

WOSENE WORKE KOSROF

BORN:

1950 Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

EDUCATION:

1980 MFA, painting and drawing, Howard University, Washington, D.C.

1966 BFA (with distinction), painting, drawing, and design, School of Fine Arts,
Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

ONE PERSON EXHIBITIONS:

2022 Beyond Words, Sullivan Goss Gallery, Santa Barbara, CA

2020 For Love of Words, Sullivan Goss Gallery, Santa Barbara, CA

The Newark Museum, Newark, NJ

Neuberger Museum of Art, Purchase, NY

Keith Haring Museum of Japan, Kobuchizawa, Japan

National Museum of Ethiopia, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Fleming Museum, Burlington, VT

Folkens Museum Etnografiska, Stockholm, Sweden

Paul Mahder Gallery, Healdsburg, VA

Skoto Gallery, New York, NY

Lori Austin Gallery, Sebastopol, CA

Hoshigaoka Gallery, Kochi, Japan

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St. George Gallery, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Loft Galeria, Puerto Vallarta, MX

Edward Cella Art and Architecture, Los Angeles, CA

GROUP EXHIBITIONS:

Smithsonian National Museum of African Art, Washington, DC

The Newark Museum, Newark, NJ

Neuberger Museum of Art, Purchase, NY

Philadelphia Museum of Art, Philadelphia, PA

Sharjah Art Museum, Calligraphy Biennial, Sharjah, UAE

Orlando Museum of Art, Orlando, FL

Crocker Museum of Art, Sacramento, CA

Whitechapel Gallery, London, UK

Zweigmuseum Schloss Oettingen, Oettingen, Germany

Malmo Konsthall, Stockholm, Sweden

Fleming Museum, Burlington, VT

Cantor Museum, Stanford University, Palo Alto, CA

Hood Museum, Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH

Kennedy Museum of Art, Ohio University, Athens, OH

Fowler Museum, UCLA, Los Angeles, CA

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PUBLICATIONS:

African Arts

ArtWeek Magazine

"Beyond Words", *Art & Antiques*, Sept 1, 2023

Donelan, Charles, "Amharic Abstractions at Sullivan Goss", *Independent*, Aug 27, 2020

El Nuevo Dia (San Juan, PR)

Financial Times

Kosrof, Wosene, "The Pleasures and Dangers of Learning to See", *Education Through Art*,
Methner, Kerrie, "Wosene Worke Kosrof Riffs on Life in Beyond Words", *Voice*, Sept 8,
2022

Newark Museum, 2005

The New York Times

Philadelphia Tribune

San Francisco Chronicle

San Jose Mercury News

Washington Post

Winston-Salem Journal

Woodard, Josef, "Pairings for Art's Sake", *Voice*, Jan 7, 2022

WordPlay: The Life of Script in Painting and Sculpture by Wosene Worke Kosrof, catalogue
(accompanying solo exhibition at The National Museum of Ethiopia, 2010-2011)

Wosene: Beyond Words, published by Sullivan Goss Gallery, Santa Barbara, CA, 2022

Yamanashi News

AWARDS:

1980 Ford Foundation Talent Scholar

TEACHING:

2000 - 2001 Artist-in-residence, Virginia Center for the Creative Arts, Sweet Briar, VA

1996 Artist-in-residence, Rockefeller Foundation, Bellagio, Italy

1984 Artist-in-residence, Virginia Center for the Creative Arts, Sweet Briar, VA

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IMPORTANT COLLECTIONS:

Alza Corporation, Mountain View, CA
Bank of Hanover, Hanover, NH
Birmingham Museum of Art, Birmingham, AL
Chikamori Hospital, Kochi, Japan
City of Addis Ababa Museum, Ethiopia
Crocker Museum of Art, Sacramento, CA
Fleming Museum, Burlington, VT
Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL
Fowler Museum at UCLA, Los Angeles, CA
Guilford College Museum, Greensboro, NC
Highland Hospital, Oakland, CA
Howard University, Washington, DC
Indianapolis Museum of Art, Indianapolis, IN
Krannert Art Museum, University of Illinois, Champaign/Urbana, IL
Library of Congress, Washington, DC
National Museum of Ethiopia, Addis Ababa
Neuberger Museum of Art, Purchase, NY
Newark Museum, Newark, NJ
North Carolina Museum of Art, Raleigh-Durham, NC
Peter Gray Museum, Puerto Vallarta, Mexico
Rockefeller Collection, New York, NY
Samuel P. Harn Museum, University of FL, Gainesville
Smithsonian National Museum of African Art, Washington, DC
Tobias Management LLC, New York, NY
United Nations, New York, NY
University of CA Medical Center, Davis, CA
University of Maryland, Eastern Shore, MD
US Embassy, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, Richmond, VA
Völkerkunde Museum, Zürich, Switzerland
Zor Neale Hurston Museum, Orlando, FL