

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### **SUMMARY**

My paper collage landscapes of invented *origami* sculptures are exhibited nationally. They are part of public and private collections around the world from the Mayor's Office in Omihachiman, Japan to the J.W. Marriott Hotel in Grand Rapids, Michigan. I lived in Japan for seven years and am fluent in Japanese. I teach workshops on Japanese paper arts and Japanese culture to schools, parks, museums, arts centers and nonprofits across the U.S. My work has won national awards and been featured in more than 100 juried solo or group exhibits across the country. I have lived in Nebraska for 13 years.

### **SOLO EXHIBITS**

- “Origami Landscapes: Water, Urban and Rural,” Loft Gallery, East Union, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, NE, Oct. 2018
- “Origami Farms & Fields,” Kimmel Gallery  
Morton-James Public Library, Nebraska City, NE, Aug.-Sept. 2018
- “Origami Summer,” Pilgrim Hall, First-Plymouth Church, Lincoln, NE, July 2018
- “Nonprofit Hub Exhibit by Linda Stephen,” The Foundry, Lincoln, NE, Dec. 2017
- “Outdoors in Origami,” Immanuel Fine Arts Gallery, The Landing, Lincoln, NE Aug.-Oct. 2017
- “Linda Stephen Origami Landscapes,” Loft Gallery, East Union, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, NE, Mar. 2017
- “Everyday Joys,” Pilgrim Hall, First-Plymouth Church, Lincoln, NE, Feb. 2017
- “Celebrations,” Unitarian Church of Lincoln, Lincoln, NE, Oct. 2016
- “Origami Landscapes,” The ESO Gallery, Omaha, NE, July-Aug. 2016
- “Homestead Landscapes in Origami,” Education Center  
Homestead National Monument of America, Beatrice, NE, Nov. 2015
- “Great Plains in Origami, Linda Stephen Solo Exhibition,”  
Nebraska Governor's Residence, Lincoln, NE, June-Aug. 2015
- “Lincoln Outdoors – Paper Landscapes,” [The Art Gallery](#), Bryan East Campus,  
Bryan Medical Center, Lincoln, NE, March 2015
- “Great Lakes to Great Plains: Linda Stephen and Iggy Sumnik,” Fred Simon Gallery Exhibit,  
Nebraska Arts Council, Omaha, NE, Dec. 2014-Feb. 2015
- “Linda Stephen Origami Landscapes,” Norfolk Arts Center, Norfolk, NE, July-Aug. 2014

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- “Seasons Unfolding: Origami Landscapes of Lincoln and the World,” Exhibition Gallery, County-City Building, Lincoln, NE, June-Aug. 2014
- “Beauti-fold: Origami Art of Linda Stephen,” Krempp Gallery, Jasper Arts Center, Jasper, IN, May 2014
- “Shutterfold: Capturing the Moment,” Immanuel Fine Arts Gallery, [The Landing](#), Lincoln, NE, Jan.-Apr. 2014
- “Origami Landscapes: Linda Stephen,” Ann Arbor/Ypsilanti Chamber of Commerce, Ann Arbor, MI, Apr.-July 2013
- “Folding in Color: Origami Landscapes,” [Gifts of Art Gallery](#), University Health System, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, Feb.-Apr. 2013
- “Body & Soul,” Woodways Showroom, Grand Rapids, MI, Sept. 2012
- “Constructions of Cranes: Origami Collage,” Minden Opera House Art Gallery, Minden, NE, March 2012
- “Origami Art of Linda Stephen,” Artworks Gallery, Big Rapids, MI, Feb. 2012
- “Origami Art, Linda Stephen,” The McClelland Art Gallery, Union College, Lincoln, NE, Oct. 2011
- “Folding the Flock,” Minden Opera House Art Gallery, Minden, NE, March 2011
- “Linda Stephen Featured Artist,” Noyes Art Gallery, Lincoln, NE, Nov. 2010
- “Linda Stephen: Origami Collage,” Nebraska Governor's Mansion, Lincoln, NE, Oct. 2010
- “Linda Stephen: Origami Art,” Big Rapids Festival of the Arts, City Hall Lobby, Big Rapids, MI, Feb. 2008
- “Origami – from Peace Cranes to Art,” Pilgrim Hall, First Plymouth Congregational Church, Lincoln, NE, Jan. 2008
- “Linda Stephen Origami Landscapes,” Crescent Moon Coffee Gallery, Lincoln, NE, Oct. 2007

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**ART RESIDENCIES AND HONORS**

**Juror's Choice Award** for "Recess at Freeman School"

18<sup>th</sup> Annual "American Landscapes" National Exhibition, Sept. 2018  
Circle Gallery, Maryland Federation of Art, Annapolis, MD

**Finalist**, Omaha Entertainment & Arts Award, Jan. 2016

2015 Visual Arts 2-Person Exhibit, Omaha, NE

- Nominated for "Great Lakes to Great Plains" at Fred Simon Gallery, Dec. 2014-Jan. 2015

**Nebraska Arts Council 2015/16 Artist**, Summer 2015

Nebraska Governor's Residence Exhibition Program, Lincoln, NE

**Hospital Holiday Card Artist** 2014

"Sledding Day at Pioneers Park"

Bryan Medical Center, Lincoln, NE, Dec. 2014

**Art Juror**

ArtSarben Arts Festival, Omaha, NE, Sept. 2014

**Artist in Residence**

Homestead National Monument

National Parks Service, Beatrice, NE, July-Aug. 2014

**Selected Artist**, CS Art Grant – 2013

Inaugural Community Supported Art Program in Nebraska

Lincoln Arts Council, Lincoln, NE, Mar. – Sept. 2013

**Teaching Artist**

Pyrtle Elementary School, Lincoln, NE, Apr. 2013

**Best of Show** for "Clocktower at Union College in April"

Nebraska State Office Building

Lincoln Artists' Guild Art Show, Lincoln, NE, Nov. 2012

**Second Place** "Clocktower at Union College in April,"

**Fourth Place** "Tire Swing at Martin's Hillside Orchards,"

Nebraska Bookstore Art Show, Lincoln, NE, Aug. 2012

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**Artist in Residence**

CraneFest 2012, Minden Opera House, Minden, NE, Mar. 2012

**Visiting Artist**

Fifth Annual Big Rapids Festival of the Arts  
Big Rapids, MI, Feb. 2012

**Artist in Residence**

CraneFest 2011  
Minden Opera House, Minden, NE, Mar. 2011

**Nebraska Arts Council 2009/10 Artist**

Nebraska Governor's Residence Exhibition Program  
Nebraska Governor's Mansion, Lincoln, NE, Oct. 2010

**Visiting Artist**

Big Rapids Festival of the Arts  
Big Rapids, MI, Feb. 2008

**Featured Artist**

6th Annual Lincoln Arts Festival  
Lincoln, NE, Sept. 2006

**Second Place, Mixed Media**

43rd Annual White Plains Outdoor Arts Festival  
White Plains, NY, June 2005

**First Place, Mixed Media**

Beaux Arts Finale - Westchester County Federation of Women's Clubs  
59th Annual Exhibition  
Pleasantville, NY, May 2005

**First Place – City of White Plains; Finalist for Beaux Arts Finale Mixed Media**

The Westchester Woman's Club of White Plains Annual Art Exhibition  
White Plains, NY, Oct. 2004

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## **PERMANENT PUBLIC COLLECTIONS**

“Summer Soapmaking” National Park Service, Homestead National Monument of America, Beatrice, NE

Origami collage artwork of the historic Palmer-Epard cabin and pioneer family at work in late summer on the Freeman Homestead. Created during Linda Stephen artist residency to honor “House and Home – Yesterday and Today,” the 2014 theme of the Homestead National Monument of America. 12” x 10” x 1.” August 2015

“Hummingbird Origami Paper World” for Branding Video, Eleanor Creative, Lincoln, NE

Designing a 3D “origami paper world” including mountains, waterfall, river, trees, bumblebees and wildflowers as well as origami hummingbird for stop-motion animation 30-second video for branding campaign. May-July 2015. Launch in Fall 2015.

“Celebrating Pyrtle Memories” Series, Pyrtle Elementary School Office, Lincoln, NE

Three collaborative artworks for permanent installation celebrate the special memories of the school year. Paper collage and ink drawing montage to showcase colored pencil drawings from 420 elementary school children, grades Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Gift from Pyrtle PTO. Three pieces each 34” x 42.” Installed Aug. 2013.

“Trombones Flanking” Minden Opera House, Minden, NE

Origami collage and 3D sculptures from folded paper is a close-up view of four trombone players in a trombone line turning the corner in a parade in Minden’s historic courthouse square. The piece celebrates the pride in a community coming together and the talent that is shared. Gift from Minden Opera House Board. 15” x 16.” Installed 2013.

“Our Colorguard” Minden Opera House, Minden, NE

Origami collage and 3D sculptures from folded paper of two Colorguards dancing with flags leading a parade through Minden’s historic courthouse square. Gift from Minden Opera House Board. 15” x 23.” Installed 2013.

“Together at Sky Camp at Camp Catron” Girl Scouts Spirit of Nebraska, Homestead Office Headquarters, Lincoln, NE

Inspired by the Girl Scouts’ 100th Anniversary celebration, this scene of summer camp in Nebraska City honors the Girl Scouts of Nebraska and the leaders and community who support girls in reaching their full potential. Girl Scout staff and private contributors came together to purchase this piece for the Girl Scouts Spirit of Nebraska. 23” x 26.” Installed 2012.

“Skipping After the Rain” Edward Jones of Northern Michigan, Big Rapids, MI

Origami collage and 3D paper sculptures from handmade papers. This piece celebrates the joys in simple moments – the scent of a flower garden after a rain, watching children in rain boots stomping in puddles. 17” x 14.” Installed 2012.

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### **“Our Band” Minden Opera House, Minden, NE**

Origami collage and 3D sculptures from folded paper of a marching band and parade in Minden’s historic courthouse square. The piece celebrates the pride in a community coming together and the talent that is shared. Gift from Martin and Marcie Schmidt to the Minden Opera House. 40” x 48.” Dedicated Mar. 2012.

### **“Hosta Gardens in April” Lansdale Tutoring & Testing, Inc., Lansdale, PA**

Origami collage from handmade papers with 3D paper sculptures of children, flowering trees and sprouting hosta plants. This piece celebrates the beauty happened upon in a small garden on a college campus in spring. 14” x 16.” Installed 2011.

### **“The Cost of Tobacco” TV Commercials, Tobacco Free Nebraska, Lincoln, NE**

Two stop-motion animated origami dollar bill commercials produced with Snitily Carr for public service announcements advocating alternative ways to spend money – other than on tobacco. Commercials are 30 seconds each and feature Linda’s original origami designs and folding. On TV from 2011.

### **“Welcome to Six Worlds One Destination” JW Marriott GR, Grand Rapids, MI**

Origami collage of handmade papers from around the world features a view of the lobby of the JW Marriott Hotel with the Grand River in the background. The scene honors the six sister cities of Grand Rapids (616 area code). 40” x 48.” Installed 2009 over concierge desk in hotel lobby.

### **“Grand Rapids in Origami” Mayor’s Collection, Omihachiman City Hall, Omihachiman, Japan**

Origami collage scene of downtown Grand Rapids, Michigan. Gift from Grand Rapids Sister Cities International to Omihachiman’s new mayor Eishou Fujitani, 20” x 24.” Installed 2008.

### **“Riverwalk, Big Rapids, Michigan” Big Rapids City Hall, Big Rapids, MI**

Paper collage with 3D folded paper sculptures celebrating summer in city park on the Muskegon River – tubing on the river, baseball, playground, tennis, Riverwalk, fishing. Gift from 2008 Big Rapids Festival of the Arts to the City of Big Rapids. 48” x 40.” Dedicated/Installed 2008.

### **Commissioned works (5) for the JW Marriott Hotel Sister Cities Collection in Grand Rapids, MI.**

Each origami collage is 40” x 48.” Unveiled Sept. 2007.

“Piazza IV Novembre, Perugia, Italy” Perugia Board Room

“Griffin’s View of Hill City of Perugia” Perugia Board Room

“Makola Market in Accra, Ghana” Ga District Board Room

“Hachiman-bori Canal, Omihachiman, Japan” Omihachiman Room

“A Griffin’s View of Grand Rapids, Michigan” Founder’s Suite

### **Collection for Utsuwa-no-Yakata (House of Pottery) Japanese Retail Chain, Nyack, NY.**

Installed in May 2004, each 11” x 14” : “Spring Irises,” “Summer Sailing,” “Gold Mountains”

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## **ART INSTRUCTION, WORKSHOPS AND LECTURES**

NET Radio promotion interview for fundraisers, recording Nov. 9, 2018

“Inventing Yourself and Your World with Origami Artist Linda Stephen,” Feb. 2019  
Girl Scouts artVenture workshop on inventing origami for grades 3-12, Lincoln, NE

“How to Get Publicity for Your Art or Your Event,” Jan. 16, 2019  
Lincoln Arts Council, Quarterly Arts Roundtable, The Foundry, Lincoln, NE

“Japanese Paper Arts, *Washi* and *Origami*,” Oct. 6 and 7, 2018 – all ages  
Lauritzen Gardens, Japanese Ambience Festival, Omaha, NE

“Origami Baskets and Butterflies” – two workshops for all ages, Sept. 22, 2018  
Kimmel Gallery, Morton-James Public Library, Apple Jack Festival, Nebraska City, NE

“Welcome to Japan: Writing, *Origami* and Words,” May 18, 2018  
Teaching 475 elementary students, grades K-5, in one day for Olympic Day at Aldrich  
Elementary International Baccalaureate School. Lesson plan included two *origami* models  
(easier for younger grades), 10 Japanese *kanji* characters, and some phrases in Japanese. 19  
classes in one day. Each class was 15 minutes each with 5 minutes of transition time. Omaha, NE

“Easy Origami for All: Tea cups, baskets, dolls,” Teaching all ages, Oct. 1, 2017  
Miss Mie Birthday/90 Years of Japan-Nebraska Friendship, Morrill Hall, UNL, Lincoln, NE

“Origami Workshop with Artist Linda Stephen,” Teaching 70+ university students and  
community members ages 3 to 73, Mar. 14, 2017  
UNL Japan Festival, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Nebraska Union, Lincoln, NE

Modular Origami with Artist Linda Stephen, Feb. 11, 2017  
Girl Scouts artVenture workshop for grades 3-8, Lincoln, NE

“From Japan and Mathematics Studies to *Origami* Landscape Art,” Nov. 12, 2016  
PEO International, Lecture to teachers/community members, Lincoln, NE

Origami Landscapes Closing Reception & Artist Talk, Aug. 21, 2016  
ESO Gallery, Omaha, NE

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Meet the Artist: Prairie Grasses and Flowers in Origami, July 9, 2016

“Flora of the National Parks Exhibit,” U.S. Botanic Gardens, National Mall, Washington, D.C.

World of Hearts with Origami Artist Linda Stephen, Feb. 6, 2016

Girl Scouts artVenture, Collaborative workshop for grades 1-8, Lincoln, NE

Easy Origami workshop and leading singing in Japanese,” Dec. 12, 2015 – all ages

[Happy 88<sup>th</sup> Birthday Miss Mie](#), Morill Hall, Nebraska State Museum, Lincoln, NE

Origami Moravian Stars workshop, Nov. 30, 2015 – ages 5 to senior citizens

Winter Fest, Homestead National Monument of America, Beatrice, NE

Presentation on Artist Residency, “Homestead” Series and Collaborative Art, Nov. 1, 2015

Homestead National Monument of America, Beatrice, NE

DC Superheroes Origami Demonstration, May 28, 2015

Capstone Young Readers, Book Expo America, Javits Center, New York, NY

Introduction to Origami Collage, May 5, 2015

Lincoln Artists’ Guild, Lincoln, NE

artVenture: Origami Baskets, Feb. 2015 – grades 2-10

Girl Scouts Spirit of Nebraska, Fremont, NE

artVenture: Origami Baskets, Jan. 2015 – grades 2-6

Girl Scouts Spirit of Nebraska, Lincoln, NE

Folding the Prairie in Paper, Aug. 3-7, 2014 – families, seniors, children ages 3+

Art in the Park Workshops, Homestead National Monument of America

National Parks Service, Beatrice, NE

Intimate with the Artist workshop: Intro to Origami for All – ages 5+, July 10, 2014

Norfolk Arts Center, Norfolk, NE



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Exhibit Opening Presentation, July 10, 2014

Linda Stephen Origami Exhibition, Norfolk Arts Center, Norfolk, NE

“Seasons Unfolding” exhibit presentation, June 17, 2014

Lancaster County Board of Commissioners Board Meeting and Govt. TV, Lincoln, NE

“Seasons Unfolding Exhibit” art talk for opening reception, June 6, 2014

Lancaster County-Lincoln City Hall, Lincoln, NE

“Beauti-fold Exhibit – Origami and Chigiri-e” art talk for opening reception, May 1, 2014

Jasper Arts Center, Jasper, IN

“The World in Paper” workshop for Jasper High School art students, May 1, 2014

Jasper Arts Center, Jasper, IN

OLLI (Osher Lifelong Learning Institute) for University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Apr. 13, 2014

“Linda Stephen on origami collage and inventions,” Lincoln, NE

The Landing at Williamsburg Retirement Home, Apr. 1, 2014

“Introduction to Origami: Spring Tulips,” workshop for assisted living residents, Lincoln, NE

artVenture – Girl Scouts Spirit of Nebraska, Feb. 2014

Collaborative Art Workshop: Origami for 4th and 5th grade Girl Scouts, Lincoln, NE

Celebrating Pyrtle Memories: Art Unveiling to students and parents Aug. 19 and 20, 2013

Pyrtle Elementary School, Lincoln, NE

Making a Path in Origami, Aldersgate Methodist Men’s Group, Lincoln, NE, May 25, 2013

Artist Keynote Speaker – event for 400 guests, Apr. 28, 2013

Girl Scouts artVenture Reception and Auction, Lied Center, Lincoln, NE

Artist on artVenture, Board Meeting, Girl Scouts Spirit of Nebraska, Apr. 27, 2013

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Celebrate Our School: Pyrtle Elementary, April-May, 2013

18 Collaborative Art Workshops for 420 students over two weeks, Lincoln, NE

artVenture – Girl Scouts Spirit of Nebraska, Mar. 29, 2013

Collaborative Art Workshop: Origami Tulip Garden for K-8, Norfolk, NE

High School Art Exploration Day, Mar. 20, 2013

‘Artist as Entrepreneur’ and ‘Origami Collage’ workshops: 11 Eastern Nebraska High Schools

artVenture – Girl Scouts Spirit of Nebraska, Feb. 2013

Collaborative Art Workshops: Origami collage for 4<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> graders, Lincoln, NE

Celebrating Pyrtle Memories, Pyrtle Elementary School, Apr.-May 2013

Collaborative art project with 420 students, Kindergarten – 5<sup>th</sup> grade, 18 classes, Lincoln, NE

Cub Scout Troop Lecture and Tour: Mixed Media Art and More, Nov. 2012

Nebraska State Office Building, Lincoln, NE

Origami Gift Boxes workshop, Signature Bindery, Lincoln, NE, Nov. 2012

WJAG Travel Club Lecture and Exhibit Tour: Origami Landscapes, Norfolk, NE, Oct. 26, 2012

Faith at Work: Artist Linda Stephen, Vine Congregational Church, Lincoln, NE, Oct. 7, 2012

Lincoln Artists Guild Publicity 101 for Artists – Guest speaker, May 2012

Lux Center for the Arts, Lincoln, NE

Origami and Japanese Kanji, Pyrtle Elementary School, May 2012

Teaching 3 classes of kindergarteners 3 origami patterns and 10 Japanese kanji characters

CBS TV – Lincoln and Grand Island, Apr. 2012

Linda Stephen Studio – Live for 2-hour Morning Show, Girl Scouts artVenture, Lincoln, NE

Japan Festival 2012 “Origami Workshop: Guest Artist,” 100 students and public, Mar. 2012

University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, NE

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Fifth Annual Big Rapids Festival of the Arts, Jan. 2012

Community Art- Visiting artist for city festival workshops and schools, Big Rapids, MI

Origami and Japanese Kanji, Pyrtle Elementary School, May 2011

Teaching 3 classes of kindergarteners 3 origami patterns and 10 Japanese kanji characters

Gifted and Talented, Middle School Summer Session, June 2010

Origami: Cranes to Cubes workshop, Creighton University, Omaha, NE

Origami and Japanese Kanji, Pyrtle Elementary School, May 2010

Teaching 3 classes of kindergarteners 3 origami patterns and 10 Japanese kanji characters

Association of Nebraska Art Clubs' 2009 Annual Conference, June 2009

Origami for Artists workshop, Aurora, NE

Origami and Japanese Kanji, Pyrtle Elementary School, May 2009

Teaching 3 classes of kindergarteners 3 origami patterns and 10 Japanese kanji characters

Origami and Japanese Kanji, Pyrtle Elementary School, May 2008

Teaching 4 classes of kindergarteners 3 origami patterns and 10 Japanese kanji characters

Big Rapids Festival of the Arts, Feb. 2008

-Intro to Origami workshop for public, Big Rapids City Hall, Big Rapids, MI

-Origami for Teachers workshop for university students at Ferris State University

Chopsticks, Origami and Japan – weeklong class, 4<sup>th</sup> grade, July 2006

Bright Lights Enrichment, Lincoln, NE

Art around the World: Origami and Japan – weeklong class, K-5, Mar. 2006

Lux Center for the Arts, Lincoln, NE

1,000 Cranes Event for Children's Hospital of New Jersey – Origami instructor to community event with more than 300 guests, Feb. 2004

Utsuwa-no-Yakata Pottery, Palisades Shopping Center, Nyack, NY

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- Nebraska State Capitol Tree Ornaments, public art call, Nov.-Dec. 2018
- “Water/Ways,” Artworks Gallery with Smithsonian Museum on Mainstreet  
Big Rapids, MI, Sept.-Oct. 2018
- Japanese Ambience Festival, Lauritzen Gardens, Omaha, NE Oct. 6 and 7, 2018
- “American Landscapes, 18<sup>th</sup> National Exhibit” Circle Gallery, Annapolis, MD, Aug.-Sept. 2018
- Girl Scouts artVenture Lincoln, Embassy Suites, Lincoln, NE, Apr. 22, 2018
- “Happiness and Longevity,” Noyes Art Gallery, Lincoln, NE, Feb. 2018
- “Here is My Heart,” Bryan Medical Center Art Gallery, Bryan Health East Campus,  
Lincoln, NE, Feb. 2017
- “Urban Dreaming,” Blue Cat Gallery, Wayne, NE, Sept. – Oct. 2017
- “Nature and Music Art Exhibit,” Focus Gallery, Noyes Art Gallery, Lincoln, NE, July 2017
- “150 for Nebraska’s 150<sup>th</sup> Show,” Bone Creek Museum of Agrarian Art,  
David City, NE, May-July 2017
- Girl Scouts artVenture Lincoln, Embassy Suites, Lincoln, NE, Apr. 23, 2017
- “38<sup>th</sup> Annual Paper in Particular National Exhibition,” Sidney Larson Gallery,  
Columbia College, Columbia, MO, Feb. 20 -Mar. 31, 2017
- “2016 Small Works Collective Show,” Bryan Medical Center Gallery, Lincoln, NE, Dec. 2016
- “Art on Paper,” Maryland Federation of Art’s Circle Gallery, Annapolis, MD, April 2016
- Girl Scouts artVenture Lincoln, Lincoln Station Great Hall, Lincoln, NE, Apr. 26, 2016
- “Flora of the National Parks,” U.S. Botanical Gardens, National Mall,  
Washington, D.C., Feb. – Dec. 2016
- “Omaha Entertainment & Arts Awards Visual Arts Showcase,” KANEKO Library,  
Omaha, NE, Jan. 2016
- “Intimate with the Artists,” Noyes Art Gallery, Lincoln, NE, Sept. 2015
- “Cut, Formed, Folded, Pressed: Paper,” Museum of Nebraska Art, Kearney, NE, 2014- 2015
- “Medici Art Event,” Eisentrager Howard Gallery, University of Nebraska,  
Lincoln, NE, Feb. 2015
- “Elemental Energy in Nature” Show, Focus Gallery, Noyes Art Gallery,  
Lincoln, NE, July 2014
- Elsie Vredenburg Quilts and Quilt-Inspired Art, Artworks of Big Rapids, June 6-July 26, 2014
- CS Art Unveiled: Linda Stephen - 50 variations on “Harvest Coming,” Jazz in June,  
Lincoln Arts Council Community Supported Art 2013, Lincoln, NE, June 2013
- Art Exhibit of Nebraska Artists, Association of Nebraska Art Clubs' Annual Conference,  
Alliance, NE, June 2013
- Lincoln Artists Guild Spring Show, Against the Wall Gallery, Lincoln, NE, April 2013
- 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Noyes Art Gallery, Noyes Art Gallery, Lincoln, NE, April 2013

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- Girl Scouts artVenture Lincoln, Lied Center, Lincoln, NE, April 2013
- Unveiling “Enfolded by Beauty,” 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Festival of the Arts, Big Rapids, MI, Feb. 2013
- 25<sup>th</sup> Annual “Artists Choosing Artists Show,” Burkholder Art Project, Lincoln, NE, Jan. 2013
- Nebraska State Office Building, Lincoln Artists’ Guild Award Show, Lincoln, NE, Nov. 2012
- “Landscapes and Figures,” Focus Gallery, Noyes Art Gallery, Lincoln, NE, Nov. 2012
- Lincoln Artists’ Guild Summer Show, Nebraska Bookstore, Lincoln, NE, Aug. 2012
- Girl Scouts artVenture Grand Island, Stuhr Museum, Grand Island, NE, May 2012
- “On Paper,” Porridge Papers, Lincoln, NE, May 2012
- Spring Show: Lincoln Artists Guild, Against the Wall Gallery, Lincoln, NE, May 2012
- Girl Scouts artVenture Lincoln, Lied Center, Lincoln, NE, April 2012
- “Cranestorm: Wishes in Flight,” Museum of Nebraska Art, Kearney, NE, March 2012
- Art Exhibit of Nebraska Artists, Association of Nebraska Art Clubs’ Annual Conference, Columbus, NE, June 2011
- Art at the Wall, Against the Wall Gallery, Lincoln, NE, May 2011
- “Art in Religions around the World,” Artworks Gallery, Big Rapids, MI, April 2011
- 14th Annual Art & Soup Festival, Visiting Nurse Association, Omaha, NE, Feb. 2011
- CraneFest 2010, Art Walk for Annual Sandhill Cranes Migration, Minden, NE, March 2010
- Art Exhibit of Nebraska Artists, Association of Nebraska Art Clubs' Annual Conference, Aurora, NE, June 2009
- CraneFest 2009, Art Walk for Annual Sandhill Cranes Migration, Minden, NE, March 2009
- 12th Annual Art & Soup Festival, Visiting Nurse Association, Omaha, NE, Feb. 2009
- “Asia Inspired,” Noyes Art Gallery, Focus Exhibit, Lincoln, NE, Dec. 2008
- Mixed Media: Suxan Anderson and Linda Stephen, Nebraska Club, Lincoln, NE, July 2008
- 2008 Annual Conference & Exhibit Association of Nebraska Art Clubs, Aurora, NE, June 2008
- Linda Stephen Featured Artist, Noyes Art Gallery, Lincoln, NE, July 2007
- “Mixed Media: Wood, Paper & Paint,” Noyes Art Gallery, Lincoln, NE, Feb. 2007
- 6th Annual Lincoln Arts Festival, Southpoint Pavilions, Lincoln, NE, Sept. 2006
- 40th Annual Cathedral Art Show, Cathedral of the Risen Christ, Lincoln, NE, Sept. 2006
- Women’s Week Art Show, Rotunda Gallery, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, NE, March 2006
- 43rd Annual White Plains Outdoor Arts Festival, White Plains, NY, June 2005
- Beaux Arts Finale, 59th Annual Exhibition, Westchester County Federation of Women’s Clubs, Pleasantville, NY, May 2005
- Winter Exhibition, GR Gallery, Mamaroneck, NY, Feb. 2005
- New Rochelle Art Association 89th Annual Juried Exhibition, New Rochelle, NY, Oct. 2004

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- Larchmont Fine Arts Festival, Larchmont, NY, Sept. 2004
- Art in the Park, Ridgefield, CT, Aug. 2004
- Port Jervis Fine Art Fair, Port Jervis, NY, July 2004
- White Plains 42nd Annual Outdoor Arts Festival, White Plains, NY, June 2004
- Larchmont Manor Park Art Show, Larchmont, NY, May 2004
- “Women Artists of the Hudson Valley,” Museum of the Hudson Highlands, Cornwall, NY, April 2004
- Westchester Art Center, Group Show, White Plains, NY, Dec. 2003
- Larchmont Fine Arts Festival, Larchmont, NY, Sept. 2003
- Third Annual American Crafts Festival, New Rochelle, NY, Aug. 2003

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## **PRESS FEATURES**

[“Friday Live: Linda Stephen, WSC Music & Art, Yorkshire, Jan Brett, and More!”](#) NET Radio interview with Genevieve Randall on Friday LIVE from The Mill. Includes talk about Linda Stephen’s workshops in Nebraska City, new national award, and upcoming exhibits in Omaha, Lincoln and Michigan. *NET Radio* – Nebraska Public Radio, Sept. 21, 2018.

[“Wondering who won the awards for American Landscapes?”](#) Photo of winner Linda Stephen’s “Recess at Freeman School,” juror’s choice award, and interview with juror Joann Moser, senior curator emerita of Smithsonian American Art Museum, *Maryland Federation of Art Blog*, Annapolis, MD, Sept. 9, 2018.

[“Nonprofit Hub to feature Linda Stephen collection,”](#) *Neighborhood Extra*, Lincoln, NE, Nov. 25, 2017.

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“Art in the Park Draws Artists and Crowds of All Ages,” *Larchmont Gazette*, Larchmont, NY, Sept. 20, 2003, quarter page article and photo.

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