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Education:

MFA in Photography, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN, 2010 BFA in Photography, California College of Arts and Crafts, Oakland, CA, 1993

Projects

Lake Signs, Lake St, Minneapolis, MN

Summer 2018

An exploration, illumination and celebration of the hand-painted signs found on Lake Street. I will document the sign painters of Lake Street to create a directory of them and their signs. This will culminate in a sign making workshop for neighbors to create signs that nod to the style of the many local, hand-painted signs.

Code Flags for St Petersburg, St Petersburg, Russia

September 2016

Inspired by nautical code flags that are used by navies and ships around the world, Code Flags for St. Petersburg used a six flag and code system to facilitate dialog among attendees of Art Prospect Festival. Participants hoisted code flags on the flagpole and used them to communicate with people at the other flagpole.

Flag Services, Minneapolis, MN

Summer 2015-Spring 2016

A project sewing flag "portraits" for neighbors in South Minneapolis who have vacant flag poles. Meant to utilize the unrealized gallery space of a flag pole and have an excuse to meet neighbors I would otherwise not have a chance to encounter.

Temporary Table Tennis Trailer (TTTT, Minneapolis, MN

Summer 2014-present

TTTT)/ Popup Ping Pong Park (PPPP) is a trailer mounted regulation size steel ping pong table that appears in parking lots, vacant spaces and yards to engage people in conversation and the sport of Table Tennis. readygoart.com

Babies Sleep Tonight, Minneapolis, MN

June 2014

Babies Sleep Tonight projected the invisible, sleeping babies of the city into the midst of the energy and excitement of an all night festival. Intended as a reminder, a meditation and an acknowledgement of the babies who sleep while we are awake, and the parents who care for them. A collaboration with Alex DeArmond and commissioned by Northern Spark- an all night arts festival in Minneapolis, MN.

Mobile Sign Shop, Minneapolis, MN

Ongoing

A mobile, municipal sign shop designed to create vernacular name signs for different communities. Initially intended for name signs, has been used for creating signs telling city planners what amenities residents would like to see in an unused park and others. Available to hire to neighborhood orgs, businesses and anyone who is interested in engaging people through making and participation. readygoart.com

Flag Ceremony, Minneapolis, MN

June 2012

Often when individuals are honored by the President or Congress they receive a flag that was flown over the Capitol. At the McKnight Artist Fellowship party I flew 637 flags over the artists, friends and guests present, imbuing each flag with the spirit and energy of the collected people. The flags made their way overhead, flying over the party as the evening progressed and were presented to guests as they left.

Tent Services, Minneapolis, MN

2010-Present

A tent checkout service that provides *Expeditionary Conversation Tents* to the public for expeditions outside the museum or gallery. tentservices.com

Art Shanty Projects, Co-Founder, Medicine Lake, Plymouth, MN

2004-Present

Art Shanty Projects is an artist driven temporary community exploring the ways in which the relatively unregulated public space of the frozen lake can be used as a new and challenging artistic environment to expand notions of what art can be. artshantyprojects.org

2002-Present

The A Project is meant to increase solidarity among artists and art supporters through the use of Red A signs displayed in the windows of artist/art supporters' houses. Under the A are the words, "The household displaying this letter supports arts, artists and the ideas they contribute to our neighborhoods." the-a-project.org

Gallery Exhibitions: Solo	
New Work, Scott Nichols Gallery, San Francisco, CA hiding/seen, Trans-Art, Trondheim, Norway	2003 2002
Gallery Exhibitions: Selected Group	2012
Flag Show, Gamut Gallery, Minneapolis, MN	2013 2013
Ten, Jen Bekman Gallery, NY, NY On Dilettentiam, ACC Calaria Waimer, Waimer, Cormony	2013
On Dilettantism, ACC Galerie Weimar, Weimar, Germany Common Room, Soap Factory, Minneapolis, MN	2012
Louisiana Purchase, Louisiana Tech University, Ruston, LA	2011
There's a way in which, Playspace Gallery, CCA, SF, CA	2011
Ordinarily Here, Weisman Art Museum, Minneapolis, MN	2010
The Trouble Begins at Eight, Nash Gallery, Minneapolis, MN	2010
Sandwich, Art of This Gallery, Minneapolis, MN	2009
Material Behavior, The Gallatin Galleries, New York University, NY	2009
Bamboo Festival, Anji, China	2008
A New American Portrait, Jen Bekman, New York, NY	2008
Critical Translations, Katherine Nash Gallery, Minneapolis, MN	2007
56 th Arrowhead Biennial, Duluth Art Institute, Duluth, MN	2004
Best Midwestern, Jen Bekman Gallery, NY, NY	2004
Face to Face, Limn Gallery, San Francisco, CA	2004
Art on the Plains 6, Plains Art Museum, Fargo, ND	2003
Lectures/Panels/Conferences Visiting Artist at Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah Presented <i>Ping Pong Diplomacy</i> at <i>Open Engagement,</i> Portland State, OR College of St. Benedict, St. Joseph, MN,	2010 2010 2009
Experimenting with Art in Public Places, hosted by Northern Lights, Mpls	2008
Beijing Film Academy, Beijing, China,	2007
Honors and Awards	
Artist Initiative Grant from the Minnesota State Arts Board	2015
Arts On Chicago grant for Mobile Sign Shop, Pillsbury House, Mpls. Artist Neighborhood Partnership grant from the Center for Urban and	2012
Regional Affairs at the University of Minnesota	2012
Artist Initiative Grant from the Minnesota State Arts Board	2011
Finalist for Cartier Prize at the Freize Art Fair, London, England	2010
Forecast Public Art Projects Grant for <i>The A Project</i>	2004
McKnight Foundation Photography Fellowship	2002
Jerome Foundation Fellowship for Emerging Artists	2001
Residencies	
WACTAC (Walker Art Center Teen Arts Council) Minneapolis, MN	2010
Artist in Residence with Kulture Klub Collaborative	2006
Lademoen Kunstnerverksteder, Trondheim, Norway	2002

Publications

Featured Artist on *MNOrginal*, February 21, 2016, www.mnoriginal.org "You+Me, Together=Art," *ARP!*, Number 10, Fall 2009, 8. Photo illustration, *The New Yorker*, Sept 12, 2005, 78.