# **Kerry Downey**

### **EDUCATION**

2017	Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture, Madison, ME
2009	Master of Fine Arts, Hunter College, New York, NY
2008	Glasgow School of Art, Glasgow, Scotland
1998-2002	Bachelor of Fine Arts, Bard College, Annandale-on-Hudson, NY
2001	Yale School of Art, Norfolk, CT

### **SOLO AND TWO PERSON SHOWS**

2017	Nothing but net, solo exhibition at CAVE, Detroit, MI
2017	SCRIPT^^forms, two-person with E.E. Ikeler, 20 20 Gallery, New York, NY
2016	Read My Lips, two-person exhibition with Loren Britton, curated by Ashton
	Cooper, Knockdown Center, Maspeth, NY

### **SELECTED SHOWS**

2010	Catch and Palegge with Angala Dufrasna, Dansnaga Project, New York, NY
2019	Catch and Release with Angela Dufresne, Danspace Project, New York, NY Smeared States, Showroom MAMA, curated by Lila Athanasiadou
	Rotterdam, Netherlands
	Tell Us Plainly What You Mean, Aquarius Studios, curated by Becky Brown and
	Tatiana Istomina, Ridgewood, NY
2018	How to see in the dark, Cuchifritos Gallery, curated by Christian Camacho-Light,
	Moving Body, Moving Study, BAM, curated by Holly Shen and Rachel Valinsky, Brooklyn, NY
	Private Practice, Underdonk Gallery, Brooklyn, NY
	Terribly Vulnerable and Terribly Hard, Cooper Cole, curated by Ashton Cooper,
	Toronto, CA
	Health Show II, A.I.R. Gallery, Brooklyn, NY
	Queer Tropics, curated by Charlie Tatum, Transformer, Washington D.C.
	Partial Views, Hercules Studio Program, New York, NY
2017	Queer Tropics, curated by Charlie Tatum, Pelican Bomb, New Orleans, LA
	Standard Forms, curated by Christian Camacho-Light, Ramapo College's Berrie Art Center, NJ
	what are we but lying single surface, curated by Molly Mac and Natalie Ann
	Martínez, The Alice, Seattle, WA
	Beauty and Room, curated by Miriam Laura Leonardi and Balthazar Lovay,
	happening in various homes in Sion in the Swiss Alps, Switzerland
	2ª Bienal Internacional de Arte, curated by José Silva, Vila Nova de Gaia, Portugal
	Sinister Feminism, A.I.R. Gallery, curated by Piper Marshall; Brooklyn, NY
2016	ROT: Compost vs Surgery, Seattle Art Museum, curated by Molly Mac and S. Surface; Seattle, WA
	Surrace; Seattle, WA

Age Lines, Casco, curated by Staci bu Shea, Utrecht, Netherlands

	Paris Internationale, Taylor Macklin, Paris, France
	Blood, Sweat, and Tears, curated by Isabelle and Sophie Lynch, Art Gallery of
	Guelph, Guelph, ON
	VERBLIST, E. Tay gallery, curated by Mark Epstein, New York, NY
	NO ATLAS, Elizabeth Foundation for the Arts Project Space SHIFT residency
	exhibition, New York, NY
	Queens International, curated by Lindsey Berfond and Hitomi Iwasaki, Queens
	Museum; Flushing, NY
	A new job to unwork αt, Los Angeles Contemporary Exhibitions, curated by
	Andrew Kachel and Clara López Menéndez, Los Angeles, CA
	In Search of Conjunctions, The Alice Gallery, Seattle, WA
2015	Extra Teats, curated by Rebecca Goyette, Satellite, Miami, FL
2013	Underdonk at ESX LA, curated by Ashley Garrett; ESX LA (Eastside International
	Gallery), Los Angeles, CA
	Name It By Trying to Name It, curated by Nova Benway and Lisa Sigal; The
	Drawing Center, New York, NY
	OS4 (in conjunction with Open Sessions), The Drawing Center, New York, NY
2014	Hospital, curated by Matthias Borello; Flux Factory, Long Island City, NY
2014	Sex Without Bodies, Temporary Agency, Brooklyn, NY
	Couplings, curated by Piper Marshall; Taylor Macklin, Zurich, Switzerland
	We Owe Each Other Everything, curated by Andrew Kachel; Center for Curatorial
	Studies at Bard College, Annandale, NY
	Sunken Living Room, curated by Terri Smith; Franklin Street Works, Stamford, CT
2012	
2013	Ajar, REVERSE Gallery, curated by Natasha Llorens; Brooklyn, NY
	CISCO, SYSCO, SISQO, LaFonda, curated by Tom Simon, Alina Tenser, and
	Kristof Wickman; The Rockaways, Queens, NY
	Artist Picks: Kerry Downey, solo screening of seven works, organized by
	Clara López, Raumerweiterungshalle, Berlin, Germany
	Videorover: Season 6, NURTUREart Gallery, Brooklyn, NY
	A Terrestrial Cutting and Assemblage, UAL Gallery, London; Curated by Eliza
	Swann
2012	A Study of Interruptions, Ramapo College's Berrie Art Center, NJ; curated by
	Natasha Llorens
	O, with Amy Beecher, Garden/Party/Arts, Brooklyn NY; curated by Erin Ikeler
	and Ariel Roman
	Coworker Projects, Screening at Entwine, New York
	The Loneliness of the Middle Distance Runner, Flux Factory, Long Island City,
	Queens; Curated by Sam Perry
	Soft Opening, Heliopolis, Greenpoint, NY
	Emotional Blackmail, Curated by Markús Þór Andrésson and Chen Tamir,
	Kitchener-Waterloo Art Gallery, Ontario
	Deconstructing the Habit, curated by Angela Washko, Spattered Columns, NY
	How Many People Does It Take to Make a Place, Open Engagement, performance
	workshop with Elizabeth Hamby, Portland, OR
2011	Shifting Communities, collaboration with Action Club, Hatuey Ramos Fermin and
	Elizabeth Hamby, curated by Chad Stayrook; Bronx River Art Center, NY
	Do Me video screening, Spectacle Theater, Brooklyn NY
	Greatest Love of All in conjunction with Congress of the Collectives/Flux Factory,

Angela Beallor and Niknaz Tavakolian; Long Island City, NY Emotional Blackmail, Curated by Markús Þór Andrésson and Chen Tamir, Southern Alberta Art Gallery (SAAG), Alberta, Canada Why Participate? with Action Club, curated by Angela Washko, Flux Factory, Long Island City, Queens LUMEN, site specific installation with Claudia Pena Salinas and Jo Q. Nelson, Merchant Marine Memorial Plaza, Staten Island DOUBLE SESSION, with Action Club, curated by Natasha Marie Llorens, Bard Center for Curatorial Studies, Annandale-on-Hudson, New York Art & Lies, curated by Risa Shoup, Invisible Dog, Brooklyn, NY UNPUNISHED, curated by Nayland Blake, Sue Scott Gallery, New York The Physical Center, St Cecilia's Parish, Brooklyn, NY 2010 You Can Have It All, with Jeremy Willis, Spattered Columns, NY Great Fallings, Fabricolor building, ArtWalk, Paterson, NJ All Together Now with Action Club collective, Build It Green, Queens, NY Ecstatic, St Cecilia's Parish, Brooklyn, NY (in conjunction Action Club) Seven Easy Steps; video screening, Horton Gallery, NY The Man I Wish I Was, A.I.R. Gallery, Brooklyn, NY One After Another, The National Gallery of Saskatchewan, Canora, Saskatchewan 2009 2009 MFA Thesis Exhibition, Hunter College Times Square Gallery, New York, NY

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

We collect together in a net, edited by Rachel Valinksy, published by Wendy's Subway; includes 14 full color reproductions of Downey's works on paper, essays by Jaime Shearn Coan, Jeanne Vaccaro, Ryan Wong, and Layla Zami; designed by Erik Freer, June Downey, Kerry, Art Journal Open, "Creating Good-Enough Containers: Reflections on Queerness in Community-Based Museum Education," January Downey, Kerry and Krakow, Ellie, Lookie Lookie, "Backstage with Kerry Downey and Ellie Krakow," December

#### **CURATORIAL PROJECTS**

2015	The Vault: A body is a song to be sung, Curator, group show of video works at SPACES, Cleveland, OH
2014	Failing to Levitate, Co-curator (with Natasha Marie Llorens), group show at Elizabeth Foundation for the Arts Project Space, New York
2011	Do Me, Curator, video screenings at Spectacle Theatre, Brooklyn, NY
2011	Here & There and Do Me, Curator, video screenings at Invisible Dog, Brooklyn
2004-2008	Curator, project manager, and artist-in-residence, Flux Factory, Long Island City, NY
2006	<i>Grizzly Proof</i> , Co-curator (with Jean Barberis and Chen Tamir), Flux Factory, Long Island City, NY
2005	NOVEL, Co-curator (with Morgan Meis), Flux Factory, Long Island City, NY

### **RESIDENCIES**

2019	(forthcoming) Arteles Creative Center, Hämeenkyrö, Finland
2018	Triangle Arts Association, Brooklyn, NY
2015-2016	SHIFT at the Elizabeth Foundation for the Arts Project Space, New York City
2014-2015	Open Sessions, The Drawing Center, New York City
2014	Real Time and Space residency; Oakland, CA
2007	Residency with Hungarian Cultural Center and Flux Factory for Sziget Festival,
	Budapest, Hungary
2002	Residency at Vermont Studio Center, Johnson, VT

#### **ARTIST TALKS**

2019	(forthcoming) University of Arizona, Tuscon, Arizona
	Visiting artist, Rhode Island School of Design, Providence, RI Visiting artist, Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, NY
	Visiting artist, Fract institute, Brooklyn, NY  Visiting artist, School of Visual Arts, New York, NY
	Visiting artist, Dorksy Gallery and SUNY New Paltz, New Paltz, NY
2018	Visiting artist, Fashion Institute of Technology, New York, NY
2010	Visiting artist Studio Visit, Fellows from Emerging Artists program in the
	United Arab Emirates, New York, NY
2017	Presenter, Always Already Desiring Machines Workshop, organized by Amanda,
•	Parmer, Wendy's Subway Reading Room at BAM, Brooklyn, NY
2017	Panelist, PrintFest, New York, NY
2016	Participant, The New Museum's R&D Sessions on Legacy, New York, NY
2014	Panelist, Intentional Communities, Museum of Arts and Design, New York, NY
2013	Presenter, Arts & Labor Alternatives Fair, Eyebeam, New York, NY
2013	Presenter with Natasha Llorens; Unscripted: A Symposium on the Study of
	Performance, Columbia University, New York, NY
2013	Visiting artist; Sarah Lawrence College Printmaking Classes, Bronxville, NY
2013	Visiting artist; BFA Seniors class, Parsons The New School for Design, New York, NY
2013	Panelist, Fucking Up: Learning from Mistakes in Art and Education, Eyebeam, New
3	York, NY
2012	Visiting artist, Printmaking class, SUNY Purchase, Harrison, NY
2012	Artist Talk with Natasha Llorens, A Study of Interruptions, Ramapo College Berrie
	Art Center, Ramapo, NJ
2011	Visiting artist, The New School for Public Engagement, Art of the 6o's and 7o's,
	New York, NY
2011	Visiting artist, Senior Seminar, Bard College, Annandale-on-Hudson, NY
2011	Panel moderator; Focus and Motivation, Hunter College, New York, NY
2010	Panelist, The Self-Destructing Art Show, Flux Factory, Long Island City, NY
2010	Visiting artist, Senior Seminar, Bard College, Annandale-on-Hudson, NY

## **PRESS**

2018	Jenkins, Mark, The Washington Post, "Queer Tropics," April Colucci, Emily, Filthy Dreams, "Stranded in the Jungle: Exoticism and Resistant Illegibility in 'Queer Tropics,'" January
2017	Henry, Joseph, The Brooklyn Rail, "Queering Queer Abstraction," October
2016	Gavin, Francesca, Artsy, "12 Emerging Artists to Watch at Paris Internationale," November
2016	Chiragdin, Neil, Queens Chronicle, "Exhibition embodies abstraction in human forms," November
2016	Yerebekan, Osman Can, Filthy Dreams, "Potentials of Queer Abstraction," November
2014	Trolio, Kory, The Range, "We Owe Each Other Everything," April
2013	Adams, Abraham, Artforum, "Ajar," October
2012	The Record, "Examining Human Emotions," May
2010	Queens Chronicle, "Destroy!," for Self Destructing Art Show, November
2009	MTV2, highlighted artist for Independent Week, July
2007	Globe and Mail, "One Man's Failure is Another Man's Work of Art,", March
2007	Time Out NY, "Kodiak Moment," March
2007	Queens Tribune, "Grizzly Proof Exhibit Comes to Flux Factory," March
2006	Umbrella Online, Sept, "The Artistbook Library at Proteus Gowanus," September
2006	Queens Chronicle, "Ruminations on Replication," January
2005	Shrier, Sonya, The Brooklyn Rail, "What the Book: Flux Factory," November

### **HONORS & GRANTS**

2018	Recipient of Joan Mitchell Foundation Emerging Art Career Opportunity Grant
2017	Nomination for Pushcart Prize in Poetry
2016	Recipient of Foundation for Contemporary Arts Grant
2016	Nomination for the Rema Hort Mann Foundation Grant
2015	Recipient of Joan Mitchell Foundation's Emerging Artist Grant
2012	Queer Art Mentorship Fellow
2010	First place award for video, Forward Thinking Museum
2009	Nominated for Joan Mitchell Foundation's MFA Grant Program for Sculpture
2007	Graf Travel Grant for Berlin, Hunter College MFA
2002	Award of Distinction/Trustee Leader Scholars Program Bard College
2001-2002	Brewster Terry III Memorial Scholarship for commitment to the liberal arts
	community, Bard College
2001	Ellen Battell Stoeckel Fellowship, Yale University School of Art
2001	Suzanne Clements Zimmer Prize for Fine Art