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### Personal

- Birthplace: New York City, New York (oldest of five children).
- Resided in La Habana, Cuba (for six years as a child), and Berlin, Germany (as young adult).
- Mother Carmen Lydia Guzman (Puerto Rican); father Mario Silverio Villamia (Cuban).
- Married to Michael Sochat, Children: Matthew Michael Sochat, Vanessa Villamia Sochat
- I am fluent in Spanish and English.

### Education

- MFA Tufts University/School of the Museum of Fine Arts Boston, Medford, MA 2007
- School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, Post Baccalaureate Certificate 2003
- M.D. Boston University School of Medicine 1981
- B.A. Biology Boston University Summa cum Laude with Distinction in Biology 1977
- Bronx High School of Science, Honors, New York City 1968

### Additional Educational and Teaching Experience

- Master teacher Studio Arts St.Pauls School Summer Program Concord NH 2008 and 2009
- Faculty painting and printmaking NH Institute of Art, Manchester NH 2006-2008
- Faculty painting, School of the Museum Fine Arts, 2005-2006
- Teaching Assistant Don Sibley, painting, SMFA, Boston, MA 2003-2004
- New Hampshire Institute of Art, Manchester, NH 1999-2001
- Fine Arts Work Center, Provincetown, MA (studied with Michael Mazur, Robert Townsend, Jim Peters, Gregory Gillespie, summer 1999 and 2000)
- Teaching Assistant Aurrico Gatson, sculpture, Brandeis University, Waltham, MA 1998
- Brandeis University Graduate School Fine Arts Post Baccalaureate in Studio Painting 1998-99.
- Instructor Advanced Drawing Sharon Arts Center, Sharon, NH 1997
- Paul Ingbretson Atelier 1995-1997 (Boston Painters' heritage)
- DeCordova Museum School, Lincoln, MA 1991-1995.
- Photography instructor Andrews and McNair bases, Berlin Germany 1972-74
- Studied drawing and painting (Berlin, Madrid, and Paris) 1972-1974

### Fine Art Employment

- Founder and co-curator NK Gallery LLC, Boston, MA 2009- 2012
- Master Teacher Studio Arts, St. Paul's School ASP Program, Concord, NH (2008, 2009)
- Faculty Essex Art Center Lawrence MA summer 2008
- Faculty New Hampshire Institute of Art, Manchester NH, 2007-2008
- Documentary video: *Penelope Jencks, Figures in the Sand*, (2006 –2007)
- Faculty Painting Department, School of the Museum Fine Arts, Boston, MA 2004-2005
- Teaching Assistant Painting, SMFA, Boston, MA 2003-2004
- Teaching Assistant Sculpture, Brandeis University, Waltham, MA 1998
- Faculty Advanced Drawing Sharon Arts Center, Sharon, NH 1997
- Photographer and instructor McNair and Andrews Army Bases, Berlin, Germany 1972-1974

### Awards

- Merit Award 'Anything Goes', Litmus Gallery, Raleigh NC 2019
- Merit Award 'Un Pajarito Errante Encuentra su Corazon', Imperial Center for the Arts, 2019
- Merit Award 'NeuroMorphic', Imperial Center for the Arts, 2018
- VAE *For the Love of Art* exhibition honorable mention 2017
- T.F. Moran Award Painting (Currier Museum and NH Art Association) 2008
- Miriam Sawyer Award for Painting (Currier Museum and NH Art Association) 2006
- Copley Society Award (New England) First Place 2006
- School of the Museum of Fine Arts Honorable Mention Dana Pond Award 2004
- School of the Museum of Fine Arts Drawing Show Prize 2003
- Concord Art Association Best of Show Painting Award "Yellow Frog" 2002

- *The American Flag*, First Place Painting Award “Americana-Hispana”, Concord Art Association, Concord, MA 2001
- Boston University Biology Department Outstanding Scholar 1977
- Outstanding Graduate of Boston University College of Arts and Sciences 1977
- Boston University Deans Scholar
- Federation of Women’s Club Margaret Yardley Fellow

### **Publications**

- Art New England, “From Hand to Hand: Artists’ Books” by Debbie Hagan, August/September 2005
- Editor “Place” 2011 book for 4 artists in Boston
- Portfolio Reviewer for Arts and Business Council ‘Artist Professional Toolbox’ Boston MA 2012
- Chester College graduation speaker 2013

### **Curatorial**

From March 2010 through September 2012 curated 42 individual exhibitions (list available upon request). This included writing/assisting in the write-up for the artist statement, studio visits, mentoring, hanging the works, web-based presentation for the gallery with images, press releases, invitation card design, as well as presenting the work to the general public.

### **Juror Projects**

- Concord Art Association February 2013 group exhibition
- ArtScope magazine juror for July/August centerfold artist 2012
- Arsenal Arts juror for ‘30 under 30’ exhibition 2012 Watertown MA
- Cambridge Art Association April 2011 Group Exhibition.

### **Solo Shows**

- *Retablos*, Cary Arts Center, Cary NC (fall 2020)
- *Eye Am Witness*, Waterworks Visual Arts Center Salisbury NC (summer 2020)
- *Retablos*, Waterworks Visual Arts Center Salisbury NC 2019 (May 28 – August 30 2019)
- *Between Presence and Absence (Making Roots)*, The Carrack Modern Art, Durham NC 2019
- *NeuroMorphic*, United Arts Council, Raleigh, NC March 2018
- *NeuroMorphic*, (installation) NKGallery, Boston, MA 2012
- *NeuroMorphic*, (installation) Beland Gallery Lawrence, MA 2011
- *NeuroMorphic Universe (In a Universo NeuroMorphico Saxa Loquuntur by Hand and by Machine)*, Aidekman Gallery Tufts University, Medford MA. 2006
- *Emergence*, Contos Gallery, Rockport, MA 2004

### **Group Shows 2020**

- *Resolutions*, Hillsborough Arts Center, Hillsborough NC

### **Group Shows 2019**

- *Hispanic Heritage Exhibition*, Governor’s office, Raleigh NC
- *Metamorphosis*, 5 Points Gallery, Durham, NC
- *Truth to Power*, Pleiades Gallery, Durham NC
- *Anything Goes*, Litmus Gallery, Raleigh NC
- *Latino arts Collective Exhibition*, Halle Arts Center, Apex, NC
- Artspace Raleigh NC
- *National Juried Exhibition 2019*, Maria Howard Arts Center, Imperial Center for the Arts, Rocky Mount NC 2019
- *Contemporary Nude*, Litmus Gallery, Raleigh NC 2019
- *Where is Home?*, Waterworks Visual Arts Center museum, Salisbury NC 2019
- Eye institute of North Raleigh NC 2019
- *Art of the Mind*, IMurj, Raleigh NC 2019

### **Group Shows 2018**

- *Members Mayhem*, IMurj Raleigh NC
- *Hispanic Heritage*, NC Governors Office exhibition Raleigh NC October 2018
- Artspace NC Gala 2018
- *Herencia*, Cary NC October 2018
- IMurj *Sparkcon* October 2018, Raleigh NC
- *Devilish Egg Pop Up* exhibition July 2018
- *Pets and People*, 311 Gallery Raleigh NC

- *Juried Arts Show*, Maria V. Howard Arts Center, Imperial Center for the Arts, Rocky Mount NC. Annah Lee juror. June – September 2018
- Members Exhibition, Durham Arts Guild, Durham NC April- June 2018
- *Flowers and Gardens*, 311 Gallery Raleigh NC July 2018

## 2017

- *Mezcla*, VAE Raleigh August 2017
- *Hearsay*, VAE Raleigh September 2017
- *For the Love of Art Gala*, VAE Raleigh December 2017

## 2016

- *Fresh*, Artspace Raleigh NC, Juror Marshall Price Nancy Hanks Curator of Modern and Contemporary Art at the Nasher Museum of Art at Duke University.

## 2013

- *Red*, Cambridge Art Association Biennial, Cambridge MA

## 2012

- *Love Lust and Desire*, McGowan Gallery Concord, NH

## 2011

- *62nd Currier Museum exhibition NHAA*, Currier Museum, Manchester NH, Juror Jen Mergel Beal Family Senior Curator of Contemporary Art Museum of Fine Art Boston
- *SugiPop!*, Portsmouth Museum of Art, Portsmouth NH
- *'ArtSpeak'* NKGallery Boston, MA
- *Shine* WCA Boston Summer Exhibition Bromfield Gallery Boston MA
- *Blue*, Cambridge Art Association, Cambridge, MA, Juror Theodore Stebbins
- *'New Works'*, NHAA Robert Lincoln Levy Gallery, Portsmouth, NH

## 2010

- *'Transformations'* Arsenal Arts Center Exhibition 2 Watertown MA
- *'Proof of Purchase'*, Samson Gallery Boston MA, pop-up exhibition Oct14-17 2010

## 2009

- *61st Currier Museum Exhibition NHAA*, Juror Trevor Smith Curator Contemporary Art Peabody Essex Museum.
- *'Alphabet Project 3'*, Beland Gallery, Lawrence, MA.

## 2008

- *60th Currier Museum Exhibition NHAA*, New Hampshire Institute of Art, Manchester, NH
- *'Paper Quilt Project'*, Essex Art Center, Lawrence, MA

## 2007

- *59th Currier Museum exhibition NHAA*, Paul Creative Arts Center, Durham NH. Juror Karen Burgess Smith

## 2006

- *NeuroMorphic Universe* Thesis Exhibition School of the Museum Fine Arts Boston/Tufts University Aidekman Arts Center Medford MA
- *NH Artists of the 21st Century*, Kimball-Jenkins Estate, Concord, NH
- *NH Artists of the 21st Century*, Plymouth State College, Plymouth, NH
- *Copley Society 17th Annual Student Show* (Copley Award)
- Currier Museum of Art, Manchester NH (Juror Mary Harding, York, Maine)
- *FormZ Show*, Bag Gallery, School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA

## 2005

- *Red*, University Place Gallery (Juror Nick Capasso DeCordova Museum)
- *Art of Peace*, Robert Lincoln Levy Gallery, Portsmouth, NH
- *Beyond Color*, Fort Point Gallery, Boston, MA
- *Wet Dreams Project*, Luanne Stovall, School of Fashion Design, Boston, MA
- *Form Z*, Bag Gallery, School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA
- *Off Site*, Mission Hill Complex, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA
- Student Annual Exhibition, School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA
- *Atrium Show*, School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA

## 2004

- Student Annual Exhibition, School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA
- *Terra Incognita*, Bag Gallery, School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA

## 2003

- *Resound for Dedicated Instruments*, Courtyard Gallery Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA
- Student Annual Exhibition, School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA
- Drawing Show, Atrium Gallery, School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA
- *Graduating Students Exhibition*, School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA

## 2002

- *Latino American*, Atrium Gallery, School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA
- Post Baccalaureate Show, Bag Gallery, School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA
- Salon Show, Bag Gallery, School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA
- Members Juried Exhibition, Concord Art Association, Concord, MA
- Members Annual Exhibition, Sharon Arts Center, Peterborough, MA

## 2001

- *The American Flag*, (Best of Show) Concord Art Association, Concord, MA
- *Frances N. Roddy Exhibition*, Concord Art Association, Concord, MA
- *Distinguished Artists Exhibition*, Concord Art Association, Concord, MA
- Members Juried Exhibition, Concord Art Association, Concord, MA
- 53rd Annual Members Exhibition, Sharon Arts Center, Peterborough, NH

## 2000

- Whitney Biennial, (subversive collaborator Internet Art), @RTmark.com,
- Members Juried Exhibition, Concord Art Association, Concord, MA

## 1999

- Thesis Exhibition, Schlosberg Gallery, Brandeis University, Waltham, MA
- *Black and White*, Concord Art Association, Concord, MA

## 1998

- Members Juried Exhibition, Concord Art Association, Concord, MA
- 50th Annual Members Exhibition, Sharon Arts Center, Peterborough, NH
- Thesis Exhibition, Schlosberg Gallery, Brandeis University, Waltham, MA

## 1997

- Faculty Show, Sharon Arts Center, Sharon, NH
- *Synecitics Project*, Women in Process, Freight Gallery, Hancock, NH
- 49th Annual Members Exhibition, Sharon Arts Center, Sharon, NH

### Extracurricular

- Portrait Society of America member
- College Art Association 2004 – 2012
- Women's Caucus for Art NH President and Vice-President 2009
- Women's Caucus for Art (national and state) member
- Board member and Web Manager NH Women's Caucus for Art Fall 2007
- New Hampshire Institute of Art, Manchester, NH 1999-2001
- Distinguished Artist Member Concord Art Association 2000
- Juried Member NH Art Association
- Fine Arts Work Center, Provincetown, MA (studied with Michael Mazur, Robert Townsend, Jim Peters, Gregory Gillespie), summer 1999 and 2000.
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