

**ANYTA THOMAS**  
**WIRE MESH ARTIST, AUTHOR**

**EDUCATION**

University of Delaware, BA in Arts and Science, Major: Visual Communication, Minor: Art (1998)  
Art Institute of Philadelphia, Associates Technical Degree in Graphic Design (2001)

**AWARDS**

- Leeway Foundation Grantee (2005)
- Juried competition: Manhattan Arts International: Annual "HER STORY", Awarded 1 year free membership (2008)
- Juried competition: 1of 15 artists selected to participate in UBS Investment Bank's Black History Group Exhibit in Stamford, CT where the theme is African Diaspora Music (2011)

**BOOKS**

- Broken: A Collection of Social Poetry 2020  
Promotion: online sales and art exhibitions
- Journey of A Masterpiece: Memoir of Art, Life, and Creative Parenting 2019  
Promotion: WURD 96.1 FM & 900 AM, radio interview with Michael Coard (September 29th 2019)  
Moody Jones Gallery – Book signing (December 2019)
- When Mesh Life Evolves 2017  
Promotion: Online sales and during art exhibitions
- Hey! I'm A Big Girl Now! 2016  
Promotion: Hearne Fine Art Gallery- Pyramid Books (Online Zoom reading with Alana), Home (2020)  
- Hearne Fine Art Gallery- Pyramid Books (Book signing & Reading), Little Rock, AR (May 2017)  
- 23RD ANNUAL Philadelphia Locks Conference, Philadelphia, PA (October 2017)  
- Diamond Foundation Scholarship Luncheon, NJ (April 2017)  
- Children's Book Festival, NJ (October 2017)

**INTERVIEWS/VIDEOS/TV**

- WURD 96.1 FM & 900 AM, radio interview with Michael Coard (Sept 2019)
- KWCP 98.9 LPFM radio station, Little Rock, AR (2017)
- Hearne Fine Art Gallery (ARTIST Video Archive), Little Rock, AR (2017)
- WURD 96.1 FM & 900 AM, radio interview with Michael Coard (April 2012)
- ArtJaz Gallery, "IN THE STUDIO", featured artist Anyta Thomas, Video (August 2011)
- UBS LEAD Network & Diversity Company and Picture That LLC, hosted a national webinar interview & tour with 5 artists from the "RHYTHM OF ARTISTIC SOUL EXHIBIT" (March 2011)
- KYW NEWS RADIO 1060am (Feb 2010)
- October Gallery, "interview with the artist" internet TV (2010)
- HGTV's "That's Clever" TV show (2006)

**REPRESENTATION**

- Hearne Fine Art Gallery, Little Rock, AR (2009-current)
- Moody Jones Gallery, Glenside, PA (2017-current)
- Redfern Fine Art, Raleigh, NC representing (works on consignment 2011)
- ArtJaz Gallery, Philadelphia, PA (2006-2018)

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- Sande Webster Gallery, Philadelphia, PA (2006-2010)
- David Rocco Gallery, Philadelphia, PA representing works on consignment (2012-2018)
- Art-Exchange.com (2006-2015)
- Picou Fine Art Gallery, Atlanta, GA (2009-2015)

**ORGANIZATIONS**

- Philadelphia Sculptors – board member (2020 – current)
- Philadelphia Sculptors – member (2005-2016)
- Salon Joose: Artist Collaborative and studio space, Philadelphia, PA, Co-owner/operator (2009-2011) and Salon Joose: “JOOSE UNLEASHED!” artists internet radio show, Co-owner/operator (2009-2011)
- Wire Magic – member (2005- 2010)
- Black Art in America – member (2010-2011)
- Tri-State Sculptors – member (2010-2012)

**COLLECTIONS (Collection list is available upon request)**

**SOLO EXHIBITIONS, GROUP EXHIBITIONS and WORKSHOPS (LISTING: 2005-2020)**

- Hearne Fine Art Gallery Women Exhibit (BEAUTIFUL VIRTUAL EXHIBIT & DISCUSSION), April 22 – June 12 2021
- Moody Jones Gallery, (OMEGA OMEGA CHAPTER ‘ART OF INVESTING’ WEBINAR), panelist, Dec 15 2020
- Hearne Fine Art Gallery (A MINDFUL MINUTE: NAVIGATING THE DUAL PANDEMIC OF RACISM & COVID-19 THROUGH THE ARTS WEBINAR), Dec 7 2020
- Moody Jones Gallery, (PHENOMENAL WOMEN VIRTUAL EXHIBIT & DISCUSSION), Sept 14- Dec 31 2020
- Moody Jones Gallery, (WHEN MESH LIVE EVOLVES Exhibit), Glenside, PA, April 6- May 6 2018
- Hearne Fine Art Gallery, (DAUGHTERS OF THE DIASPORA), Little Rock, AR, February13 - May2018
- Hearne Fine Art Gallery Women Exhibit (BEYOND MAGIC Exhibit), Little Rock, AR, April - May2017
- Harlem Fine Art Show, represented by Redfern Fine Art, New York, NY, February 2012
- CERES GALLERY, “EXPOSURE” Group Exhibit, New York, NY, December 6 – 13, 2011
- Thomas Jefferson University Art Show, Philadelphia, PA, November 28 – Dec 2, 2011
- REFERN ART SHOW ATLANTA, represented by Redfern Fine Art, Atlanta, GA, November 2011
- (POST) Philadelphia Open Studio Tours hosted by Salon Joose Studio, Philadelphia, PA, Group, Oct 2011
- African Festival of the Arts, represented by Redfern Fine Art, Chicago, IL, September 2011
- Hearne Fine Art Gallery, Group Exhibition (Festival At Sea Cruise), Little Rock, AR, July-Aug 2011
- ArtJaz Gallery, 11th Annual Summer Group Exhibition, Philadelphia, PA, June 2011
- Salon Joose, Philadelphia, PA, “PASSION & PATHWAYS: BREAKING BARRIERS”, Curator: Anyta Thomas, June 2011
- Jackson Art Gallery, Washington, DC, “32 CURRENT” exhibit: E.J. Montgomery Scholarship Fund., May 2011
- PIFA (Philadelphia International Festival of the Arts), demonstrator for Philadelphia Sculptors, April 2011
- ArtJaz Gallery, Philadelphia, PA, demonstration workshop, April 2011
- African American Art Museum of Philadelphia, demonstration workshop, April 2011
- African American Art Museum of Philadelphia, ANNUAL AWARD CEREMONY & ART AUCTION GALA., March 2011
- Boys & Girls Club, Camden, NJ – workshop with Parkside Business & Community in Partnership, March 2011
- Harlem Fine Art Show, New York, NY, vendor, February 2011
- Art in the Atrium Exhibit titled “MEMORIES OF RUSSELL”, represented by ArtJaz Gallery, January 2011
- ArtJaz Gallery, Philadelphia, PA, “Small Works & More” Group Exhibition, December 2010

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- African American Art Museum of Philadelphia, .ARTFUL INTENTIONS., December 2010
- Thomas Jefferson University Art Show, Philadelphia, PA, November 2010  
-- Selected to display work at the Board Committee Meeting Dinner and at the Scott Library October Gallery, Philadelphia, PA
- International Artist Showcase November 2010
- Christina Cultural Art Center of Delaware, Wilmington, DE, Solo Exhibition, October 2010
- Tri-State Sculptors Conference, Baltimore, MD, Participated with Philadelphia Sculptors Group, October 2010
- ArtJaz Gallery, Philadelphia, PA, Group Exhibition, August 2010
- Salon Joose Studio solo Exhibit, Philadelphia, PA, SHADES OF AN EPIPHANY, July 2010
- Boys and Girls Club, Camden, NJ – workshop with Parkside Business and Community in Partnership (2010)
- African American Art Museum of Philadelphia, ANNUAL AWARD CEREMONY & ART AUCTION GALA., March 2010
- City Hall, Philadelphia, PA, ON THE RISE -The Art Gallery at City Hall  
- Inaugural Exhibition of Philadelphia Emerging Artists – interview spot by 1060am, February 2010
- Moody and Associates Law Firm – private holiday exhibit, Philadelphia, PA December 2009
- Hearne Fine Art Gallery, Little Rock, AR, Textile Group Exhibition (Festival At Sea Cruiseline), June 2009
- Boys & Girls Club, Camden, NJ – workshop with Parkside Business & Community in Partnership (2009)
- Sande Webster Gallery, Philadelphia, PA, “WHEN MESH IMMITATES LIFE” Solo Exhibition, January 2009
- National Black Fine Art Show, represented by Sande Webster Gallery, January 2009
- National Black Fine Art Show, represented by Sande Webster Gallery, January 2008
- You’ve Been Framed, Newark, DE, .Spiritual Expressions., April 2007
- Manhattan Arts International Online Gallery, “Her Story Online Exhibit”, April 2007
- Nzinga Cultural Connections, Wilmington, DE, March 2007
- City Hall, Philadelphia, PA, .Metals. Exhibition, February 2007
- ArtJaz Gallery, Philadelphia, PA, .Heart & Mind. Group Exhibition, February 2007
- National Black Fine Art Show, New York, NY, represented by Sande Webster Gallery, January 2007
- African American Art Museum of Philadelphia, “Silent Voices, Loud Echoes”, December 2006
- Art Institute of Philadelphia, .Alumni Show., November 2006
- Journey Home Art Gallery, Philadelphia, PA, .Journey Home Artists Group Show., December 2005
- Philadelphia International Art Expo, represented by Journey Home Gallery, November 2005
- Art Institute of Philadelphia, .Alumni Show., October 2005
- Healthcare for the Homeless, Washington, DC, .Journey Home Artists Group Show., June 2005
- Journey Home Solo Exhibit, .SPIRITUAL EXPRESSIONS., funded by the Leeway Foundation, May 2005
- Resources for Human Development, Philadelphia, PA, Oasis & Journey Home Artists Group Show., April 2005