

DEC THE WALLS EXHIBITION

FEATURING NYSCA DECENTRALIZATION GRANTEES

SUSAN BUROKER, *CREATIVE INDIVIDUAL GRANT 2019*

DEC PROJECT: "LITTLE FISH"

The artist created large-scale, sculpted puppets and composed an interactive short play based on fish identified by the Department of Environmental Conservation as endangered from nitrogen pollution in my community. The play was performed for the public.

ABOUT THE ARTIST

Susan Buroker is an interdisciplinary artist. Her work focuses on bringing the arts and sciences together to ignite new ideas and generate critical thinking. Buroker's foundation is in the visual arts, and she has enjoyed a career with commissioned art works, illustration assignments, creative direction, and exhibitions. Buroker holds a Master of Fine Arts Interdisciplinary Arts degree from Goddard College. Her art is informed by studies crossing different disciplines and ideas that range from social issues to ecological imbalances. As a teaching artist, Buroker teaches "Creating Action" through art to encourage community and public participation as a means of bringing about collective thinking. Her desire is to affect change through art by engaging in dialogue to empower individuals. Her work has appeared in The New York Times, Leonia Journal, and various other newspapers and journals.