

CURATOR BIOGRAPHY

Susan Sensemann is an artist, educator, curator, and arts administrator who has lived and worked in Chicago since 1979. She is Professor Emerita at the University of Illinois at Chicago. Sensemann has focused on a variety of subjects, including gothicism, feminism, eroticism, the baroque, and psychology. She has built a long career of art in many forms, such as photography, drawing, sculpture, and primarily painting. Her photographs and paintings have been exhibited nationally and internationally, and are held in numerous private, public, and university collections. She is also a community arts advocate, working for many years on a mentorship program for emerging artists. This experience led her to develop an international exchange program with artists throughout the world, including Germany, China, and Finland. The recipient of numerous awards and fellowships throughout her career, Sensemann has earned the Illinois Arts Council Visual Arts Fellowship, the Silver Circle Award from UIC, grants to fund international programs, and various other honors.