



Dr. Kyra Belan

Artist, Author, Mythologist and Art Historian





Dr. Kyra Belán Biography

Artist, author, mythologist, and art historian, Dr. Kyra Belán graduated from Arizona State University with a B.F.A. in fine arts, and from Florida State University with an M.F.A. in visual arts. Her Ed. D. from Florida International University, is in higher education and art history.

Dr. Belán has had over 50 solo art exhibitions and has participated in over 90 group art exhibitions. She has received numerous awards, including *Who's Who in American Art*, the *Florida Achievement Award in the Arts*, *Women's Caucus for Art Florida Chapter*, 2007-8; the *Southeastern Art Conference Outstanding Artistic Achievement Award*, University of Arkansas at Little Rock 2005; *Broward County's Women's Hall of Fame Outstanding Achievement in the Arts*, 1994; and the *Individual Artist Fellowship*, State of Florida, Florida Arts Council. 1982. Her artworks are found in numerous public and private collections.

Author of several articles published in journals, Dr. Belán has co-authored a book, *Dorothy Gillespie*, Radford University Press, 1998. She has written a novel, *Lucid Future*, Aegina Press, 1999, second edition, KDP, 2012; and a book titled *Madonnas: From Medieval to Modern*, Parkstone Press, 2001 (English, German, and French versions). Fifth edition of her book, *Earth, Spirit, and Gender: Visual Language for the New Reality*, was published by Thomson; last edition, titled *Art, Myths, and Rituals*, was published by Bent Tree Press in 2007. Also *The Virgin in Art: From Medieval to Modern*, Barnes & Noble Books, New York, 2006, and *La Virgen en el Arte*, Panamericana, 2007. Belan is included in *100 Contemporary International Artists*, Biblioteca de Artistas de las Comunidades Europeas, 2007, *Art Takes New York*, 2012.

Dr. Kyra Belan was a professor of art and art history and a founding art gallery director at Broward College, Pembroke Pines FL from 1991 to 2010.



Dr. Kyra Belán Artist's Statement:

"In my art I explore the beauty of Mother Earth, the myths of the world, and the legends about sacred women."



"Guadalupe of Florida"

"Goddess Trinity of Americas"





"Canyon Serpent Spirits"



"Grand Canyon Akua Ba"



"Isis of Everglades"



"Rhea Athena"



"Sedonna Mary"

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