

Dawna Gillespie

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Education

2013 B.F.A. *Cum Laude*, *Presidential Scholarship Recipient*, Visual Studies, Texas Tech University, School of Art, Lubbock, TX

Exhibitions

- 2024 *Art in the Canyon*, Art Canyon, Lubbock, TX (solo) (forthcoming November)
- 2024 *The Art of Craftsmanship*, Peter's Valley School of Craft, Sally D. Francisco Gallery, Layton, NJ (national) (group) (forthcoming October 5th)
- 2024 *METALmorphosis: The Art of Transformation*, juror Andy Cooperman, Colorado Metalsmithing Association & Art Students League of Denver, Denver, CO (national) (group) (forthcoming September 27th)
- 2024 *The Nature of Imperfection: Jewelry and Adornment*, jurors: Robert K. Liu, PhD (Co-Editor *Ornament Magazine*), Bella Neyman (Co-Founder *NYC Jewelry Week*) and Lynn Batchelder (contemporary jewelry artist), Society of Arts + Crafts, Boston, MA (international) (online and print catalog)
- 2024 *Resilient: Jewelry that Empowers*, Florida CraftArt, St. Petersburg, FL (group) (national)
- 2023 *Art in the Canyon*, Art Canyon, Lubbock, TX (solo)
- 2023 *The Earring Show 2023*, Craft Council of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC, Canada (international)
- 2022 *CraftBoston Holiday*, Society of Arts + Crafts, Boston, MA (national) (virtual)
- 2022 *Trunk Show*, Hulla B'Lu, Lubbock, TX (solo)
- 2022 *Sawed, Soldered, Constructed*, juror Cindi Strauss, Houston Center for Contemporary Craft, Houston, TX (group) (international)
- 2021 *Voltage: The Power of Contemporary Jewelry*, Society of North American Goldsmiths (SNAG), Eugene, OR (international member) (virtual)
- 2021 *Texas Country Reporter Festival*, VIP Artist, Waxahachie, TX, Courthouse Square (solo)
- 2021 *CraftBoston: Studs & Drops*, Society of Arts + Crafts, Boston, MA (national) (virtual)
- 2021 *Trunk Show*, Wabi Sabi: A Texas Artisan Gallery, Glen Rose, TX (solo)
- 2020 *Art in Bloom*, The Gallery at Flat Rock, Flat Rock, NC, (group) (national)
- 2020 *Brilliant: Jewelers Making Statements*, curator Leslie Zemenek, special guest artist Emiko Oye, Lakewood Center for the Arts, Lake Oswego, OR (international)
- 2019 *23rd Take In the Local Color! Lubbock's Artist Studio Tour*, Lubbock, TX (solo)
- 2019 *Jewelry: Curated by Sydney Lynch*, juror Sydney Lynch, LUX Center for the Arts, Lincoln, NE (national: 1 of 10 jewelers selected)
- 2019 *Celebrating American Craft*, juror Nancie Roark, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN (group)
- 2019 *Statement Pieces*, juror Kate Lydon, Sweetwater Art Center, Sewickley, PA (group) (national)
- 2019 *Hidden Treasures*, juror Don Friedlich, Craft Alliance, St. Louis, MO (group) (national)
- 2018 *VisionMakers2018*, juror Emily Zilber, 108|Contemporary, Tulsa, OK (group) (regional) (catalog)
- 2018 *Cold Connections*, juror Katie Rearick, Waynesburg University, PA (group) (international)
- 2018 *2018 International Metal Jewelry Artistry Awards*, International Bead&Button Show, juror James Carter, Michael Sturlin, and Hazel Wheaton, Wisconsin Center, Milwaukee, WI (finalist)
- 2018 *Textured Soul*, Tornado Gallery, Lubbock, TX (solo)

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- 2024 Society of Arts + Crafts, "The Nature of Imperfection: Jewelry & Adornment." *Hand Made: Jewelry & Adornment*, May 2024, p. 13 and 32-33, online and print catalog, <https://societyofcrafts.org/sac-call-for-entry-1/>
- 2024 Brittany Crittenden, "Ransom Canyon Artist Featured for One-of-a-Kind Creations in International Magazine" *KCBD*, May 1, 2024, <https://www.kcbd.com/2024/05/02/ransom-canyon-artist-featured-one-of-a-kind-creations-international-magazine/>
- 2024 Amber Demien & Dawna Gillespie, "Where the Copper Dust Flies" *In Her Studio*, Summer 2024 Issue (May/June/July), May 2024, p. 130-138
- 2023 Janet Smith, "Creativity Dangles at the Craft Council of BC Gallery's The Earring Show, May 4 to 18." *Stir: Arts & Culture, Vancouver*, May 1, 2023, <https://www.createastir.ca/articles/earring-show-2023-craft-council>
- 2022 Stacy Keith, "Life, Voice, Story through Art: Dawna Gillespie Adornments." *Lubbock Cultural Arts Foundation*, December 21, 2022, <https://lubbockculturalarts.org/life-voice-story-through-art-dawna-gillespie-adornments/>

- 2022 "For This Lubbock Jewelry Artist, No Two Pieces Are the Same." *Texas Monthly*, July 7, 2022, <https://www.texasmonthly.com/video/copper-jewelry-artist-lubbock/>
- 2022 Jean Ann Cantore. "More Than Meets the Eye: Dawna Gillespie Adornments." *Texas Techsan Alumni Magazine*, Spring Issue 2022 (March/April/May), p. 12-17
- 2021 Linda Jerkins. "Dawna Gillespie." *New South Finds*, May 2021, <https://newsouthfinds.com/dawna-gillespie/>
- 2020 Bob & Kelli Phillips, *Texas Country Reporter*, "Dawna Gillespie." (September 12 & 13 (TX) September 18 & 20 (Nationally)), https://youtu.be/zfXpw_6kjzo
- 2019 Gay N. Lewis. "Dawna Gillespie: Texas Metalsmith and Jewelry Designer Extraordinaire." *Texas Hill Country: Heart of Texas Magazine*, Winter Issue 2019 (Dec/Jan/Feb), p. 10-12
- 2019 T.R. Castillo. *24 Frames*, "Dawna Gillespie." KTTZ: PBS, <https://www.pbs.org/video/dawna-gillespie-house-shows-architecture-farmers-market-x7vjmn/>
- 2018 Sarah Self-Walbrick. "Showing Her Metal." *Lubbock Avalanche Journal*, December 9th, 2018, p. B7 <https://www.lubbockonline.com/story/business/2018/12/09/showing-her-metal-lubbock-area-metalsmith-jeweler-featured-in-national-magazine/6741064007/>
- 2018 Amber Demien. "Designer Collection: Connecting Souls: The Designs of Dawna Gillespie." *Belle Armoire Jewelry*, Winter 2019 Issue (Dec/Jan/Feb), December 2018, p. 24-33
- 2018 Randy Rosetta. "Made In Lubbock." *Lubbock Magazine*, November Issue 2018, p. 16-17 & 22-23
- 2018 108 Contemporary, "VisionMakers2018." October 2018, p. 30-31, online and print catalog
- 2018 "International Metal Jewelry Artistry Awards." *Bead&Button*, October 2018, p. 23

Awards/Recognitions

- 2024 "Resurrection": website & marketing image, *Resilient: Jewelry that Empowers*, Florida CraftArt Gallery, February 2024
- 2020 *Texas Works Award Semi-Finalist: Fashion & Design*, Texas Works Award, September 2020
- 2018 "Resurrection": brochure front cover, *Lubbock's Studio Tour*, Lubbock Arts Alliance, Nov 2018
- 2018 "Textured Soul": website image, *VisionMakers2018*, 108|Contemporary, Sept-Nov 2018
- 2018 *Finalist 2018 International Metal Jewelry Artistry Awards*, Facet Jewelry, April 2018

Work Experience/Teaching/ Professional Service

- 2022 Speaker as Professional Artist, Lubbock Arts Alliance, Lubbock, TX
- 2021 Juror for Spring Student Exhibition, Lubbock Christian University, Art Department, Lubbock, TX
- 2021 Speaker as Professional Artist, The Hockaday School, Art Department, Dallas, TX
- 2020 Speaker as Professional Artist, Lubbock Christian University, Art Department, Lubbock, TX
- 2019 Speaker as Professional Artist, Texas Tech University, School of Art: Graduate Class, Lubbock, TX
- 2019 Speaker as Professional Artist, Career Day, Idalou High School, Idalou, TX
- '14-'16 Director, V.A.S.E., Region 17, Frenship High School, Lubbock, TX