

# SHARIF BEY, PhD.

B. 1974, Pittsburgh, PA  
Lives and works in Syracuse, New York

## EDUCATION

- 2007          Ph.D. in Art Education, The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA
- 2000          Master of Fine Arts in Studio Art. University of North Carolina at Greensboro, Greensboro, NC
- 1998          Bachelor of Fine Arts in Ceramics, Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania, Slippery Rock, PA
- 1994-1995    Exchange Student in the Studio of Jozef Jankovic (Sculpture), Academy of Fine Arts and Design in Bratislava, Slovak Republic
- 1988-1992    Ceramics, Manchester Craftsmen's Guild Apprenticeship Program, Pittsburgh, PA

## SELECTED PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden, Washington D.C.  
New Orleans Museum of Art, New Orleans, LA  
The John Michael Kohler Art Center, Sheboygan, WI  
The Kohler Company, Kohler, WI  
Everson Museum of Art, Syracuse, New York  
Westmoreland Museum of American Art, Greensburg, PA  
Renwick Gallery, Smithsonian Museum of American Art, Washington, DC  
The Carnegie Museum of Art, Pittsburgh, PA  
Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, TX  
Dallas Museum of Art, Dallas, TX  
The Mint Museum, Charlotte, NC  
Columbus Museum of Art, Columbus, OH  
Crocker Art Museum, Sacramento, CA  
Wichita Art Museum, Wichita, KS  
Rhode Island School of Design Art Museum, Providence, RI  
The Belger Foundation, Kansas City, MO  
The Art Museum of West Virginia University, Morgantown, WV  
The Juliet Art Museum, Charleston, WV  
The Hickory Museum of Art, Hickory, NC  
The Petrucci Family Foundation Collection of African American Art, Asbury, NJ

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The United States Embassy, Jakarta, Indonesia  
The United States Embassy, Khartoum, Sudan  
The United States Embassy, Kampala, Uganda  
The Paul Robeson Culture Center, Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA  
The University of North Carolina at Greensboro, Greensboro, NC  
The Manchester Craftsmen's Guild, Pittsburgh, PA  
The J. William Fulbright Commission, Bratislava, SK  
Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY  
Pittsburgh Public Schools, Pittsburgh, PA  
Forsyth County Schools, Winston Salem, NC  
Gaston County Schools, Gastonia, NC

## SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2027      *Sharif Bey*, albertz benda, New York, NY (forthcoming)
- 2026      *Sharif Bey: Homecoming*, The Andy Warhol Museum, Pittsburgh, PA  
(forthcoming)  
*Autoethnography*, Alfred Ceramic Art Museum, Alfred, NY
- 2024      *Sharif Bey: Crowns Encoded*, albertz benda, New York, NY
- 2023      *Sharif Bey: Ancestral Vestiges*, Belger Arts Center, Kansas City, MO
- 2022      *Sharif Bey: Facets*, Everson Museum of Art, Syracuse, NY  
*Colonial Ruptures*, Gardiner Museum, Toronto, Canada
- 2021      *Sharif Bey: Excavations*, Carnegie Museum of Art, Pittsburgh, PA  
*Sharif Bey: Revelations in Power*, albertz benda, New York, NY
- 2019      *Sharif Bey: Intuitions, Fault Lines, and Musings*, Concept Art Gallery,  
Pittsburgh, PA
- 2018      *Renwick Invitational: Disrupting Craft (24 works displayed)* Renwick  
Gallery Smithsonian American Art Museum, Washington,  
DC  
*Sharif Bey: Dialogues in Clay and Glass*, Pittsburgh Glass Center,  
Pittsburgh, PA
- 2017      *Sharif Bey: Lived History and Cultural Memory*, Baltimore Clayworks,  
Baltimore, MD
- 2015      *Sharif Bey: Recent Works*, Allegany Arts Council, Cumberland, MD
- 2014      *Food for Thought*, Touchstone Center for Crafts, Farmington, PA

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*Obsessions*, Coastal Carolina Community College, Jacksonville, NC

## SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2026      *Surfaces*, albertz benda, New York, NY  
*Material Matters: Use, Meaning and the Making of Form in African & Diasporic Art*, Art Museum of West Virginia University, Morgantown, WV  
*Impressions: Black Spirit in America*, Museum of Art and Archaeology, University of Missouri, Columbia, MO  
*Expanding the Collection: Recent Acquisitions*, Palmer Museum of Art, The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA
- 2025      *Constellations: Contemporary Jewelry*, Dallas Museum of Art, Dallas, TX  
*ten: an anniversary*, albertz benda, New York, NY  
*Art in Embassies Program*, U.S. Consulate General Osaka, Osaka, JP  
Art Bridges Collection Loan of *Domestic: Commoner*, Libbey Court, Toledo Museum of Art, Toledo, OH
- 2024      *Clocking In: 2024 Arts/Industry Residents*, John Michael Kohler Arts Center, Sheboygan, WI  
*Test Kitchen: A Museum Project*, Gardiner Museum, Toronto, CA  
*Queens, Gods, and Devotees*, Frances M. Maguire Art Museum, Merion, PA  
*Made in PA*, Palmer Museum of Art, The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA  
*Sand, Ash, Heat: Glass at the New Orleans Museum of Art*, New Orleans Museum of Art, New Orleans, LA
- 2023      *Craft Across Continents*, Mint Museum, Charlotte, NC  
*Sightlines: Peace, Power, and Prestige; The Metal Arts in Africa*, Bard Graduate Center, New York, NY  
*Heroes, Legends, and Legacies*, Wichita Art Museum, Wichita, KS  
*Craft Across Continents/Contemporary Japanese and Western Objects: The Lassiter/Ferraro Collection*, Mint Museum, Charlotte, NC  
*Block Party*, Westmoreland Museum of American Art Museum, Westmoreland, PA  
*Recent Acquisitions*, Mint Museum, Charlotte, NC
- 2022      *New Arrivals*, Belger Art Center, Kansas City, MO  
*This Present Moment: Crafting a Better World*, Renwick Gallery, Smithsonian American Art Museum, Washington, DC  
*Endless Summer*, albertz benda, Los Angeles, CA
- 2021

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*Sharif Bey, Eddy Kamuanga, Pat Phillips, Michael Ray Charles, Kathia St. Hilaire, Zidoun-Bossuyt Gallery, Luxembourg City, Luxembourg*  
*THIS IS AMERICA, Kunstraum Potsdam, Berlin, DE*

2020

*Fragmented Bodies, albertz benda gallery, New York, NY*

2019

*The Pittsburgh Anthology, Carnegie Museum of Art, Pittsburgh, PA*  
*Conjuring Wholeness in the Wake of Rupture, De Buck Gallery/1-54*  
*Contemporary African Art Fair, New York, NY*  
*Afrocosmologies, Wadsworth Atheneum Museum of Art, Hartford, CT*

2018

*Art in the Embassies, Jakarta, Indonesia (Invited Commission and Permanent Installation)*  
*Making a Difference, The Clay Studio, Philadelphia, PA*  
*Visual Voices, Contemporary Crafts, Pittsburgh, PA*

2017

*Making it in Crafts, The Art Museum of LaFayette, LaFayette, IN*  
*Crafting Resistance, Boise State University Museum, Boise, ID*

2016

*Art in the Embassies, Kampala, Uganda*  
*Tribute to the Harlem Renaissance: Works from the Permanent Collection, The Hickory Museum of Art, Hickory, NC*

2014

*Conceal/Reveal: New Work from the Faculty of the College of Visual and Performing Arts, SU Galleries, Syracuse University, NY*  
*ARTS/INDUSTRY: Collaboration and Revelation, John Michael Kohler Arts Center, Sheboygan, WI*  
*Collector's Choice: Inside the Hearts and Minds of Regional Collectors, The Cummer Museum of Art & Gardens, Jacksonville, FL*

## **INVITED LECTURER**

2024

University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, WI

2023

Wichita Art Museum, Wichita, KS  
Belger Art Center, Kansas, MO  
Old Dominion, Norfolk, VA

2022

The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, NY  
Gardiner Museum, Toronto, CA

2021

Carnegie Museum of Art, Pittsburgh, PA

2019

University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

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College Art Association, New York, NY  
The Renwick Gallery, Smithsonian American Art Museum, Washington, DC

- 2018 Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, OH  
Germana Community College, Fredericksburg, VA
- 2017 George Mason University, Fairfax, VA
- 2016 Harvard University, Cambridge, MA  
Massachusetts College of Art and Design, Boston, MA  
National Council on Education for the Ceramic Arts (NCECA) annual conference, Demonstrator, Kansas City, MO
- 2015 The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA  
171 Cedar Arts Center, Corning, NY  
Community College of Philadelphia, Philadelphia, PA
- 2014 Onslow County Schools, Day of the Arts, Jacksonville, NC  
Coastal Carolina Community College, Jacksonville, NC  
Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA
- 2010 Community College of Alleghany County-Boyce Campus,  
Monroeville, PA
- 2009 Hunter College, New York, NY  
Taylor Gallery, SUNY Oswego, NY  
Reynolda House Museum of American Art, Winston Salem, NC
- 2008 The McColl Center for Visual Art, Charlotte, NC  
Slippery Rock University, Slippery Rock, PA  
The James Michener Museum of Art, Doylestown, PA  
Winthrop University, Rock Hill, SC  
North Carolina Agricultural and Technical University, Greensboro, NC  
Tidewater Community College, Virginia Beach, VT
- 2007 California University of Pennsylvania, California, PA  
The Hickory Museum of Art, Hickory, NC

## ARTIST RESIDENCIES

- 2024 *John Michael Kohler Arts Center, Arts and Industry, Summer 2024 Artist in Residence, Sheboygan, WI*
- 2022 *Archie Bray Foundation for Ceramic Arts, Summer 2022 Artist in*

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- Residence, Helena, MT
- 2021 *Archie Bray Foundation for Ceramic Arts*, Summer 2021 Artist in Residence, Helena, MT
- 2017 *Pittsburgh Glass Center, Idea Furnace*, Spring 2017-Spring 2018 Artist in Residence, Pittsburgh, PA  
*The Union Project*, Spring 2017-Spring 2018 Artist in Residence, Pittsburgh, PA
- 2014 *John Michael Kohler Arts Center, Arts and Industry*, Spring 2014 Artist in Residence, Sheboygan, WI
- 2009 *Hunter College*, Summer 2009 Artist in Residence, New York, NY  
*Vermont Studio Center*, Summer 2009 Artist in Residence, Johnson, VT
- 2007 *McColl Center for Visual Arts*, Fall 2007 Artist in Residence, Charlotte, NC
- 2003 *The Academy of Fine Arts and Design*, 2003-2004 Artist in Residence, Bratislava, Slovak Republic
- 2002 *The University of Kentucky*, Fall 2002 Artist in Residence, Lexington, KY

#### **AWARDS/GRANTS/HONORS**

- 2026 Eben Demarest Fund Award, The Pittsburgh Foundation, Pittsburgh, PA
- 2024 John Michael Kohler Art Center-Arts/Industry Residency Program Fellowship, Sheboygan, WI
- 2022 USA Fellowship, United States Artist, Chicago, IL
- 2019 Seinfeld Faculty Award for Outstanding Achievement, Syracuse University, NY  
Faculty Award for Research Excellence, College of Visual and Performing Arts, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY  
Conrad Nelson Fellowship, Millersville University, Millersville, PA
- 2018 Pollock-Krasner Award, Pollock-Krasner Foundation, New York, NY,
- 2017 New York Foundation on the Arts- Fellowship awardee in the Crafts/Sculpture category
- 2014 John Michael Kohler Art Center- Residency Program fellowship, Sheboygan, WI
- 2011 Slovak Academic Information Agency, National Scholarship for Faculty Teaching and Research, Bratislava, Slovak Republic

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2008

Winston Salem Arts Council, Regional Artist Grant Recipient  
North Carolina Arts Council, Arts in Education/Artist in Residence  
Vermont Studio Center, Civil Society Institute Artist Fellowship, Johnson, VT

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