

### **EDUCATION**

- 2003 MA, Southern Studies University of Mississippi Oxford, MS
- 1993 BFA, Printmaking, cum laude Maryland Institute College of Art (MICA) Baltimore, MD
- 1991 Fine Arts Studies University of Georgia Studies Abroad Cortona, ITALY
- 1989 Visual Arts High School for the Performing and Visual Arts (HSPVA) Houston, TX

### **GALLERY REPRESENTATION**

1997-Present Koelsch Gallery - Houston, TX

#### **BOOKS**

- 2023 HSPVA AT 50: A Unique History (self-published in collaboration with HSPVA)
- 2020 A Good Meal Is Hard to Find: Storied Recipes from the Deep South (Chronicle Books), co-authored with Martha Hall Foose

## **ARTISTS' RESIDENCIES**

- 2024 Artist in Residence St. John's School Houston, TX
- 2021 Artist's Residency JX Farms Cleveland, MS
- 2015 Artist in Residence Appalachian Food Summit Abingdon, VA

## **AWARDS & GRANTS**

- 2020 City of Houston CARES Act Program for Arts & Culture Grant **Houston Arts Alliance** Houston, TX Support for Artists and Creative Individuals Grant (\$15k) **Houston Arts Alliance** Houston, TX
- 2017 Harvey Arts Recovery Fund Grant Houston Arts Alliance Houston, TX Hurricane Harvey Artist's Grant - Mid-America Arts Alliance - Kansas City, MO Presenter's Scholarship - Oral History Association - Minneapolis, MN
- 2016 Houston's Harlem Renaissance Successfully funded Kickstarter campaign Online
- 2014 Tabasco Guardian of the Tradition Southern Foodways Alliance Oxford, MS
- 2012 New Media Award International Association of Culinary Professionals (IACP) New York, NY Short-Form Audio Award International Association of Culinary Professionals (IACP) New York, NY
- 2009 Travel + Leisure Global Vision Award: Culinary Heritage (SFA Culinary Trails) New York, NY
- 2006 Elbert R. Hilliard Award for Outstanding Oral History Project: Mississippi Delta Hot Tamale Trail Mississippi Historical Society Jackson, MS
- 2005 Artist's MiniGrant Mississippi Arts Commission Jackson, MS
  - Elbert R. Hilliard Award for Outstanding Oral History Project: Doe's Eat Place **Mississippi Historical Society** Jackson, MS
- 2004 '04 Tastemaker Awards Food & Wine Magazine New York, NY
- 1992 Jules M. Bodarky Scholarship Maryland Institute College of Art Baltimore, MD
- 1991 Departmental Scholarship in Printmaking Maryland Institute College of Art Baltimore, MD
- 1989 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Award **National Foundation for Advancement in the Arts** Miami, FL
  Fanny B. Talheimer Scholarship **Maryland Institute College of Art** Baltimore, MD
  Rhode Island School of Design's Annual Art Award **HSPVA** Houston, TX
  CRS, Incorporated Architects Scholarship **HSPVA** Houston, TX

### **EXHIBITIONS**

- 2023 Hot Tamale Pop-Up Group Exhibition Indigo Gallery Greenville, MS
- 2020 Coronavirus Crazy Quilt: paintings by Amy C. Evans Koelsch Gallery Houston, TX
- 2018 Sacred Spaces: Houston Landscapes by Amy C. Evans & Marie Valdez Koelsch Gallery Houston, TX

44 Texas Artists - Louise Hopkins Underwood Center for the Arts (LHUCA) - Lubbock, TX

Sacred Spaces: Houston Landscapes by Amy C. Evans & Marie Valdez - San Jacinto College South - Houston, TX

2017 Annual All-Women Group Show - The Living Room Gallery - Water Valley, MS

UNBOUND: Documentary as Art - The Carrack - Durham, NC

Feast Your Eyes: Celebrating the Food of the South - Myrtle Beach Art Museum - Myrtle Beach, SC

My Houston - RecRoom - Houston, TX

Our Food Access - University of Tennessee Art Gallery - Nashville, TN

My Houston II - Koelsch Haus - Houston, TX

2016 Houston's Harlem Renaissance - Center for the Study of Southern Culture - University of Mississippi - Oxford, MS

Saltville Stories, Biscuit Love - Nashville, TN

Things That Go With Oysters, Joseph's Cottage - Port St. Joe, FL

Saltville Stories, Buxton Hall Barbecue - Asheville, NC

2015 Saltville Stories, The Harvest Table Restaurant - Meadowview, VA

Amy C. Evans, Langford Market - Houston, TX

One Night Stand Motel Art Show, Ole Miss Motel - Oxford, MS

Things You Find at the Five & Dime: Drawings by Amy C. Evans, The Greenhouse on Porter – Ocean Springs, MS

Amy C. Evans: My Houston, Koelsch Haus - Houston, TX

2014 One Night Stand Motel Art Show, Ole Miss Motel - Oxford, MS

Group Exhibit, Koelsch Haus - Houston, TX

Amy C. Evans: Vintage Beauty, Kiehl's - Houston, TX

- 2013 New Work, Koelsch Gallery Houston, TX
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- 2011 New Work, Koelsch Gallery Houston, TX
- 2010 Amy Evans: Storied Objects, Amelia Presents Oxford, MS

Alumni Photography Exhibition, Center for the Study of Southern Culture - University, MS

2009 Contrast, Warehouse Gallery - Cleveland, MS

Group Exhibit, Gallery Point Leflore - Greenwood, MS

Landfill Art Project, Marquis Gallery - Wilkes-Barre, PA

PTA Bake Sale and Spaghetti Dinner, Koelsch Gallery - Houston, TX

Eudoric Eurythmy: Visual Arts Based on the Life and Works of Eudora Welty - Highland's Fine Art - Jackson, MS

Amy Evans: Memories & Mementos, Koelsch Gallery - Houston, TX

2008 Group Exhibit, HIghland's Fine Art - Jackson, MS

Price Is Right, David Lusk Gallery - Memphis, TN

Gulf-South Regional Contemporary Art, BECA Gallery - New Orleans, LA

2007 Amy Evans: The History of Objects, Koelsch Gallery – Houston, TX

Art Miami: Koelsch Gallery, Miami Beach Convention Center - Miami, FL

Meet the Folks Behind the Food, Gammill Gallery - University, MS

Group Exhibit, Taylor P.O. Gallery - Taylor, MS

2006 REMIX: Paintings by Amy Evans, Kentuck Museum - Northport, AL

Amy Evans: New Work, Koelsch Gallery - Houston, TX

- Southern Food in conTEXT, The Savvy Gourmet New Orleans, LA con(text), Koelsch Gallery Houston,  $\mathsf{TX}$
- Southern Food in conTEXT: Photographs by Amy C. Evans, Gammill Gallery University, MS Amy Evans, Ann Huey & Vanessa Estrada, Koelsch Gallery Houston, TX
- 2004 Group Exhibit, Cat Head Delta Blues & Folk Art Clarksdale, MS Amy Evans: Fat & Happy, Koelsch Gallery Houston, TX
- 2003 Amy Evans: Mississippi, Koelsch Gallery Houston, TX
  Art Miami: Koelsch Gallery, Miami Beach Convention Center Miami, FL
- Annual Juried Exhibition, Gadsden Museum of Art Gadsden, AL
   6th Annual Way Cool, Koelsch Gallery Houston, TX
   Yoknapatawpha 2001: Town & Country, Gammill Gallery University, MS
- 2001 Amy Evans: Retrospective Show & Sale, Koelsch Gallery Houston, TX
- 2000 5th Annual Way Cool, Koelsch Gallery Houston, TX Faculty Exhibit, HSPVA - Houston, TX Amy Evans & Henry Rayburn, Koelsch Gallery – Houston, TX The Big Show, Lawndale Art Center – Houston, TX
- 1999 4th Annual Way Cool, Koelsch Gallery Houston, TX Art Houston, Koelsch Gallery - Houston, TX Three Person Exhibit, Koelsch Gallery - Houston, TX

One Night Hang, Studio Gallery - Houston, TX

HSPVA: Alive and Making It, Transco Tower Gallery - Houston, TX

- Small Works, Koelsch Gallery Houston, TX
   Road Show, Houston Art Car Parade Houston, TX
   3rd Annual Way Cool, Koelsch Gallery Houston, TX
- 1997 Group Exhibit, Koelsch Gallery Houston, TX
  Group Exhibit, Ocotillo Gallery Houston, TX
  Amy Evans: Paintings, San Jacinto College North Houston, TX
- 1996 Generation X, Diverse Works Houston, TX

## **PRESS**

- 2020 "Coast to Coast: 50 Women-Run Businesses in America to Shop This Holiday (Mississippi)" (print & online) Marie Claire December 2020
  - "The Best Cookbooks for Southerners in 2020" (print & online) Garden & Gun- December 2020
  - "The Art of Southern Cooking" by Catherine D. Anspon Paper City: Dallas April 2020 p. 28.
  - "Southern Comfort in A Cookbook" by Catherine D. Anspon *Paper City: Houston* online: https://tinyurl.com/ComfortCookbook
  - "A Good Meal Is Hard To Find Is The Delicious Diversion You Need Right Now" by Leslie Kelly *Forbes* online: https://tinyurl.com/diversionyouneed
  - "'A Good Meal is Hard to Find' cookbook showcases charming blend of Southern food, art and storytelling" by Serena Henderson *Mississippi Today* April 25, 200 online: https://tinyurl.com/charmingblend
  - "The Cookbook We Need Right Now" by Phillip Rhodes *Garden & Gun* online: https://tinyurl.com/cookbookweneed
  - "AT HOME: Bookshelf: A Good Meal Is Hard to Find" The Local Palate April/May 2020, p. 44.
- 2018 "The Art of The Saltville Centennial Cookbook" by Ronni Lundy *Southern Cultures* VOL. 23, NO. 1: APPALACHIA
- 2017 "ART & PIE: On Making Connections, Storytelling, and the Professional Life of Amy Evans" by Anna Hamilton - *The Renaissance Woman* - May 2017 - Online
  - "ART + BYGONE Dining" by Catherine D. Anspon Paper City: Houston February 2017 p.52

- 2016 "When the Napkin Is the Main Course" by Sharon L. Taylor *Paper City: Houston* May 2, 2016 Online
- 2014 "Amy Evans: Art & Pie" by Heather Richie Oxford American September 24, 2014 Online
- 2013 "Art Houston Redux" by Catherine D. Anspon *Paper City, Houston* July 2013 p. 6 "Talking boudin, crawfish and Burger King milkshakes with Southern Foodways Alliance oral historian
  - Amy C. Evans" Mark Maynard Blog March 16, 2013. Online: https://tinyurl.com/talkingfood
- 2011 "Food Crush: Artist and Southern Food Historian Amy Evans" by Kat Kinsman *CNN's Eatocracy* November 30, 2011 Online
- 2009 "Great Travel Jobs: Oral Historian with the Southern Foodways Alliance" by Courtney Crowder –
  PeterGreenberg.com March 19, 2009. Online: https://tinyurl.com/greattraveljobs

## RADIO, PODCAST & TELEVISION APPEARANCES

- 2023 "New book celebrates 50 years of HSPVA" Houston Matters Houston Public Media News 88.7 FM
- 2020 "Merging art, recipes, and Southern cooking with Martha Hall Foose & Amy C. Evans **Salt + Spine** Episode 93
  - "Conversations: Amy C. Evans, A Good Meal Is Hard to Find: Storied Recipes From the Deep South with Dan Skinner" **KPR's Conversations** Kansas Public Radio
  - "Not Just Another Cookbook" Deep South Dining Mississippi Public Broadcasting
  - "Houston Remembers: An Interview with Amy C. Evans" The Houston Hour KPFT 90.1
- 2017 "Amy C. Evans and Houston Eats" Open Journal KPFT 90.1
- 2015 "Amy Cameron Evans, Artist" Edacious: Food Talk for Gluttons Episode 20
  - "J. Q. Dickenson Salt Works & Amy C. Evans, Artist" Tennessee Farm Table Radio Show
- 2014 "Memories & Memory Keepers, Sorties & Storytellers with Amy C. Evans, Oral Historian" Secret Cuisines & Sacred Rituals with Vilasi Venkatachalam TogiNet Radio
  - "Down on the Farm" Fit to Eat Mississippi Public Broadcasting
- 2011 "Foodways Scholar Amy Evans" Mississippi Arts Hour Mississippi Public Broadcasting
- 2010 "Southern Wine Trail" Food & Wine with Chef Jamie Gwen KFWB NEWS TALK 980 in California
- 2009 "Southern Barbecue" The Walt Bodine Show KCUR 89.3 FM, Kansas City's NPR affiliate
- "Mississippi Delta Hot Tamale Trail" Feasting on Asphalt with Alton Brown Food Network TV
   "When Southern Cooking Migrates North" Weekend America National Public Radio
- 2005 "Bartenders of New Orleans" **Bob Edwards Show** XM Satellite Radio

# ARTIST'S TALKS

- 2018 My Houston: Documenting My Hometown Through Art and Oral History **Center for Public History**, **University of Houston** Houston, TX
- 2017 My Houston: Documenting My Hometown Through Art and Oral History **Oral History Association's**Annual Meeting Minneapolis, MN
  - My Houston II Looking at Art Koelsch Haus Houston, TX
- 2016 Houston's Harlem Renaissance **Center for the Study of Southern Culture** University of Mississippi Oxford, MS
  - Literacy Through Photography at FotoFest: Using Photography to Raise Social Awareness and Writing Confidence **Houston Arts Partners Conference** Houston, TX
  - Art & Pie: A Workshop with Ashley Capps, Tara Jensen & Jessica Rosenkoetter; **Buxton Hall Barbecue** Asheville, NC
- 2015 Saltville Stories Appalachian Food Summit Abingdon, VA
  - Saltville Stories The Harvest Table Meadowview, VA
  - My Houston Looking at Art Koelsch Haus Houston, TX
  - My Houston Koelsch Haus Houston, TX

# OTHER LECTURES & PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

- 2023 "The Arts as Folklorist's Muse: Educating a Child of Conscience," co-panelists: Suzanne (Suzy) Seriff (University of Texas at Austin), Linda Deafenbaugh (Folk Arts-Cultural Treasures School) American Folklife Society Annual Meeting in Portland, OR November 4, 2023
- 2021 "History is Lunch: A Good Meal Is Hard to Find, Unless You Know Where to Look with Amy C. Evans and Martha Hall Foose" Mississippi Department of Archives & History July 28, 2021
  - "Summer of Women: Amy C. Evans & Martha Hall Foose" (virtual author event) **Brazos Bookstore** Houston, TX
- 2015 "The Big Leap: Lisa Donovan, Amy C. Evans, and Jennifer Justus" **Southern Food Writers'**Conference Knoxville, TN
  - "Oral Histories: Collaborating with Storytellers" **Southern Food Writers' Conference** Knoxville, TN
  - "What do Selena, Soy Sauce, and Luby's Have to do with the History of Tex-Mex?" **5th Annual Foodways Texas Symposium** San Antonio, TX
  - "Oral History Fieldwork: Making Connections" Carolina Cooks, Carolina Eats class led by Drs. Marcie Ferris and Sharon Holland University of North Carolina Chapel Hill, NC
  - "Show & Tell" North Carolina Comedy Arts Festival The ArtsCenter Carrboro, NC
  - "Lunchtime Colloquium: Amy C. Evans" **Southern Oral History Program (SOHP)** University of North Carolina Chapel Hill, NC
- 2014 "Houston's Underbelly" Southern Foodways Alliance's 17th Foodways Symposium Oxford, MS "Writing Texas Food Culture" - Byte of Texas Conference - Austin, TX
  - "How Oral History Can Enrich Your Storytelling Through Print, Film, or Audio" **Association**of Food Journalists Annual Conference Memphis, TN
- 2013 "Table Talks: Oral History and the Documentation of American Foodways" **Oral History**Association's Annual Meeting Oklahoma City, OK

### **PUBLISHED ARTICLES**

- 2024 "The Mississippi Delta Hot Tamale Trail," **Southern Women Who Cook**. Toni Tipton Martin, Editor. America's Test Kitchen, Boston, MA. Forthcoming, Fall 2024.
  - "Writing and Wandering: Kiese Laymon," *Rice Magazine*, Spring 2024, online: https://magazine.rice.edu/spring-2024/the-big-questions
  - "School of Humanities: The Big Questions," Rice Magazine, Spring 2024, pp. 62-66.
- 2021 "Art & Pie: Words & Paintings," The Bitter Southerner, Issue No. 1, May 2021.
- 2019 "Hitting Home: Art Imitating Life in A Sixth-Grade Classroom," *Teachers & Writers Magazine*, May 16, 2019, online: https://tinyurl.com/ArtImitating
- 2018 "My Houston: Documenting My Hometown Through Art and Oral History," *The Southern Quarterly:*A Journal of Arts and Letters in The South, Vol. 56, Fall 2018, Number 1, pp. 86-95.
- 2017 "Woe Is Houston? Aw, Hell No," *The Bitter Southerner*, August 2017: https://tinyurl.com/WoelsHOU "The Education of Bobby Joe Moon," *Mississippi Folklife*, July 2017: https://tinyurl.com/BobbyMoon
- 2016 "Turning Back the Hands of Time: Jackson, Mississippi's Olde-Tyme Deli," *Southern Jewish Life Magazine*, October 2016, Volume 26, Issue 10, pp. 47-50.
  - "Tapping Tradition: Houston's Icehouse Renaissance," *The Local Palate*, September 2016, pp. 78-85.
- 2015 Foreword, *Saints of Old Florida*. Authors: Melissa Farrell, Christina McDermott, Emily Raffield. PRC Book Printing, Hatboro, PA, pp.6-7.
  - "Delta Hot Tamale Festival," Mississippi Folklife, online: https://tinyurl.com/DeltaHTF

- "The Joy of Listening: Talking with SFA Filmmaker Joe York," *The Local Palate*, October 2015, pp. 63-64.
- "Houston's New Heights," The Local Palate, June/July 2015, pp. 88-95.
- "Angela, Agnes, Esther & Ivy," Southern Cultures: Food Issue, Spring 2015, Cover, pp. 8-14.
- "The Interpreter and the Source," The Local Palate, April 2015,
- "The Oysterman," *The Bitter Southerner*, 27 January 2015. http://bittersoutherner.com/the-oysterman/#.Vg7jG2TBzGc
- 2014 "Southern Food Group: Hot Tamales," *Garden & Gun: Good Eats*, June 27, 2014. Web.
- 2011 "Country Flavor: The Carter Family Fold," *Saveur*, Issue #138, May 2011.
- 2010 "Culinary Tourism," *The New Encyclopedia of Southern Culture: Vol. 16: Sports & Recreation*, Harvey Jackson, ed., pp. 224-227.
  - "The Politics of Pork: Culinary Histories of Soul Food and Barbecue." *The Journal of Southern History*, Feb. 2010, Vol. 76, Issue 1, p. 222.
  - "From Barbecue to Baklava: The Delta's Culinary Crossroads," *Cornbread Nation 5: The Best of Southern Food Writing*, Fred Sauceman, ed., pp. 232-234.
- 2009 "Chance Meetings and Back Roads: Making Connections Through Food," *Southern Cultures: The Edible South*, Winter 2009, pp. 67-77.
  - "History in a Bun," Now & Then: Foodways, Vol. 25, No. 1, Spring/Summer 2009, pp. 56-57.
  - "Birmingham's House Wine," Now & Then: Foodways, Vol. 25, No. 1, Spring/Summer 2009, p. 57.
- 2008 "Wines of Garden Gate Vineyards," *Edible Piedmont*, Fall 2008, pp. 26-28.
  - "Tamales," *The Encyclopedia of Arkansas History and Culture*, online: https://tinyurl.com/ARtamales
- 2007 "Hot Tamales," *The New Encyclopedia of Southern Culture: Vol. 7:* Foodways, John T. Edge, ed., pp. 184-185.
  - "The Mississippi Delta Hot Tamale Trail," The Southern Quarterly, Winter 2007, pp. 115-125.
  - "Down Home Blues," Delta Magazine, May/June 2007, pp. 56-58.
  - "The Changing Face of Barbecue," Slow Food Magazine, Oct. 2007, pp. 23-24.
- 2006 "Culinary Crossroads," *Delta Magazine*, September/October 2006, pp. 106-110.
- 2005 "The Rings of Saturn," *The Food Section*, Sept. 9, 2005. Web.
  - "In Her Own Words," *The Food Section*, Sept. 9, 2005. Web
  - "Basilica Casamento and The Patron Saint of Oysters," The Food Section, Sept. 7, 2005. Web.
  - "No Money, No Eggs," The Food Section, Sept. 6, 2005. Web.
  - "In The Kitchen With the Blues," *Delta Magazine*, July/August 2005, pp. 64-65.

### **TFACHING**

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2021 - Present	Kinder High School for the Performing and Visual Arts (HSPVA) - Teaching Artist - Houston, TX
2017 - Present	Writers in the Schools (WITS) - Teaching Writer & Lead Writer - Houston, TX
2018 - 2019	Theater Under the Stars (TUTS) - Teaching Artist & Curriculum Developer/Author - Houston, TX
2018 - 2019	High School for the Performing and Visual Arts (HSPVA) - Teaching Artist - Houston, TX
2016 - 2019	Young Audiences of Houston (YAH) - Teaching Artist - Houston, TX
2015 - 2019	Literacy Through Photography at FotoFest (LTP) - Teaching Artist & Curriculum
	Developer/Author - Houston, TX
2014 - 2015	High School for the Performing and Visual Arts (HSPVA) - Teaching Artist - Houston, TX
2010 - 2014	Southern Foodways Alliance (SFA) - Oral History Workshop Founder/Leader - Oxford, MS

- 2004 2005 University of Mississippi Darkroom Photography Instructor Oxford, MS
- 2002 2003 Hunter Middle School After-School Art Club Leader Drew, MS
- 1996 2001 High School for the Performing and Visual Arts (HSPVA) Teaching Artist Houston, TX

### **VOLUNTEER WORK**

### FRIENDS FOR LIFE ANIMAL SHELTER

Houston, TX 2020 - Present

Responsible for creating original drawings of a variety of animals—from cats to dogs, pigs to parakeets—in support of their annual fundraiser, Awkward Pet Portraits. People wishing to donate to Friends for Life submit photographs of their pets, and then volunteer artists create a quick rendering in return. This year, Awkward Pet Portraits raised more than \$60,000 for Friends for Life.

### I'LL HAVE WHAT SHE'S HAVING

Houston, TX

2017 - Present

Founding member of this collective of women chefs, hospitality professionals, entrepreneurs, physicians, scientists, and artists joining forces in support of women's health and producing a regular program of fundraising events around the city. Since the organization's inception, I have been an integral part of community outreach and am regularly responsible for creating original artworks to help promote various community events, including the now-annual "Well Week," which highlights mental health issues and support via zero-proof cocktails created by some of Houston's celebrated female mixologists. In February 2024, I contributed my third original illustration to be included as part of the organization's annual "Galentine's Day" gift baskets, the proceeds from which support free mammograms for women in the service industry.

## PLANT IT FORWARD FARMS

Houston, TX

2017 - 2018

Initiated a fundraiser by selling limited-edition giclée prints of my "Houston Eats" painting in support of refugee farmers struggling in the wake of Hurricane Harvey, a small individual effort that raised more than \$1,000. This gesture inspired the organization to invite four artists, me included, to collaborate on a new community awareness tool: a poster depicting drawings of plants that grow during Houston's warm season that they called "Farm to Canvas." In 2019, the collaboration grew into a "Farm to Canvas" fundraising effort, turning the original poster image into a large-format archival giclée print, which is currently available for sale on the Plant It Forward Farms website.

## FLOWER MAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Project Row Houses Fall 2015

Served as part of an advisory committee whose members worked together with Project Row Houses to determine and execute an appropriate and lasting way to commemorate Cleveland Turner, aka The Flower Man, and celebrate his life's work. I was responsible for documenting Mr. Tuner's home inside and out to take an inventory of its contents prior to demolition and establish a visual archive of the unique folk environment created by this beloved Houston artist.