# **LEIGH DAVIS**

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## **SOLO EXHIBITIONS / PERFORMANCES**

2023

Feeling Tones, Modern Chapel at Green-Wood Cemetery, Brookyn, NY (pop-up installation)

2022

 OFFERING, Hirshhorn Museum Plaza, Washington, DC (curated by Sound Scene Festival) (interactive performance)

2020

- Vigil, Green-Wood Cemetery, Brooklyn, NY (site-specific installation)
- Offering, BRIC Contemporary Art, Brooklyn, NY (curated by Jenny Gerow and Harry Weil) (online exhibition)

2019

• Inquiry into the ELE, Vox Populi, Philadelphia, PA (curated by Lane Speidel and Jim Strong)

2017

 Inquiry into the ELE (WIP), Project Room, BRIC Contemporary Art, Brooklyn, NY (curated by Jenny Gerow)

2016

• Vigil, Clermont State Historic Site, Clermont, NY (site-specific installation)

2015

An Inquiry into the ELE, Morbid Anatomy Museum, Brooklyn NY (lecture-performance)

2012

• The Burrow H.H., Open Source Gallery, Brooklyn, NY (site-specific installation curated by Monika Wuhrer and Frank Jones) (catalog)

2011

- The Brothers, Arlington Arts Center, Arlington, VA (curated by Michael Pollack and Melissa Keys)
- everything that ought to have remained, Church of St. Paul the Apostle, New York, NY (sitespecific installation)

2008

• Ensemble, St. Joseph's Oratory and Galerie La Centrale, Montreal, QC (site-specific installation)

# **SELECTED 2 PERSON / GROUP EXHIBITIONS**

2023

- Mythic Patterns (with Michelle Levy), Spectral Lines, Ridgewood, NY (curated by Elizabeth Smolarz)
- The Collaborative, Kreeger Museum, Washington, DC (curated by Maleke Glee)
- Archive of the AIR, Past Present Projects, Philadelphia, PA (curated by Heather Mogtaderi)

2021

- UNHOLY GHOSTS, Jeff Marfa, Marfa, TX (curated by Willy Soma)
- The Altars Festival, STABLE Arts, Washington, DC (curated by Maleke Glee and Barrett Pitner/Sustainable Culture Lab)
- We Can't Predict Tomorrow, Arlington Arts Center, Arlington, VA (curated by Amanda Jirón- Murphy)
- Frame & Frequency VI, VisArts, Rockville, MD (curated by Frank McCauley)

2020

• Death Becomes Her, BRIC Contemporary Art and Green-Wood Cemetery, Brooklyn, NY (5x 10 project with McKendree Key, curated by Jenny Gerow and Harry Weil)

2019

- Dialogues, STABLE Arts, Washington, DC (curated by Jordan Amirkhani)
- Overlooked, Tephra Institute of Contemporary Art, Reston, VA (curated by Lily Siegel)

- In The Presence of Absence, Elizabeth Foundation for the Arts, NY (curated by Jillian Steinhauer) (catalog)
- Making (It) Work, Oliver Art Center, California College of the Arts, Oakland, CA (curated by Georgia Elrod and Karla Wozniak)

2017

- Reimagining Traditions, Open Source Gallery, Brooklyn, NY (site-specific installation for Green-Wood Cemetery, curated by Monika Wuhrer and James Leonard)
- Brooklyn Photographs, BRIC Contemporary Art, Brooklyn, NY (curated by Elizabeth Ferrer) (catalog)

2016

 Mother Circle, Dixon Place, New York, NY (curated performance in collaboration with Michelle Levy)

2013

 Congregate, Maryland Institute College of Art, Baltimore, MD (curated by Curatorial Practice MFA Program) (catalog)

2012

• Secular Columbarium for The Island, (e)merge Art Fair, Washington D.C. (curated by Jamie Smith and Leigh Conner)

2011

 Figured, BRIC Contemporary Art, Brooklyn, NY (exhibition and performance curated by Kris Nuzzi) (catalog)

2010

- Nervous Energy, Acadiana Center for the Arts, Lafayette, LA (curated by Stephanie Patton)
- Picturing an Ethical Economy, Trinity Grace Church, New York, NY (curated by Bob Shamis)
- Searching For God, Wayne and Geraldine Kuhn Fine Arts, Marion, OH (curated by Sarah Weinstock)

# **COLLABORATIVE PROJECTS**

## 2021-2023

• Voices of Rosedale (ongoing), Washington, DC (oral history and public art project in collaboration with Necothia Bowens-Robinson and long-time Rosedale residents)

2013

• Congregate, Maryland Institute College of Art, Baltimore, MD (series of programs in collaboration with local congregations and artistic communities) (catalog)

2006

- Gemini, Bourget Gallery, Montréal, QC (in collaboration with Esther Choi)
- Values and Variety, Fulton Mall, Brooklyn, NY (site-based project in collaboration with Rosten Woo and the Center for Urban Pedagogy)

2003

- City Without a Ghetto, Storefront for Art and Architecture, New York, NY (in collaboration with Rosten Woo and the Center for Urban Pedagogy)
- YMCA, Municipal Arts Society, New York, NY (in collaboration with Place Matters Organization and the Center for Urban Pedagogy)

## RECENT AWARDS / GRANTS / RESIDENCIES

# 2023

- Vermont Studio Center Studio Residency Fellowship, Johnson, VT
- Residency, Virginia Center for the Creative Arts, Amherst, VA
- CAH Arts and Humanities Project Grant, Washington, DC
- The Puffin Foundation Individual Artists Grant

## 2022

- Residency, Interlude Artist Residency, Livingston, NY
- CAH Arts and Humanities Fellowship Grant, Washington, DC

#### 2021

- Public Interest Design Lab Fellowship (in-collaboration with the DC Public Library and the Goethe-Institut)
- CAH Arts and Humanities Fellowship Grant, Washington, DC

## 2017

- Reimagine Production Grant Program, New York, NY
- New York Foundation for the Arts Fiscal Sponsorship Program
- The Pollination Project Grant

## 2010-2015

- Artist-in-Residence, Seniors Partnering with Artists Citywide, Jay- Harama Senior Center and the Department of Aging, Brooklyn, NY
- Residency, Colorado Art Ranch, Salida, CO Residency
- Vermont Studio Center, Johnson, VT
- Residency, Saltonstall Foundation for the Arts, Ithaca, NY
- The Puffin Foundation Individual Artists Grant
- Brooklyn Arts Council Individual Artists Program
- Residency, Santa Fe Art Institute, Santa Fe, NM

# TALKS / LECTURES / DISCUSSIONS

#### 2023

- (upcoming) Feeling Tones in-conversation with Harry Weil, Modern Chapel, Green-Wood Cemetery, Brookyn, NY
- Meditations for Montez Press Radio, New York, NY
- Visiting Artist Talk: Department of Public History, American University, Washington, DC

# 2022

Future Memory: Excerpts from the Other Side, Montez Press Radio, New York, NY

# 2021

Visiting Artist Talk: Department of Visual Arts, Fordham University, New York, NY

#### 2020

 An Inquiry into End-of-Life Experiences: In conversation with Suzanne Snyder (Oral History Summer School), Montez Press Radio, New York, NY

# 2019

- Dialogues: Labor, Discussion moderated by Zoë Charlton, STABLE, Washington, DC
- Visiting Artist Talk: University of Manitoba School of Art, Winnipeg, MB, Canada

#### 2018

- An Inquiry into End-of-Life Experiences: Film Screening, Smith Healing Arts Center, Washington, DC
- An Inquiry into End-of-Life Experiences: Film Screening Reimagine NYC, Green-Wood Cemetery, Brooklyn, NY (hosted by Leigh Davis and Harry Weil)
- Artists Forum, New York Foundation for the Arts, Brooklyn, NY (moderated by Madeleine Cutrona)

# 2017

- Reimagining Tradition, Brooklyn Central Public Library, Brooklyn, NY (panel moderated by Nina Mehta (PARCEO))
- On Photography and the Encounter, BRIC Contemporary Art, Brooklyn, NY (panel moderated by Garnette Cadogan)

## 2013

- Social Practice Eats, Guest Host, Prospect Park Lawn, Brooklyn, NY (facilitated by Stephanie Diamond and Lisa Sikorski)
- Artist Walk, Green-Wood Cemetery, Brooklyn, NY (in collaboration with Open Source Gallery)

## 2011

- Artist Talk/Presentation, Graduate and Undergraduate Critiques, Savannah College of Art & Design Photography Department, Savannah, GA
- Artist Talk/Presentation, Undergraduate Critiques, Maryland Institute College of Art Photography Department, Baltimore, MD

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- Curatorial Practice MFA Program, Maryland Institute College of Art, Congregate (catalog), September 2013
- Carole McCauly, "Congregate," The Baltimore Sun, September 10, 2013
- Melanie McWhorter, "Faith: Leigh Davis and The Brothers", Finitefoto (blog), April 17, 2012
- James Duncan-Welke, "Secular Columbarium for The Island at (e)merge Art Fair", The Southwester, November 14, 2012
- Monika Wuhrer, Open Source Gallery, The Burrow H.H. (catalog), February 2011
- Olympia Kazi, "Filling the Void, Mind the Gap", The Architects Newspaper, May 10, 2006

## **EDUCATION**

2007 M.F.A., Photography, Concordia University, Montréal, QC

1999 B.F.A., Photography (hons.), Savannah College of Art and Design, Savannah, GA

# **ACADEMIC / TEACHING POSITIONS**

2008-present Part-Time Assistant Professor and Lecturer, Parsons School of Design, New York, NY