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b: New York, 1956 Lives and works in New York

#### Education

- 2013 MFA in Visual Arts, Lesley University College of Art and Design; Boston, MA  
1981 BFA in Photographic Studies, School of Visual Arts; New York, NY  
Hartford Art School, University of Hartford; Hartford, CT

#### Selected Solo and Two Person Exhibitions

- 2013 Thorndike Hall, Myers Media Art Studio, Columbia University, New York, NY, *Tidal Volumes*  
2012 Gallery 1401, The University of the Arts, Philadelphia, PA, *Reality TV*  
2011 Griffin Museum of Photography, Winchester, MA, *At Home*  
2010 Gallerie BMG, Woodstock, NY, *Skylight Views*  
2009 Lishui International Photographic Cultural Festival, Lishui, China, *Reality TV*  
2007 Silver Eye Center for Photography, Pittsburgh, PA, *New Works Gallery*

#### Selected Group Exhibitions

- 2015 International Photography Festival *GuatePhoto 2015*, Guatemala City, Guatemala  
Norton Gallery at Phoenix Art Museum, Phoenix AZ, *InFocus PhotoBid*, curated by Rebecca Senf  
Filter Space/Filter Photo Festival, Chicago IL, *Abstract*, juried by Debra Klomp Ching, Honorable  
Mention  
Barrett Art Center, Poughkeepsie, NY, *Photography 15 National Photography Exhibition*, juried by  
Katherine Ware, First Prize  
Leslie University College of Art and Design, Cambridge MA, *Alumni Biennial / Reclassified*  
2014 Katonah Museum of Art, Katonah, NY, *Hot Off the Press*  
Griffin Museum of Photography, Winchester, MA *Winter Solstice Show*  
Photo Eye Gallery, Photographer's Showcase, Santa Fe, NM, *20<sup>th</sup> Century Plastics*  
2013 Art Institute of Boston at Lesley University, MFA Exhibition, *Tidal Volumes*  
Caloundra Regional Gallery, Tasmania, Touring Exhibition *Missing Presumed Dead*  
Hammond Museum, North Salem, NY, *Elements*, juried by Jennifer McGregor  
MoMA, New York, NY, *PopRally: Abstract Currents: An Interactive Video Event*  
Friends Without a Boarder, Invitational Benefit Auction, New York, NY  
2012 Central Square Theater, Cambridge MA, *This That Show*  
2011 Contemporary Arts Spaces Tasmania (CAST) *Missing Presumed Dead*  
Chelsea Art Museum, New York, NY, *The Collector's Guide to New Art Photography*  
2010 Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, TX, *Photo Forum*  
Friends Without a Boarder, Invitational Benefit Auction, New York, NY  
Methodist Hospital, Dunn Tower Gallery, Houston, TX, *Life's Intentional Details*  
Meter Gallery, New York, NY, *Still Lives*  
2009 Katonah Museum of Art, Katonah, NY, *Contemporary Confrontations* Juried by Nan  
Rosenthal  
Rayko Gallery, San Francisco, CA, *It's Still Life*  
Photo Eye Gallery, Photographers Showcase, Santa Fe, NM, *At Home*  
2008 Miranda Fine Arts, Port Chester, NY, *Multi-Media Exhibition*  
Photo Eye Gallery, Photographer's Showcase, Santa Fe, NM, *Still Lives*  
Silver Eye Center for Photography, Pittsburgh, PA, *Benefit Auction*  
Meter Gallery, New York, NY, *In My Bedroom*  
Photographic Center Northwest, Seattle, WA, *Photo Vision Awards and Auction*  
2006 Dream Box Foto Gallery, Chicago, IL, *Women Photographers Competition, Best in Show*,  
2005 Lancaster Museum of Art, Lancaster, PA, *Photo National*, juried by Kate Ware  
Fraser Gallery, Bethesda, MD, *Summer Group Show*  
The Center for Fine Art Photography, Fort Collins, CO, *Intimate Flora*

- Fraser Gallery, Bethesda, MD, *2005 Bethesda International Competition*, Third Prize  
 2004 Pen and Brush, New York, NY, *Open Juried Photography Exhibition*  
 First Prize and Honorable Mention, juried by Candace Perish Dwan

### Selected Bibliography

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 2013 Hill, Shawn. "Thesis Show Round-Up #6: Art Institute of Boston MFA Grad Exhibit,"  
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 2012 Hirsh, Robert. *Light and Lens: Photography in the Digital Age, Second Edition*, Waltham,  
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 2011 Feinstein, Jon, and Olu, Amani. *The Collectors Guide to New Art Photography Vol.2*,  
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### Lectures/Talks

- 2015 College of Staten Island, CUNY, Staten Island, NY, Visiting Artist Adjunct Professor  
 University of Vermont, Burlington, VT  
 2013 Art Institute of Boston, Boston MA  
 2011 Griffin Museum, Winchester, MA  
 2010 College of Staten Island, CUNY, Staten Island, NY  
 2007 Silver Eye Center for Photography, Pittsburgh, PA

### Collections

Museum of Fine Art, Houston, TX  
 Griffin Museum of Photography, Winchester, MA  
 Photography Museum of Lishui, China  
 Corporate and Private Collections: New York, Houston, Dallas, Boston, Los Angeles and Chicago

**Professional**

- 1987-Present** President and owner of Rita Maas Studio, Inc. an accomplished commercial studio, specializing in still life, food and beverages for editorial and advertising clients
- 2015** Adjunct Professor, College of Staten Island, CUNY, Staten Island NY
- 2013-2015** Teaching Assistant, International Center of Photography, New York, NY  
Collection 101, Advanced Photoshop