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Projects

2005 -2007 East Quad: Bricks, Mortar, Spirit

To mark the 40th anniversary of the founding of the University of Michigan's Residential College, I used questionnaires as well as University and Residential College archives to amass information about the people who attended the RC and the building itself.

2002 -2004 Dial(ed) 911

To mark the anniversary of the attacks of September 11, 2001, I asked viewers to fill out a Rolodex card stating who they called on that day and to insert the card into a twin-wheeled, 4,000 card Rolodex

1997 -1998 Remembering the Unremembered

To remember the unclaimed dead of Chicago's catastrophic 1995 heat wave, I used information from the county medical examiner's office to map and photograph their homes. I knit each person a pair of mittens, labeled with his or her name, address, and birth date.

Selected Exhibitions and Collaborations

2011 ArtPrize 2011, Grand Rapids, MI

2009 Happy New Year, Ed, conference room intervention, Chicago, IL

Blue Spiral, ongoing lawn project, Homewood, IL

2008 Department (Store), Sullivan Galleries, Chicago, IL

home, Rymer Gallery, Chicago, IL Art/Work V, Gallery 2 Chicago, IL

2007 East Quad: Bricks, Mortar, Spirit, Residential College Gallery, University of Michigan,

Ann Arbor, MI (solo)

2006 All that is Solid Melts into Air, Gallery 2, Chicago, IL

3 Acres on the Lake: DuSable Park Project, Gallery 312, Chicago, IL

2000 Graduate Exhibition, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL

Reviews

Jon Anderson. "Mittens knit a tribute to 43 forgotten victims." Chicago Tribune, May 22, 1998 (Reprinted in City Watch: Discovering the Uncommon Chicago, University of Iowa Press, 2001)

Polly Ullrich. "The Evolution of Fiber Art." New Art Examiner, February 2000

Publications

"Torn and Mended: Textile Actions at Ground Zero and Beyond." The Object of Labor: Critical Perspectives on Art, Cloth, and Cultural Production, School of the Art Institute of Chicago and MIT Press, 2007

"Four Banners." 3 Acres on the Lake: DuSable Park Project, White Walls, 2003

Collections

University of Michigan Residential College, Ann Arbor MI Kalamazoo Institute of Art, Kalamazoo, MI

Residencies

Roger Brown House, New Buffalo, MI, March 2005

Education

Master of Fine Arts, Fiber & Material Studies, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, 2000 Bachelor of Fine Arts, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, 1998 Master of Arts, Graduate Library School, University of Chicago, 1986 Bachelor of Arts, Literature, Residential College, University of Michigan, 1980