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MCAD Announces

Continuum: McKnight Visual Artists Fellows, 2014–2018

Minneapolis, MN—April 23, 2019—The Minneapolis College of Art and Design (MCAD) is proud to present *Continuum: McKnight Visual Artists Fellows, 2014–2018*. This group exhibition features thirty-one of the forty artists who have been awarded these prestigious McKnight Fellowships for Visual Artists between 2014 and 2018. The fellowship changed its programming structure in 2014 to focus on expanding the fellows’ network by inviting six national curators and art critics to the Twin Cities for individual studio visits. Out of these conversations, the McKnight Visual Artist Discussion Series was established, featuring two fellows paired with a curator in dialogue about their



work and broader contemporary art ideas and concerns. This public presentation replaced the culminating group exhibition that was last hosted in MCAD’s main gallery in 2013. *Continuum: McKnight Visual Artists Fellows, 2014–2018* provides five years of fellows a platform to share their work with viewers and celebrates the ambition and diversity of their artistic practices.

The exhibition opens in the MCAD Main and Concourse Galleries with an artist reception on Friday, June 14.

EVENT DETAILS

- When:** June 14–July 14, 2019
- Reception:** Friday, June 14, 6:00–9:00 p.m.
- Where:** MCAD Main and Concourse Gallery, 2501 Stevens Ave, Minneapolis, MN 55404
- Who:** Free and open to the public

PARTICIPATING ARTISTS

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| Hend Al-Mansour , 2018 Fellow | Luis Fitch , 2015 Fellow | Alison Malone , 2014 Fellow |
| Harriet Bart , 2017 Fellow | Tia-Simone Gardner , 2016 Fellow | Mohamud Mumin , 2018 Fellow |
| Erik Benson , 2016 Fellow | David Goldes , 2017 Fellow | Kelly O’Brien , 2015 Fellow |
| David Bowen , 2014 Fellow | Terry Gydesen , 2017 Fellow | Lamar Peterson , 2014 Fellow |
| Leah Edelman-Brier , 2016 Fellow | Monica Haller , 2016 Fellow | Tamsie Ringler , 2018 Fellow |
| Julie Buffalohead , 2016 Fellow | Pao Houa Her , 2016 Fellow | Piotr Szyhalski , 2017 Fellow |
| Sean Connaughty , 2018 Fellow | Mike Hoyt , 2014 Fellow | Joe Smith , 2014 Fellow |
| Jim Denomie , 2018 Fellow | Tracy Krumm , 2015 Fellow | Jovan Speller , 2018 Fellow |
| Andy DuCett , 2017 Fellow | Chris Larson , 2018 Fellow | Bruce Tapola , 2017 Fellow |
| Gregory Euclid , 2015 Fellow | Alexandros Lindsay , 2015 Fellow | |
| Kristina Estell , 2015 Fellow | Jeremy Lundquist , 2017 Fellow | |

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ABOUT THE McKNIGHT ARTIST FELLOWSHIPS

The McKnight Artist Fellowship Program is one of the oldest and largest of its kind in the country. Established in 1981, the fellowship program provides annual, unrestricted cash awards to outstanding mid-career Minnesota artists in eleven areas, totaling nearly \$1 million each year. For nearly four decades, MCAD has administered this fellowship program and provided support to nearly 200 artists. Non-profit arts organizations like MCAD oversee the administration of the fellowships and structure their own programs to respond to the unique opportunities and challenges of different creative disciplines.

ABOUT THE McKNIGHT FOUNDATION

The McKnight Foundation seeks to improve the quality of life for present and future generations through grant-making, coalition-building and the encouragement of strategic policy reform. Founded in 1953 and independently endowed by William and Maude McKnight, the Minnesota-based foundation had assets of approximately \$2.3 billion and granted about \$90 million in 2017.

ABOUT THE MINNEAPOLIS COLLEGE OF ART AND DESIGN

Recognized nationally and internationally for its innovative and interdisciplinary approaches to visual arts education, the Minneapolis College of Art and Design is home to more than 750 students and offers professional certificates, bachelor of fine arts and bachelor of science degrees, and graduate degrees.

McKNIGHT EXHIBITION ARTWORK

For high resolution images contact Ann Benrud at abenrud@mcad.edu.



Harriet Bart (2017 fellow)
Strong Silent Type II, 2016
Mirror-finished chrome steel, magnets



Terry Gydesen (2017 fellow)
My father's journey home, 2016
Archival inkjet print



Luis Fitch (2015 fellow)
Out is in, 2018
Mixed media

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Leah Edelman-Brier (2016 fellow)
The Knife That Raped Me, 2017
Archival inkjet print



Kristina Estell (2015 fellow)
How to recognize a ten foot ladder, 2018
Silicone, rubber, concrete, and hardware



Erik Benson (2016 fellow)
Failure Poet, 2018
Acrylic on canvas



Jeremy Lundquist (2017 fellow)
Promises Made, 2018
Lithograph prints



Michael Hoyt (2014 fellow)
History Painting, 2015-2019
Oil on panel, wood, metal

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