

# Keisha Scarville

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## Selected Group and Solo Exhibitions:

### 2023

*The Rose*, lumber room, Portland, Oregon (Curated by Justine Kurland)

### 2022

*A Picture Gallery of the Soul*, Katherine E. Nash Gallery, University of Minnesota

*Hot/Slow/Step*, Huxley-Parlour, London (solo)

*FotoFest Biennial - If I Had a Hammer*, Houston, TX (Curated by Amy Sadao)

### 2021

*Li/mb*, Higher Pictures Generation, Brooklyn, NY (solo)

*SeenUnseen*, LA Louver Gallery, Los Angeles (Curated by Alison Saar)

*I Belong to This*, Huxley – Parlour, London (Curated by Justine Kurland)

*Disembodied Forms*, Cuchifritos Gallery + Project Space, New York, NY (Curated by Christie Neptune)

### 2020

*We Wear the Mask*, Higher Pictures Generation, Brooklyn, NY (Curated by D'Angelo Lovell Williams)

*Body/Split Trick*, Essex Flowers Gallery, New York, NY (Curated by Melissa Brown)

*Death Becomes Her*, BRIC & Greenwood, Brooklyn, NY (Curated by Harry Weil and Jennifer Gerow)

*All of Them Witches*, Jeffrey Deitch, LA (Curated by Dan Nadel and Laurie Simmons)

### 2019

Art Summit Nigeria

Bamako Encounters: African Biennale of Photography, Multiple Venues, Mali

*where we came from & where we are going*, Transformer Gallery, Washington D.C. (Curated by Kimi Katada)

### 2018

*Alma*, Lightwork Gallery, Syracuse, NY. (solo)

*Carry Over*, Smack Mellon, Brooklyn, NY. (Curated by Kalia Brooks for Africa's Out)

*Placelessness of Echoes*, Baxter Street at CCNY, New York, NY. (solo)

*The Last Place They Thought Of*, Institute of Contemporary Art, Philadelphia. (Curated by Daniella Rose King)

*Elegy: Selections from Mama's Clothes*, Lesley Heller, New York, NY. (solo)

*Revival: Contemporary Pattern and Decoration*, Longwood Art Gallery, Bronx, NY. (Curated by Rocio Aranda-Alvarado for El Museo Del Barrio)

### 2017

24:7, Video Display at 10 Times Square (Curated and presented by ZAZ 10TS collective)

*An Unassailable and Monumental Dignity*, Contact Photo Gallery, Toronto, ON. (Curated by Heather Rigg)

*Liminal Space*, Caribbean Cultural Center African Diaspora Institute, New York, NY.

*The Photo Show*, Lesley Heller Gallery, New York, NY.

### 2016

*Surrogate Skin: The Biology of Objects*, Museum of Contemporary African Diasporan Arts, Brooklyn, NY.

*Unfixed Homeland*, Aljira Center for Contemporary Art, Newark, NJ. (Curated by Grace Aneiza Ali)

**2015**

*Inherited*, BRIC Arts Media House, Brooklyn, NY.

**2014**

Addis Ababa Foto Fest, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

*Dark Desires*, Center for Sex and Culture, San Francisco, CA.

**2013**

*q* BRIC Arts Media House,  
Brooklyn, NY.

*Timheri Transitions*, Wilmer Jennings Gallery, New York, NY.

**2012**

The Bearden Project, Studio Museum of Harlem, New York, NY.

**2011**

The Black Portrait, Rush Arts Gallery, New York, NY

**2007**

*The Black Madonna*, MoCADA & Skylight Gallery, Brooklyn, NY.

*Regarding Intimacy*, Hunter College Art Gallery, New York, NY.

**2001**

*Committed to the Image*, Brooklyn Museum of Art, Brooklyn, NY.

**Residences/Awards:**

Paris Photo – Aperture PhotoBook Awards – *shortlisted*, 2023

Creator Labs Photo Fund, 2023

Stoneleaf Retreat, 2019

BRIC Media Arts Fellowship, 2019

BRIC Workspace Artist Residency Program, 2018

Baxter Street at CCNY Workspace Residency Program, October – December 2017

Smack Mellon, Hot Picks 2017

Rema Hort Mann Grant Emerging Artist Grant nominee 2016

Vermont Studio Center, August 2017

Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture, 2016

Lower Manhattan Cultural Council Workspace, 2015-2016

Lightwork A-I-R Program, Syracuse, August 2014

Brooklyn Arts Council Regrant Program 2006

Center For Photography at Woodstock, August 2003

**Books:**

lick of tongue, rub of finger on soft wound, MACK Books, ©2023 - *monograph*

Black Matrilineage, Photography, and Representation, edited by Lesly Deschler Canossi and Zoraida Lopez-Diago ©2022

Liminal Spaces: Migration and Women of the Guyanese Diaspora ©2020, edited by Grace Aneiza Ali

Last Place They Thought Of, ICA Philadelphia ©2020

Contact Sheet: Keisha Scarville, Fall 2018

MFON: Women Photographers of the African Diaspora, November 2017.

The Bearden Project, The Studio Museum of Harlem ©2012 p. 192

Committed to the Image: Contemporary Black Photographers Merrell Publishers ©2001 p. 194.

**Press:**

"Keisha Scarville, Li/mb @Higher Pictures Generation" Collector Daily, January 2022  
"Behind the Mask: Photographers Reflect on Black Vulnerability" Hyperallergic, February 2021.  
[There There Now, Issue #7](#)  
[Death As Seen by 8 Female Artists - The Cut, March 2020](#)  
[OPP Interviews Keisha Scarville, October 2019](#)  
"This Photographer Tells Her Parents' Story Through the Things They Left Behind" Vice Magazine, February 2019  
Aperture: Prison Nation Issue #230, Spring 2018, p.107.  
"Art as Caribbean Feminist Practice: A Portfolio," Small Axe Journal, 2017.  
"Gathering the Work of Guyanese Artists Far from Home" Hyperallergic, September 2016. "A Guyanese Art Show Explores Images of Migration and Home-Making" Village Voice, September 2016  
Oxford American, Fall 2015  
Vice Magazine, 2015 (Volume 23, Issue #2 & Volume 22, Issue #10)  
"Beautiful Ambiguities: The Photography of Keisha Scarville" Small Axe Journal, February 2015  
Contact Sheet: Lightwork Annual, Fall 2015  
Nueva Luz Photographic Journal, Fall 2013  
Transition Magazine, 2012  
ARC Magazine, 2010

**Collections:**

George Eastman House, Yale University Art Gallery, FSU Museum of Fine Arts, Smithsonian Museum of American Art, Syracuse Lightwork, Center for Photography at Woodstock, the Detroit Institute of the Arts, and private collections.

**Adjunct/Part-time Professor:**

Parsons School of Art & Design (undergraduate and graduate level, Fall 2018 – present), New York University (Spring 2022), ICP/Bard College MFA Program (Fall 2019), International Center for Photography (2010 – present), Borough of Manhattan Community College (Spring 2020), Bard High School Early College (Fall 2012 – Spring 2019).

**Visiting Artist/Lecturer:**

Anderson Ranch Arts Center (August 2024)  
Elles x Paris Photo (November 2023)  
Denver Art Museum (September 2023)  
Penumbra Foundation (April 2023)  
SUNY New Paltz, School of Fine & Performing Arts (November 2020)  
Princeton University, Visual Arts Department at the Lewis Center for the Arts (October 2020)  
Syracuse University, College of Visual Performing Arts (December 2018)  
Harvard University, Department of Visual and Environmental Studies (April 2019 & October 2020)

**Education:**

Parsons/The New School, Certificate in Creative Arts Therapy, 2010  
Rochester Institute of Technology, Bachelor of Science, 1998