

Lauren Kendrick Sleat was born in York, Pennsylvania. She received her BFA from Kutztown University of Pennsylvania, working for several years in advertising, before leaving to go into teaching art full time and to concentrate on her studio practice. Lauren received her MFA in Painting at the Hoffberger School of painting at the Maryland Institute College of Art in 2006, where she was Abstract Expressionist painter Grace Hartigan's assistant.

LK currently lives in Pittsburgh, PA and works at Sewickley Academy. Lauren is founder and CEO of Sadie & Grace design, an Annapolis based design company, here she works in her studio year round www.sadieandgrace.com. In addition to the previously stated she works as an Advanced Placement Studio Art Exam Leader, Table Leader and Exam Reader for the College Board and Educational testing services. LK has spent summers at the Fine Arts Work Center in Provincetown, MA to enhance and inform her drawing painting and sculpture practice, as well as Kennebunk, Maine. Her work has been widely exhibited in Connecticut, Pennsylvania, Oregon, Washington DC, Maryland, Massachusetts, Utah and Amsterdam.