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**EDUCATION**

M.F.A. in studio art, School of the Museum of Fine Arts at Tufts University- Boston, MA  
B.F.A. in painting, New Mexico State University- Las Cruces, NM

**SOLO EXHIBITIONS**

2019-ongoing PEABODY ESSEX MUSEUM- Salem, MA  
*Taking Place*

2017 CAMBRIDGE ARTS ASSOCIATION - Cambridge, MA  
*4 Pleasant St.*, installation

2011 Online via Twitter and News Media  
*Death by Misadventure*, performance

2010 DECORDOVA MUSEUM- Lincoln, MA  
*Folie que la Nouveaute*

2008 JUDI ROTENBERG GALLERY- Boston, MA  
*Hello My Name is PIXNIT*

2007 GALLERY REVISITED- Los Angeles, CA  
*Pollination*

2005 TISCH AND KOPPELMAN GALLERY- Medford, MA  
*The Hymen Family*

2005 PLAZA EMILE GOUDEAU ET LE BATEAU-LAVOIR- Paris, France

**SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS**

2018 GUTSTEIN GALLERY- Savannah, GA  
*Alter Ego*

2013 GUTSTEIN GALLERY- Savannah, GA  
*Small Works*

2013 ALEXANDER GALLERY- Savannah, GA  
*Disambiguation (Line) Project*, video installation

2009 JUDI ROTENBERG GALLERY- Boston, MA  
*All in the Family*

2009 MONTSERRAT GALLERY- Beverly, MA  
*In Pursuit of Beauty*

2006 GALLERY REVISITED- Los Angeles, CA  
*That Show*

2004 GROSSMAN GALLERY- Boston, MA

2003 ADAMS ARTSPACE, Harvard University- Cambridge, MA  
*Better Homes and Guardians*

2002 ALMA DE ARTS GALLERY- Las Cruces, NM

## PROJECTS

- 2023-ongoing HOTEL BARDO- Savannah, GA  
2019-2020 12 W. STATE ST.- Savannah, GA  
2007 SCOPE INTERNATIONAL ART FAIR- Basel, Switzerland.  
Artist Project Invitational, *L'E'tat, C'est Moi*

## COLLECTIONS

- 2019 PEABODY ESSEX MUSEUM, permanent collection- Salem, MA

## VISITING ARTIST TALKS

- 2022 PEABODY ESSEX MUSEUM- Salem, MA  
*Taking Place* panel discussion with curator Lydia Peabody  
2018 GUTSTEIN GALLERY- Savannah, GA  
*PIXNIT Revisited*, gallery talk.  
2009 SAVANNAH COLLEGE OF ART AND DESIGN- Savannah, GA  
*Death by Misadventure* presentation  
2009 INSTITUTE OF CONTEMPORARY ART- Boston, MA  
*Design as a Social Agent*, presentation, panel discussion and gallery talk.  
2008 MONTERRAT COLLEGE OF ART- Beverly, MA, Lecture series  
2008 NEW ENGLAND INSTITUTE OF ART- Boston, MA, *PIXNIT Productions*  
2008 WBUR.ORG: Boston's NPR News Source. *What is Public Art?* Interview with David Boeri.

## PUBLICATIONS

- 2019 Platacis, Vanessa. *Peabody Essex Museum Connected*. "Stencils, spray paint, wall-to-wall." Web. July 10, 2019.  
2015 Platacis, Vanessa. *ARTPULSE Magazine*. "Look Here, Go There: An interview with Taylor Davis." No. 22 Vol. 6, 2015.  
2014 Platacis, Vanessa. *ARTPULSE Magazine*. "Taylor Davis." Review. No. 20 Vol. 5, 2014.  
2007 Platacis, Vanessa. *Big Red and Shiny*. "Theater of the Absurd." Volume 1. No. 57, 2007. Web.

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2020 Vaughn, Alyssa. *Boston Magazine*, "Go Ahead, Take a Museum Selfie." Web. Feb. 21, 2020.  
2019 *Boston Globe*, "In PEM's new wing, artists sift through the past in order to imagine the future." Web. Sep. 19, 2019.  
2019 Hayden, Molly. *Savannah Now*, "Savannah artist and SCAD educator chosen for museum installation at PEM." Aug. 17, 2019.  
2019 Cook, Greg. *Wonderland*, "First Look Inside the Dazzling New Wing at Salem's Peabody Essex Museum." Web. Aug. 26, 2019.  
2019 Vaughn, Alyssa. *Boston Magazine*, "Vanessa Platacis is Spray Painting the Peabody Essex Museum for *Taking Place*." Web. August 7, 2019.

- 2019 Savannah CEO, "Savannah-based Artist Vanessa Platacis Chosen for 2,700 sq. ft. Painting Installation at the Peabody Essex Museum. Web. July 25, 2019.
- 2017 Cook, Greg. *Wonderland*, "Vanessa Platacis (AKA PIXNIT) Paints a Mural in Cambridge." Web. July 28, 2017.
- 2017 Stuart, Tessa. *Rolling Stone Magazine*, "Inside the Historic Women's March on Washington." Feature Image. Web. January 21, 2017.
- 2017 Nikas, Joanna. *New York Times*, "What 11 Protestors Wore to the Women's March on Washington." Web. January 23, 2017.
- 2014 Udemy/Blog. "A History of Graffiti." Web. June 12, 2014.
- 2013 Felisbret, Eric. *Hip Hop Scriptures: Virtual Hip Hop Museum*. "Anonymous Artists." Web.
- 2010 Holland, Christian. "PIXNIT Presumed Dead." *Big, Red and Shiny: Our Daily Red*. Web. April 13, 2010.
- 2009 *Boston Home Magazine*. "Best of Boston Home 2009." Web. Winter 2009
- 2009 Goslow, Brian. *Artscope Art Magazine*, "In Pursuit of Beauty", Print. Web. 2008
- Hill, Shawn. "In Pursuit of Beauty at Montserrat College of Art." *Berkshire Fine Arts Journal*. Web. November 26, 2008.
- 2008 McQuaid, Cate. *The Boston Globe*. "Examining the Fascination with Detail, and Decoration." Living Arts. Print. December 17, 2008.
- 2008 Cook, Greg. "Pixnit." *The New England Journal of Aesthetic Research*. Web. May 30, 2008.
- 2008 Howze, Russell. *Stencil Nation*. Manic D. Press, Inc. Print. June 1, 2008. ISBN-13: 9781933149226
- 2008 McQuaid, Cate. *The Boston Globe*. "The Elements Beyond Our Control." Print. Web. May 21, 2008.
- 2008 Asher, Colin. *The Weekly Dig*. "From the Window to the Wall." Print. Cover. pg. 40. April 29, 2008.
- 2008 *The Phoenix*. "The Best of Boston Graffiti/Street/Performance Artist." Print. Web.
- 2008 Holland, Christian. "Hello My Name is PIXNIT @ JUDI ROTENBERG" *Big, Red and Shiny*. Volume 1 Issue #83. Web. May 2008.
- 2008 The MetroWest Daily News, "PIXNIT WAS HERE". Print. Web.
- 2007 *Scope Basel*- Basel, Switzerland. "Pixnit". Exhibition Catalogue. Print. 2007
- Juxtapoz Magazine*. "PIXNIT". Web. January 9, 2007.
- 2007 *Wait! Magazine*- Palermo, Italy. "Who is Pixnit?" Print.
- 2007 *Debut Publications*. "99 Silhouettes." West Midlands, United Kingdom. Print. 2007.
- 2007 Shaer, Matthew. "Pixnit was Here." *Boston Globe*. Living Arts Cover. January 3, 2007.
- 2003 Beatriz Camacho, Roberta. *The Harvard Crimson*. "Homeland Insecurity Ignites Adams ArtSpace." Print. Web. April 21, 2003.

## AWARDS

- 2017 The PEN/Toni and James C. Goodale *Freedom of Expression Courage Award*
- 2014 SCAD Ambassador's Choice Award, *Excellence in Teaching*
- 2010 New England Art Award, *Performance Artist*
- 2008 The Phoenix: Best of Boston Award, *Artist*

## **RELATED EXPERIENCE**

- 2009-2023 SAVANNAH COLLEGE OF ART AND DESIGN- Savannah, GA  
*Professor of Painting*
- 2005-2010 PIXNIT PRODUCTIONS- Boston, MA  
*Visual Artist and Project Director*
- 2003-2010 SCHOOL OF THE MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS- Boston, MA  
*Teaching Fellow*
- 2005-2007 Participant and team leader in interdisciplinary collaborative workshops with students from MIT, Harvard and SMFA.
- 2000-2002 ALMA DE' ARTE SCHOOL- Las Cruces, NM  
*Artist in Residence*
- 1993-1998 THE ART COMPANY AND GALLERY- Ft. Collins, CO  
*Owner and Project Director*