Sylvia Vander Sluis graduated with an MFA from Western Michigan University and BFA cum laude from Syracuse University. In 2025, her work was featured on GBH's Community Canvas, a public digital mural in Boston. She has been a Core Member of Fountain Street Gallery, an associate member of Boston Sculptors Gallery, and an artist resident at Vermont Studio Center. Vander Sluis has exhibited in numerous venues including New York Artists Equity Gallery, Upstate NY, and galleries in the Greater Boston area. She works from her studio in Rochdale, MA.