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LEAH SWENSON

EDUCATION

BFA: Photography and Video Art, 2013
Rocky Mountain College of Art + Design, Denver, CO
Summa cum laude

Undergraduate Studies: Photography, 2009-2010
Cornish College of the Arts, Seattle, WA

EXHIBITIONS

2021

- *41st Annual Members Show*, Pirate: Contemporary Art, Denver, CO
- *Tragedy of the Commons*, Pirate: Contemporary Art, Denver CO (solo show)
- *rePurpose*, NEXT Gallery, Denver, CO (curator C.L. Seving)

2020

- *Connections*, National University of Colombia, Leticias, Amazonas, Colombia
- *Pink Progression*, Arvada Center for the Arts and Humanities, Arvada, CO
- *Walls*, Center for Visual Art, Denver, CO

2019

- *Fetal Dreams*, Pirate: Contemporary Art, Denver, CO (Solo show)
- *Connections*, Universidad de Los Llanos, Villavicencio, Meta, Colombia
- *Turning Points*, Royal University of Fine Art, Phnom Penh, Cambodia
- *Locus of Self*, NEXT Gallery, Denver, CO (Two-person show)
- *Invictus*, Global Livingston Institute, Entusi, Uganda
- *Art of the State 2019*, Arvada Center, Arvada, CO (Jurors Joy Armstrong, Daisy McGowan, Collin Parson)

- *39th Annual Group Show, Pirate: Contemporary Art, Lakewood, CO*

2018

- *Meander Lines, Pirate: Contemporary Art, Lakewood, CO (Solo show)*
- *SYNChronicity, SYNC Gallery, Denver, CO (Juror Doug Kacena)*
- *Rimae, NEXT Gallery, Lakewood, CO (Solo show)*
- *Pink Palace, NEXT Gallery, Lakewood, CO (Juror Andrew Novick)*

2017

- *Big Bad Bettie Press's Bookshelf at Redline, Pop-up at Redline, Denver, CO*

2016

- *Pantographs, NEXT Gallery, Denver, CO (Solo show)*
- *Sketch-O-Rama, New Bohemian Gallery, Brainerd, MN*

2015

- *Vide Infra, NEXT Gallery, Denver, CO (Solo show)*
- *New Blood, NEXT Gallery, Denver, CO*
- *Mail Modeling, Buffalo Exchange, Boulder, CO*

2014

- *Correspondence, Franklin Arts Center, Brainerd, MN*
- *Persistence, Red Door Art Gallery, Wahpeton, ND*
- *Entity, Hinterland Art Space, Denver, CO (Two-person show)*
- *Utopia/Distopia, The Athena Project, Denver, CO (Curator Janice Schindler)* ●
- *The Macro in the Micro, NEXT Gallery, Denver, CO (Juror Derrick Velasquez)*

2013

- *Habitat, Franklin Arts Center, Brainerd, MN (Curator Martin Nelson)*
- *My City, Federal University of the State of Paraná, Curitiba, Brazil*
- *Bunny to Bridges, Eve-N-Odd Gallery, St. Petersburg, FL*
- *Memory, Richmond Art Gallery, Richmond, British Columbia, Canada*
- *RMCAD BFA Exhibition, Philip J. Steele Gallery, Denver, CO*
- *Signed, Sealed, Delivered, The Scrap Exchange, Durham, NC*
- *RMCAD 50th Annual Student Exhibition, Philip J. Steele Gallery, Denver, CO (Juror Petra Sertic)*
- *STOCK, Hinterland Art Space, Denver, CO*
- *The Big Picture, Artwork Network, Denver, CO (Curator Mark Sink)*
- *Instant Lunch, EPIC Gallery, Denver, CO*

2012

- *Zac Efron is the New Keanu Reeves*, RMCAD Alumni Gallery, Denver, CO
- *Correct Me if I'm Wrong*, Mary Harris Auditorium, Denver, CO

2011

- *The Big Picture*, Illiterate Gallery, Denver, CO (Curator Mark Sink)
- *The Fashion Show*, Cornish College of the Arts, Seattle, WA
- *Roll Call*, Cornish College of the Arts, Seattle, WA
- *New Perspectives*, University House Wallingford, Seattle, WA

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Artnauts Art Collective –

Member Artist

January 2019-January 2020

Pirate: Contemporary Art –

Associate Member

January 2018-Present

NEXT Gallery –

Associate Member and Artist Mentor

September 2017-December 2019

Colorado Photographic Arts Center –

Exhibition Committee Member

November 2014-June 2015

Planning, curating, + developing exhibitions and lecture series programming

Editor in Chief and Social Media Manager

February 2013-November 2013

Editing, finding/producing content for, and organizing photography blog

Grant Writing Internship

February 2013-October 2013

Grant research and writing, administrative assistance