

Lenka Clayton

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EDUCATION

- 2004 – 2006 Master of Arts, Documentary Direction, National Film & Television School, Beaconsfield, U.K.
1996 – 1999 Bachelor of Fine Arts, Central St. Martins School of Art, London, U.K.
1995 – 1996 Foundation in Art and Design, Falmouth College of Art and Design, Cornwall, U.K.

SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

SF

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NY

313 W 14th Street 2F
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By appointment only

WEB

www.cclarkgallery.com

- 2019 *Won, Too, Free, For*, Catharine Clark Gallery, San Francisco, CA
Lenka Clayton: Under These Conditions, Utah Museum of Contemporary Art, Salt Lake City, UT
2018 *Lenka Clayton: The Distance I Can Be From My Son*, The Blanton Museum of Art, Austin, TX
2017 *Circle through New York... (with Jon Rubin)*, Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York, NY
Object Temporarily Removed, Fabric Workshop & Museum, Philadelphia
2016 *Josephine Taylor & Lenka Clayton*, Catharine Clark Gallery, San Francisco, CA
The World's Oldest Person, The Last Billboard, Pittsburgh, PA
Two Itinerant Quilters (with Joe Wright), True False, Colombia, MI
2015 *Typewriter Drawings*, Testsite, Austin, TX
*Hand-Typed Polka Dot Shirt, *Queenspecific*, Toronto, Canada
Old Things, New Orders, The Tetley, Leeds, UK
Two Itinerant Quilters (with Joe Wright), Open Engagement Conference, Pittsburgh, PA
Post Works, Private Residence, Brooklyn, NY (with Michael Crowe)
2013 *Artist Residency in Motherhood*, Pittsburgh Center for the Arts, PA
Mysterious Letters, Tilburg, Netherlands (collaboration with Michael Crowe)
2012 *Slow Magic Tricks*, FRAC, Paris, France
Post Works, Private Residence, Brooklyn, NY (with Michael Crowe)
2011 *Mysterious Letters*, Cologne, Simultanhalle, Cologne, Germany (with Michael Crowe)
Mysterious Letters, St. Gallen, Kunsthalle St. Gallen, Switzerland (with Michael Crowe)
2010 *The Number of People...*, Waffleshop Billboard, Pittsburgh, PA
10,000 Pennies, Public Performance, Pittsburgh, PA
Five Women, Five Men, One Child, Pittsburgh Center for the Arts, Pittsburgh, PA
2009 *Mysterious Letters*, Pittsburgh, PA
2009 *Mysterious Letters*, N. Ireland, Cushendall, N. Ireland (with Michael Crowe)
2008 *7,000 Stones*, Cohen Art Center, Alfred, NY
2007 *Local Newspaper*, Galerie für Landschaftskunst, Hamburg, Germany

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2019 *Apollo's Muse: The Moon in the Age of Photography*, Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, NY
2018 *Carnegie International*, 57th Edition, Carnegie Museum of Art, Pittsburgh, PA
A Measure of Humanity, Columbus Museum of Art, Columbus, OH

- 2017 *Juncture*, Catharine Clarke Gallery, San Francisco, CA
Talking Pictures: Camera-Phone Conversations Between Artists, Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, NY
Doubt, Space Gallery, Pittsburgh, PA
State of the Art, Frist Center for the Visual Arts in Nashville, Tennessee
- 2016 *Each Fighting its Own Little Battle in Happy Ignorance*, Pumphouse Gallery, London, U.K.
The Cut and the Crumb, Frame Gallery, Pittsburgh, PA
Straight to Video, DAAP Galleries, Cincinnati, OH
Tool Tales, Timespan, Sutherland, U.K.
Gender Generation, Royal College of Art, London, U.K.
Quotenfrauen, Künstlerhaus Palais Thurn und Taxis, Bregenz, Austria
John Riegert, Space Gallery, Pittsburgh, PA
Associated Artists, Pittsburgh, Carnegie Museum of Art, Pittsburgh PA
Three Rivers Arts Festival, Pittsburgh, PA
State of the Art (traveling version) Minneapolis Institute of Art, MN
State of the Art (traveling version) Telfair Museums, Savannah, GA
State of the Art (traveling version) Dixon Gallery, Memphis, TN
Good Neighbor, Hedreen Gallery, Seattle University, WA
New Maternalisms, Redux FAB Gallery, Alberta, Edmonton, Canada
- 2015 *Mother of the Year*, LENTOS Kunstmuseum, Linz, Austria
Felt Book, Spaces Gallery, Cleveland, OH
Business as Usual, Set the Controls for the Heart of the Sun, Leeds, U.K.
- 2014 *State of the Art*, Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art, Bentonville, AR
Seymour, CEAAC, Strasbourg, France
It Narratives: The Movement of Objects as Information, Franklin Street Works Stamford, CT
Pittsburgh Biennial, Pittsburgh Center for the Arts, PA
Summer Show, Christopher Henry Gallery, New York, NY
Out of Rubble, Gettysburg College, Gettysburg, PA
New Maternalisms II, Santiago Museum of Contemporary Art, Chile
Complicated Labors, UC Santa Cruz, CA
- 2013 *One Minute Films*, The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
CSA PGH, Warhol Museum / Pittsburgh Distributed CSA, PA
The Drawing Project, Frost Art Museum, Miami, FL (online)
Realization is Better than Anticipation, MOCA Cleveland, OH
Humour, Espace Surplus, Berlin, Germany
Enact, Cleveland Performance Art Festival, OH
One Minute Films, MASS MoCA, MA
Out of Rubble, Harris Art Gallery, La Verne CA & String Room Gallery, Wells College, Aurora NY
- 2012 *Romancing the Tone*, Pittsburgh Center for the Arts, PA
New Maternalisms, FADO, Toronto, Canada
Cutting Losses, Allcott Gallery, University of North Carolina, NC
Deviants, Israeli Center for Digital Art, Holon, Israel
Mount Fuji does not Exist, FRAC, Paris France
- 2011 *Out of Rubble*, SPACE Gallery, Pittsburgh
Out of Rubble, Bowling Green State University Galleries, OH
Out of Rubble, Miller Gallery, Kutztown University, PA
The Feeling of Things, FRAC, Paris, France

- Pittsburgh Biennial*, Carnegie Museum of Art, Pittsburgh PA
Between the Lines, M29, Cologne, Germany
Flaherty Seminar, Anthology Film Archives, New York, U.S.A.
2010 *Kill your Timid Notion*, Dundee Contemporary Art Museum, Scotland
Art TV, CNEAI Paris, France
Bakers Dozen, Museerne Vordingborg, Denmark
Jenny Holzer Video Program, The Lightbox, Woking, U.K.
2009 *3rd Fotofestival Mannheim*, Town Square Mannheim, Germany - curated by VWork
Reconstructed ZONE, Kunstverein Wolfsburg, Germany
Timeless, Schuhfabrik Ahlen, Germany
FLEX Experimental Film festival, FL
Iranian International Documentary Festival, Tehran, Iran
Aging in Art & Society, NGBK, Berlin, Germany
2007 *History Will Repeat Itself*, Kunst Werk / Kino Arsenal, Berlin, Germany
Walk!, Künstlerhaus Bethanien, Berlin, Germany
Britdoc Documentary Festival, Oxford, U.K.
2006 *Articulated*, Oxo Tower, London, U.K.
Re-Vision, Edith-Russ Haus, Oldenberg, Germany
Observatory II, Laura Bartlett Gallery, London, U.K.
Snafu, Hamburger Kunsthalle, Germany
Jagd Salon, Künstlerhaus Bethanien, Berlin, Germany

AWARDS & RESIDENCIES

- 2017 Headlands Center for the Arts, Artist-in-Residence, Sausalito, CA
Rothschild Foundation Social Practice Initiative New Work Commission, Guggenheim Museum, NY
The Space – BBC/Arts Council U.K. Project Funding, U.K.
2016 Fabric Workshop and Museum (FWM), Artist-in-Residence, Philadelphia, PA
Warhol Foundation, Funding for FWM residency
National Endowments for the Arts, Funding for FWM residency
Frank C. Abraham Award, Associated Artists Pittsburgh
2015 Artist Opportunity Grant, Greater Pittsburgh Arts Council, PA
Frank-Ratchye Fund for Arts @ the Frontier Microgrant, Studio for Creative Enquiry, CMU, PA
Pittsburgh Center for Creative Reuse Sponsorship, PA
2014 Carol R. Brown Award for Creative Achievement, Heinz Endowments/Pittsburgh Foundation, PA
Creative Capital Award Finalist, NY
Eben Demarest Trust Award Nomination, PA
AIGA Pittsburgh Judge's Choice Award for Artist's Book "One Brown Shoe"
2013 Emerging Artist of the Year, Pittsburgh Center for the Arts, PA
Sustainable Art Foundation Award, San Francisco, CA
Artist of the Year 2015 Nomination, Pittsburgh Center for the Arts, PA
Artist in Residence, An Artist Residency in Motherhood, Pittsburgh PA
Artist Opportunity Grant, Greater Pittsburgh Arts Council, PA
2012 Pittsburgh Foundation Creative Development Grant, Heinz Endowments/Pittsburgh Foundation, PA
Creative Capital Flight School Fellowship, Pittsburgh, PA
Artist-in-Residence, Les Récollets Paris, France
2011 Artist-in-Residence, Simultanhalle, Cologne, Germany

- 2010 Artist Opportunity Award, Greater Pittsburgh Arts Council, PA
 Artist-in-Residence, Pittsburgh Filmmakers, Pittsburgh, PA
 Kickstarter Award for "Mysterious Letters", NY
 Sprout Seed Award, Pittsburgh, PA
- 2009 Artist in Residence, "In you we Trust" Curfew Tower, N. Ireland
- 2008 Theodore Randall International Chair, Alfred University, NY
 British Council Grants for Artists Award, London, UK
- 2007 Artist-in-Residence, Galerie für Landschaftskunst, Hamburg, Germany
 First Prize Audience Award (People in Order) - Britspotting Festival, Berlin
 First Prize (People in Order), Medienfest, Villinen Schwenningen, Germany
 Channel 4 TV Commission, full funding to realize a series of four short films
- 2006 British Airways sponsorship for a research trip to North Korea
- 2004 Artist-in-Residence, Mildred's Lane, PA
 British Airways Scholarship, National Film and Television School, UK

WORK IN PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

Blanton Museum of Art, Austin, TX
 Carnegie Museum of Art, Pittsburgh, PA
 Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art, Bentonville, AK
 The Fabric Workshop & Museum, Philadelphia, PA
 The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, NY
 The Sackner Archive of Concrete and Visual Poetry, Miami, FL

SELECTED BIBLIOGRAPHY

- Feeney., Mark. "What Happens When Artists Have Camera Phone Conversations?" *The Boston Globe*, August 4, 2017.
- Smith, Roberta. "An Exhibition Worth Thousands of Words." *The New York Times*, July 6, 2017.
- Cascone, Sarah. "The iPhone Celebrates Its 10th Birthday with Metropolitan Museum of Art Show." *ArtNet News*, June 29, 2017.
- Goldstein, Caroline. "Why Is a Parrot Living in the Guggenheim Museum?" *ArtNet News*, June 22, 2017.
- Schreiber, Barbara. "What's America's 'State of the Art'? This show wants to tell you." *The Charlotte Observer*, May 19, 2017.
- Napoli, Ilana. "Lenka Clayton brings wit, humor, and a sharp critical voice to the Fabric Workshop and Museum." *ArtBlog*, May 8, 2017.
- Rolen, Emily. "A meditation on motherhood and artistry." *Metro*, April 5, 2017.
- Crimmins, Peter. "Fabric museum exhibit asks the big question: Who determines when something is art?" *News Works*, March 23, 2017.
- Cain, Abigail. "This Art Project is Putting Work from the Guggenheim in a Bronx Pet Shop and a Harlem Church." *Artsy*, March 14, 2017
- "Former Turner Chair Fellow exhibiting work at Guggenheim." *Alfred University*, March 9, 2017.
- Louden, Sharon. "The Artist as Cultural Producer." *Intellect Books*, 2017.
- "The Art Assignment: Lenka Clayton." PBS Digital, Season 2, Episode 15. August 2015.
- "Making a Living, #57." *Creative Nonfiction Magazine*, Fall 2015.
- Rupersburg, Nicole. "Lenka Clayton, An Artist in Residence in Motherhood." *Field Notes from Creative Exchange*, Springboard for the Arts, February 17, 2015.

Zabala, Santiago. "Only Art Can Save Us: The Emergency of Aesthetics." Columbia University Press, 2015.
Tullett, Barrie. *Typewriter Art: A Modern Anthology*, 2014.

SELECTED ARTICLES & PUBLICATIONS

Documentary Film - Ongoing Box by David Bernabo – Features my studio and work, 2014
Artist's Book – 63 Objects Taken From My Son's Mouth. Designed by Brett Yasko.
Imagine Architecture, pub. 2014 Gestalten. Features Repairing Lebanon
Typewriter Art: A Modern Anthology – Barrie Tullett pub. 2014 Laurence King. Features all Typewriter Drawings.
To The Letter – Simon Garfield – 2013, pub. Penguin. Non-fiction book examining the lost art of letter writing. 10,000 special copies contain an envelope & typed letter all about Mysterious Letters.
It's Nice That Annual 2013 - Includes "Typewriter Drawings".
Artist's Book - One Brown Shoe - Box of 100 double-faced cards & essay. Designed by Brett Yasko.
Museum and Curatorial Studies Review - Petra Hoch, Sept 2013- Mention & image of "Maternity Leave."
New York Times - 'Buy Local' Gets Creative – Randy Kennedy, 08/04/13 - Mention of "1/57th of Andy Warhol"
E Bradstreet, Dec 2013, www.abradstreet.com In Conversation: Lenka Clayton with Megan Pugh
Cultural Reproducers, www.culturalreproducers.com, Nov 2013, Interview with Lenka Clayton by Christa Donner
Catalogue - Realization is Better than Anticipation* 2013 pub. online by MOCA Cleveland
Including essays on my work by curators Megan Reich & Dan Byers
Frieze Magazine, 2012, The Year in Review, Yoann Gourmel & Elodie Royer
Includes images & discussion of Mysterious Letters at FRAC, Paris
Messy Sky*, 2011, Catalogue to "The Feeling of Things" by Chitti Kasemkitvatana & Pratchaya Phinthong.
pub. Paris.
Mysterious Letters*, 2011 Catalogue to Mysterious Letters (4), pub. Simultanhalle, Cologne, Germany
Art and Agenda*, 2011, Die Gestalten Verlag, Berlin
Out of the Rubble,* 2011, ed. Susanne Slavic, pub. Milan/New York Edizione Charta, 2011
Multitudes Magazine, 07/10 "Numéro Special Télévision "Amish Memories of Television" Lenka Clayton
BBC Northern Ireland Arts Extra 19/02/10 Mysterious Letters Radio Interview
Irish Times 18/02/10 Mysterious Art of Mailing the World Belinda McKeon
CBC Radio Canada/NPR The Current 12/21/09 Mysterious Letters interview presenter Anna Maria Tremonti
Pittsburgh Post Gazette 12/02/09 Mysterious Letters project, a puzzle to many on Polish Hill, Diana Nelson Jones
Pittsburgh Tribune-Review 12/02/09 Polish Hill in Tizzy over Bizarre Mailings, Eric Heyl
Associated Press 12/02/09 Pittsburgh Mystery Letters Revealed as Art Project, Dan Nephin
Financial Times Deutschland 17/11/09 Massen-Mailing, Marike Frick
New Yorker Blog 12/02/09 Pen Pals, Elizabeth Clarke Wessel
BBC Northern Ireland Newsline 14/03/09 3 minute report on Mysterious Letters Project
Modern Painters 08/06, Matthew Herbert on Lenka Clayton, Matthew Herbert
Higher Education Chronicle 02/2009 A Time and a place to gather stones together L. Biemiler
Res Magazine Vol. 8 No.1 Open Source: Cinema in the Public Domain Steve Anderson
The Village Voice 25/01/2005 Qaeda, quality, question, quickly, quickly, quiet Laura Sinagra

12" Vinyl Record *Qaeda, quality, question, quickly, quickly, quiet* 2004, published by Accidental Records, London, U.K.

SELECTED PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

Blanton Museum of Art at the University of Texas, Austin
Carnegie Museum of Art, Pittsburgh, PA
Fabric Workshop and Museum, Philadelphia, PA
Fidelity Investments Corporate Art Collection, Boston, MA
McEvoy Foundation for the Arts, San Francisco, CA
Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, NY