tech Student Affairs, November 2018

**Doug Elliot Workshop on Appalachian Poplar Bark Baskets**, May 2018, Montgomery County, Virginia

**Diversity and Inclusion Workshop: Unfinished Conversations**: Presenter, Lee Mun Wah, Virginia Tech Student Affairs, November 2016

**M.C. Richards, Mountain Lake Workshop**, October 1997, Giles county Virginia

**Jiro Okura, Mountain Lake Workshop**, August 1992, Giles County Virginia

## ***Personal***

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Artist, Adventure Traveler, Mountain Biker, Dog Lover, Paddler, Beach Bum, Backpacker, Camper, Organic Gardner, Hiker, Plein Air Painter, Essayist, Naturalist, Student of Appalachian Traditional Medicinal Plants, Chicken Keeper, Mother (not in that order).