



Bisa Butler

Public Collections:

- Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA
- Crystal Bridges American Art Museum, Bentonville, AK
- Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA
- Art Institute of Chicago, IL
- Newark Museum of Art, NJ
- Orlando Museum of Art, FL
- Minneapolis Institute of Art, MN
- Kemper Museum of Contemporary Art, Kansas City, MO
- Mount Holyoke Art Museum, Hadley, MA
- Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art, Kansas City, MO
- 21c Museum of Art, Louisville, KY
- Smithsonian American Art Museum, Washington D.C.
- National Museum for African American History and Culture (Smithsonian Institution Museum), Washington D.C.

Selected Solo Exhibitions:

- Bisa Butler, Art Institute of Chicago, IL, 2020
- Bisa Butler, Katonah Museum of Art, NY, 2020
- "The Storm, The Whirlwind & The Earthquake" Claire Oliver Gallery, NYC, NY · 2020
- The Lawrence Art Center, Lawrence KS · 2017
- Richard Beavers Art Gallery, Brooklyn NY · 2016
- Firehouse Gallery, Valley Arts, Orange, NJ · 2015
- Domareki Gallery, Maplewood, NJ · 2015
- NEWARK Academy, Livingston NJ · 2015
- Hearne fine art, Faces in Many Places · 2015
- Morristown Courthouse, Morristown NJ · 2015
- Quilt Me A Story, Bloomfield College, NJ · 2008
- Astahs Fine Art Gallery, Maplewood NJ · 2008
- Home of Lonnie Austin show, solo exhibit · 2008
- Organic Soul, NJ · 2006
- Essex County College, Newark, NJ · 2004
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Selected Group Exhibitions:

- The Dirty South Virginia Museum of the Fine Arts, Richmond, VA, 2021
- Burke Prize Exhibition, Museum of Arts and Design, NY 2020
- 1-54 Contemporary African Art Fair, Claire Oliver Gallery, London 2019
- EXPO Chicago, Claire Oliver Gallery, Chicago IL 2019
- Every Fiber of My Being, The University of Hartford, Joseloff Gallery, 2019
- Plumb Line: Charles White and the Contemporary, California African American Museum, 2019
- On Their Own Terms, Windgate Center of Art and Design, AK, 2019
- Fashioning The Black Body, curated by Dario Calmese, St. Louis MO, 2019
- PULSE Contemporary Art Fair Miami, Claire Oliver Gallery, 2018
- EXPO Chicago, Claire Oliver Gallery, Chicago IL · 2018
- PULSE Miami, Claire Oliver Gallery, Miami Beach FL · 2017
- Howard University Alumni group exhibit, The Long Gallery, Harlem USA · 2017
- The Kinsey Collection, group exhibition, Hong Kong University, Hong Kong, China · 2017
- Guerillas in the Midst group exhibit, Rush Arts Gallery Philadelphia, PA · 2016
- East Orange is The New Black, group exhibition, Manufacturers Village, East Orange, NJ · 2016
- Ubuntu, Quilts dedicated to Bishop Desmond Tutu, group exhibition Organized by Michigan State College, Nelson Mandela



The Warmth Of Other Sons (detail)

Cotton, silk, wool and velvet quilted and appliqué

144 x 108 x 2 in | 365.8 x 274.3 x 5.1 cm



- Gateway Museum, Robben Island, Capetown, South Africa, Stellenbosch University, Pretoria, S.A · 2016
- Kingsborough Community College, solo exhibit · 2016
 - Diaspora Now, group exhibit organized by Ms. Lauryn Hill, The Kings Theatre, Brooklyn, NY · 2016
 - Thelma Harris Fine Art, a group exhibit, Color! , Oakland, CA · 2015
 - Arkansas Art Center, 30 Americans Exhibit, Little Rock, Arkansas · 2015
 - Thelma Harris Fine Art, White Linen Nights, group show, Oakland, CA · 2014
 - International Quilt Convention in Africa, Women of Color Quilters Network, Johannesburg, South Africa · 2014
 - Atlanta History Center, The Kinsey Collection, Atlanta, Georgia · 2014
 - Art in the Atrium, Morristown Courthouse, Morristown NJ · 2014
 - Evo-Lu-TION exhibit and calendar at Hearne Fine Art, Little Rock. AK · 2013
 - The Harvey B. Gantt Center, Wells Fargo Presents: The Kinsey Collection, Charlotte, NC · 2013
 - The Reginald Lewis Museum, Wells Fargo Presents: The Kinsey Collection, Baltimore, MD · 2013
 - The Museum of the African Diaspora, San Francisco, The Kinsey Collection · 2013
 - And Still, We Rise, National Underground Railroad Freedom Center, Cincinnati, OH · 2013
 - Art on the Atrium, Morristown Courthouse, Morristown NJ · 2013
 - DR Greenway Land Trust, Marie Matthews gallery · 2013
 - Solos House Gallery, Newark NJ, egregious errors of splendor · 2013
 - Epcot Center, Walt Disney World, The Kinsey Collection · 2013-16
 - The Charles Wright Museum, Detroit, Michigan, World African Heritage Festival · 2012
 - D&R Greenway land trust, NJ · 2012
 - The San Antonio Museum of Art, San Antonio Collects · 2011
 - Smithsonian Museum of American Art, African American Art Gallery, Shared Treasures, the Collection of Bernard and Shirley Kinsey · 2010
 - The Journey of Hope in America; Quilts Inspired by President Barack Obama, opens at The National African American Museum, Wilberforce Ohio, Japan International Quilt Festival, Yokohama, Japan · 2010-13
 - Textural Rhythms: Quilting the Jazz Tradition, Curated by Dr. Carolyn Mazloomi, traveling show, American Folk Art Museum, New York, Museum of Texas Tech, Lubbock, Texas, the Reginald Lewis Museum, Baltimore, MD, the Kings Art Complex, Columbus, OH · 2009-11
 - Quilts For Obama, Washington Historical Society, Washington, D.C · 2009
 - Quilting Together Our Heritage, Bisa Butler and Phyllis Stephens, Chattanooga African American Museum · 2009
 - Seeing Jazz a tribute to the masters, Manchester Craftsmen Guild Group Show Pittsburgh, PA · 2009
 - New York Black Fine Art Show, Hearne Fine Art · 2009
 - Harlem Sewn Up, group show, The Dwyer Cultural Center, Harlem, NYC · 2009
 - Festival of the Seas, Cruise ship art show hosted by Hearne Fine Art · 2009
 - Two Decades of Hearne Fine Art, Group Show, Chattanooga African American Museum · 2009
 - National Black Fine Art Show, New York · 2008
 - Quilting African American Women's History, curated by Dr. Carolyn Mazloomi, The National Afro American Museum and Cultural Center, Wilberforce, OH · 2008
 - Group exhibit Daughters of the Diaspora, Hearne Fine Art Gallery, Little Rock Arkansas · 2008
 - Sisters and Friends Art Show, Bloomington, IL · 2008
 - Mason Murer Fine Art, Atlanta, GA · 2008
 - Sisters of the Diaspora, Hearne Fine · 2008
 - Storytellers Quilters retreat, featured artist, CT · 2008
 - Treasures of the Silk Road University of Pennsylvania Museum of Art and Architecture trade show · 2008
 - Face to Face, three-person show Gallery 1978, Maplewood Arts Center, Maplewood, New Jersey · 2008
 - The Kinsey Collection, touring exhibition, The California African American Museum, Los Angeles California, The DuSable Museum of History, Chicago, IL, The Norton Museum of Art, West Palm Beach Florida, The California Museum, Sacramento, CA, The Mary Brogan Museum of Art and Science, Tallahassee, FL · 2008
 - The African American Museum of Philadelphia, Warm Spirits Art, Little Rock, Arkansas · 2008
 - Group show Astah's Art Gallery, Maplewood, NJ · 2006
 - Parallels and Intersections quilts curated by Dr. Carolyn Mazloomi, The International Freedom Center, OH · 2006
 - The Graham Collection, Washington, D.C. · 2005
 - Pictorial Quilt Exhibit, Macon Museum of Art, GA · 2005
 - Southwest Art Center Exhibitor, GA · 2005
 - E and S Gallery exhibitor, Louisville, KY · 2005
 - Group exhibit at The Pingry School, Martinsville, NJ · 2005
 - Hearne Fine Art 2-person show, Little Rock, AK · 2005
 - The home of Moses and Caroline Chadwick, CA · 2005
 - Sienna Visions group exhibit, Plainfield, NJ · 2005



- Dwellings Home Décor, Washington D.C. solo show · 2005
- Group exhibit C.C Kabaka's creations, Philadelphia PA · 2005
- International Collectors Show, Atlanta GA · 2005
- The Graham Collection Group show, Washington, D.C · 2005
- Avisca Fine Art, Atlanta, GA Group show · 2005
- Baltimore Black Art Expo Exhibitor, Baltimore, MD · 2004
- Hearne Fine Art Group Show, AK · 2004
- National Black Fine Art Show, New York · 2004
- The Graham Collection, D.C. Group exhibit · 2004
- October Gallery exhibitor, Philadelphia, PA · 2004
- Loft Home art and Design, Atlanta GA solo exhibit · 2004
- Philadelphia International Art · 2004
- Transcultural Art exhibit, 4 person show, The Bergen Museum, NJ · 2004
- Newark Open Doors Tour, Symphony Hall, Newark NJ · 2004
- Savacou Art Gallery exhibitor, NY, NY · 2004
- October Gallery featured artist, Philadelphia, PA · 2003
- Newark Open Doors Studio Tour – WISOMM Mansion, Newark, NJ · 2003
- Philadelphia International Art Expo exhibitor · 2003
- Best new artist The Coalition of 100 Black Women Philadelphia chapter · 2003
- Savacou Gallery Art exhibitor, New York · 2003
- Unique Home Art Gallery solo exhibit, Plainfield, NJ · 2003

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