

Letha WILSON

PRESENTATION

Turning flat images into sculptural objects, Letha Wilson's photographs in relief and site-specific installations draw attention to the relationship between architecture and nature. Shots of American landscapes – reddish canyons, the ocean, lush vegetation – are cut and folded like an accordion into wall-hung pieces whose cavities and slashes possess the physicality of Gordon Matta-Clark's or Lucio Fontana's interventions. With layers of concrete or bases of cement, Wilson's works are a manmade contrast to the natural subjects of her prints, while their final textures also refer back to natural terrains.

Letha's artwork has been shown at many venues including the Bronx Museum of the Arts, Socrates Sculpture Park, Exit Art, White Box, Platform Gallery, Fredrieke Taylor Gallery, BravinLee Programs, Partipant Inc., and the Aldrich Museum of Contemporary Art. In 2009 Letha was a resident at the Santa Fe Art Institute, the Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture, and was nominated for the Louis Comfort Tiffany Award.

BIO / BIBLIO

Education

2009

Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture, Maine

1999 - 2003

Hunter College, New York, NY MFA in Combined Media

2001

Exchange semester at the Glasgow School of Art MFA Program, Glasgow, Scotland

1994 - 1998

Syracuse University School of Visual and Performing Arts Syracuse, New York BFA in Painting; graduated with Honors, Summa cum Laude

1997

Exchange semester with Syracuse University's Division of International Programs Abroad in Florence, Italy

Solo and Duo Shows

2018

Horizon Eyes, GRIMM Gallery, NY

2017

Platform 19: Letha Wilson, De Cordova Sculpture Park and Museum, Lincoln, MA Brie Ruias & Letha Wilson, September, Hudson, NY Letha Wilson: Shadows and Sunlight, Center for Contemporary Art and Culture at PNCA, Portland, OR



2016

Kate Steciw & Letha Wilson, *Fold and unfold*, FOTOGRAFIA Â- Festival Internazionale di Roma XV edizione: ROMA, IL MONDO, MACRO, Rome, IT

Solo show, Galerie Christophe Gaillard, Paris

2015

The Distance, Richard T. Walker and Letha Wilson, CAPITAL, San Francisco, CA Look With Your Hands, Grimm Gallery, Amsterdam, NL Sight Specific, Light Work, Syracuse, NY Terra Firma, Brand New Gallery, Milan, Italy

2014

Higher Pictures, New York, NY

Letha Wilson, Galerie Christophe Gaillard, Paris, France

Jason Middlebrook/Letha Wilson, Retrospective Gallery, Hudson, NY

2013

Monuments and Landmarks, Art in General, New York, NY

2012

Higher Pictures, New York, NY

2011

Punch the Sky, Vox Populi, Philadelphia, PA

2009

Lines Through the Wilderness, Rosenberg Gallery, Hofstra University, Hempstead, NY Lost Horizons, Buffalo Art Studio, Buffalo, NY

Group Shows (Selection)

2017

In the Abstract, MASS MoCA, North Adams, MA

Bearable Lightness of Being, Grimm Gallery, Amsterdam, NL

Light & Matter: The Photographic Object, Michener Art Museum, Doylestown, PA.

The Newest Romantics: Sculptors of Bothanical Photograpy, New Art Center, Newtonville, MA

There is nothing I could say that I haven't thought before, curated by Cynthia Daignault, The Flag Art Foundation, New York, NY

2016

Episode 10, Stems Gallery, Bruxelles

Ways and Means: A New Look at Process and Materials in Art, Curated by Jason Andrew, 1285 Avenue of the Americas Art Gallery, New York, NY

Mirror Mirror, Eric Firestone Gallery, East Hampton, NY

Future Perfect: Picturing the Anthropocene, University at Albany Art Museum, Albany, NY

Out of Obscurity, Flowers Gallery, London, England

Woven, Curated by Xaviera Simmons, 60 Wall Gallery at the Deutsche Bank's, Americas headquarters, New York City, NY.

Fine words butter no parsnips however fine parsnips can butter words, Present Company, Brooklyn, NY

Land Escapes, Joshua Liner Gallery, New York, NY

Cuts, Shapes, Scrapes and Breaks, Seventeen Gallery, London, UK

Contingent Matter, Parisian Laundry, Montréal, Canada - David Armstrong Six, Letha Wilson, Luc Paradis, Travis Boyer

2015

Not a photo, Adam Parker Smith, Eric Yahnker, Jon DeCola, Kate Bonner, Letha Wilson, Kate Steciw, Mark Flood, Matthew Stone, Rachel de Joode, Ry David Bradley, Ryder Ripps, Susy Oliveira, Wil Murray, The Hole, NYC *Touch-tone*, Rachel de Joode, Kate Steciw, Letha Wilson at Martos Gallery, NY



Catfish, Anat Ebgi, Los Angeles, CA.

For the Good Times, Curated by Jon Lutz. Interstate Projects, Brooklyn, NY

Weird Science, Marianne Boesky Gallery, NY

Object'hood, Lesley Heller Workspace, New York, NY

I am What I am Not Yet, A Survey of Brooklyn's Moment, Curated by Diana Buckley, Madelyn Jordon Fine Art, Scarsdale. NY

Mine. Yours. Ours. The Contemporary American Landscape, Center For Photography at Woodstock, NY

An Unfixed Image: The Photographic Across Media, The College of New Jersey Art Gallery, Ewing, NJ

Zabriskie Point, Jack Hanley Gallery, New York, NY

How to Drape the Concrete, Galerie Jeanroch Dard, Paris, FR

River Crossings: Contemporary Art Comes Home, Olana State Historic Site, Hudson, NY

State Park, University Art Gallery, UC San Diego, CA

Picture/Thing, Center for the Arts, Wesleyan University, Middletown, CT

2014

Ad Infinitum: Ian Pedigo, Letha Wilson, Clifford Borress. American University Museum at the Katzen Arts Center, Washington

One Step Beyond, Galerie Christophe Gaillard, Paris, France

Road Trip: America Through the Windshield, Brattleboro Museum and Art Center, Brattleboro, VT

Letha Wilson, Pablo Jansana, Evan Nesbit, Eleven Rivington, New York, NY

The mysterious device was moving forward, Longhouse Projects, New York, NY

Fixed Variable, Hauser & Wirth, New York, NY

Sargent's Daughters, SargentÕs Daughters Gallery, New York, NY

2013

The First 15: The Meredith S. Moody Residency at Yaddo, The Tang Museum, Saratoga Springs, NY Haptic Translations, OHWOW, Los Angeles, CA. Organized by Christine Messineo With Cinder Blocks We Flatten Our Photographs at Romer Young Gallery, San Francisco, CA Harlem Postcards, Studio Museum of Harlem, New York, NY Clear Cut, G44 Centre for Contemporary Photography, Toronto, Canada. Catalogue

2012

New New York, Essl Museum, Vienna, Austria

NeoNatural. Steve Turner Contemporary, Los Angeles, CA

After Image: The Photographic Process(ed), Cerritos College Art Gallery, Norwalk, CA

There's Something Happening Here, Brancolini Grimaldi, London, UK

Black Foliage, Nudashank, Baltimore, MD

Grounded at Airplane, Brooklyn, NY. Curated by Rico Gatson.

Earth WORKS: Ten Artists on Land and Industry, P.P.O.W., NYC

Leave it to Beavers, Gallery Diet, Miami, FL

B19. Long Island University Brooklyn, Humanities Gallery, NY

Photography Is, Higher Pictures, NYC

Brooklyn Bound, Nazareth College Arts Center, Rochester, NY

In the Corner of my Eye, Drake Hotel, Toronto, Canada

The Big Stink Moves Like a Moth Toward the Light, Hungryman Gallery, Chicago, IL

Amalgalm at Mary Ryan Gallery, NYC

What I Know, NYCAMS, NYC. Curated by Jason Andrew.

Placemakers, Bemis Center for Contemporary Art, Omaha, NE

Aude Pariset, Kate Steciw & Letha Wilson, Toomer Labdza, NYC

2011

BAM Next Wave Art at Brooklyn Academy of Music, Brooklyn, NY. Curated by Dan Cameron

Composite Materialism: Ethan Greenbaum, Letha Wilson, Tamara Zahaykevitch. SPACE Gallery, Portland, Maine ROY G BIV at Waterhouse and Dodd. Curated by Trong G. Nguyen

Project Space, Stene Projects, Stockholm, Sweden

J.J. Holdings and Friends, a J.J. Holdings Affair, 94 Prince Street, 2nd Floor, NYC

Work Hard at Wildlife, organized by Jon Lutz / Daily Operation. A one night show of limited edition artworks, more info



here

So Different, So Appealing at Gramercy Park Hotel, Penthouse. NYC. Organized by Rachel Churner and Ryan Steadman Imprecise Geometry: Niall McClelland, Jong Oh, Letha Wilson, organized by Wendy Olsoff (P.P.O.W.) at 308at156 project space, 156 5th Avenue, NYC

The Death of Affect at Art Blog Art Blog, 508 W. 26th Street, 11th FI, NYC

Cut/Paste at Big&Small/Casual Gallery, Long Island City

This is The Same as That: Dave Murray and Letha Wilson at LVL3, Chicago, IL

Late Summer Blues at Storefront, Brooklyn, NY. Curated by Sara Reisman and Ian Daniel

Matthew Brandt, Christine Nguyen, Letha Wilson: Every Photo Graph Is In Visible at Churner and Churner, New York, NY Summer Time at Mary Ryan Gallery, NYC

Goodbye Space Shuttle at Curbs and Stoops, Brooklyn, NY

Always The Young Strangers at Higher Pictures, New York, NY

Dawn Till Dusk at Jen Bekman Gallery, New York, NY

Nature Unframed at The Morton Arboretum, Lisle, IL (outside Chicago)

New Monuments at Lesley Heller Workspace, New York, NY

Mountain Standard Time & Place at Modbo, Colorado Springs, CO.

Groundwork at Storefront, Brooklyn, NY

The Working Title at Bronx River Art Center, Bronx, NY. Organized by Progress Report

Paper A-Z at Sue Scott Gallery, New York, NY

Mirrored Thoughts / Spaces Between, Curated by Stephanie Adamowicz, Spattered Columns an ACNY Project, New York, NY

Matinee, Curated by Lauren van Haaften-Schick and Patrick Brennan, St. Cecilia's Convent, Brooklyn, NY Off Camera, Fleisher/Ollman Gallery, Philadelphia, PA

2010

SHOP 2010 at Tide Pool at Sara Meltzer Gallery, New York, NY

Greening Green at ARKO Art Center, Seoul, South Korea

Science Fiction at Storefront, Brooklyn, NY

EYTJ at Robischon Gallery, Denver, Colorado

MacDougal's Cave at Silvis Studio, Brooklyn, NY

Collective Show New York 2010 at PARTICIPANT, Inc., New York, NY

Planes and lines seem to glide past one another at Kunz, Viz, Gonzalez Chicago, IL

Day Glow at Nudashank Gallery, Baltimore, MD

Vertical at Liaison Controverse, Düsseldorf, Germany

Magicality at Platform Gallery, Seattle, WA

I Know What You Did Last Summer at St. Cecilia's Convent, Brooklyn, NY

Born to Die at Secondhome Projects, Berlin, Germany

World's Greatest at Daily Operation project, part of Bushwick Open Studios, Brooklyn, NY

Momenta Art Benefit Raffle and Auction at Momenta and White Columns, Brooklyn and New York, NY

The Hendersons Will All Be There at BravinLee Programs, New York, NY

2009

Chunky Monkey at Red Flagg Gallery, New York, NY Scenariette at Possible Projects, Brooklyn, NY HomeBase IV, New York, NY

2008

Video A: Miguel Soares and Letha Wilson at The Aldrich Contemporary Art Museum, Ridgefield, CT There's No Place Like Utopia at Five Myles, Brooklyn, NY. Curated by Matt Freedman Waste Not, Want Not at Socrates Sculpture Park, Long Island City, NY

2007

between to and from at the Visual Arts Center of New Jersey, Summit, NJ. Curators Veronica Mijelshon and Eleanor Eichenbaum

Points of Departure: Inner and Outer Journeys in Contemporary Art, at Fox Gallery at the University of Pennsylvania Landscape Architects at The Arts Center of the Capital Region, Troy, NY. Curated by Jennifer Moon

2006



Paradise Lost at Frederieke Taylor Gallery, New York, NY. Curated by Dan Tague The Studio Visit at Exit Art, New York, NY

2005

Exit Biennial II: Traffic at Exit Art, New York, NY
No Apology for Breathing at Jack the Pelican, Brooklyn, NY. Organized by Matthew Lusk.
Red, White and Blue at Spencer Brownstone Gallery, New York, NY

2004

AIM 24 at The Bronx Museum of the Arts, Bronx, New York

Honors and Awards

2015 - 2014

Walentas Family Foundation / Marie Walsh Sharpe Studio Program Grant

2014

The Jerome Foundation Visual Arts Travel and Study Grant

2013

New York Foundation for the Arts Fellowship (Deutsche Bank Fellow) in Photography (Also nominated in Architecture / Environmental Structures)

Headlands Center for the Arts Residency, California

2012

The Santo Foundation, Individual Artist Grant Farpath Foundation Grant and Residency, Dijon, France Meredith S. Moody Residency Fellowship, Artist Residency, The Corporation of Yaddo, Saratoga Springs, NY

2011

Bemis Center for Contemporary Arts March - May 2011 Artist-in-Residence

2010

Smack Mellon Hot Picks 2010, Smack Mellon, Brooklyn, NY BRIC Rotunda Gallery Artist of the Month February 2010

2009

Nomination, Louis Comfort Tiffany Biennial Award Skowhegan School of Painting & Sculpture Fellowship Santa Fe Art Institute Fellowship

2004

Artist in the Marketplace Program, Bronx Museum of the Arts Nomination, Rema Hort Mann Art Grant

2000

Hunter College Exchange Scholarship

1999

Orlin Prize, Honors Thesis Project Artspace: Art Beyond Academia

1998

Augusta Hazard Painting Award, Syracuse University Painting Dept.

Press & Publications

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 Steinhauer, Jillian. "Space Heater' at Harbor Gallery" Hyperallergic.com, March 3, 2014
 Bohnacker, Siobhan. "What is a Photograph?" Photo Booth, The New Yorker.com, January 2014
- Johnson, Ken. "Digital, Analog and Waterlogged", The New York Times, January 30, 2014. Page C27
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- Hotchkiss, Sarah. "Unflattened Photographs at Romer Young", KQED, July 8, 2013
- "Landmarks and Monuments at Art in General", DLK Collection, June 14, 2013
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