

# LAURA BOBAN

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Lives/works Milwaukee, WI

## EDUCATION

2020 M.F.A., Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA  
2008 B.F.A., University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, IL

## EXHIBITIONS (Solo and Two-Person Exhibitions indicated with\*)

2021 Webster Arts Open Theme Annual 2021, Virtual Group Exhibition  
2020 MFA Virtual Thesis Exhibition, Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA  
INSERT self, The Gallery at Main Street Station, Richmond, VA  
2019 \**Home Base*, Anderson Gallery, VCU, Richmond, VA (curated by Haley Clouser [catalogue])  
*The Social Policing of Gender*, Amos Eno Gallery, Brooklyn, NY  
*PROUD+*, The Studio Door, San Diego, CA  
*Because Of*, VCU Graduate Candidacy Exhibition, ArtSpace, Richmond, VA  
*Sample*, Craft/Material Studies First Year MFA, Anderson Gallery, VCU, Richmond, VA  
2017 *We Are Enough*, Oak Park Art League, Oak Park, IL  
2013 \**The People Have Not Failed*, Octagon Gallery, Chicago, IL  
2012 *Level Eater III*, Co-Prosperity Sphere, Chicago, IL  
2010 *Submission*, Pentagon Gallery, Chicago, IL  
2009 *Artist Run*, Hyde Park Art Center, Chicago, IL  
2008 BFA Thesis Exhibition: *Parts & Patterns*, University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, IL

## HONORS / RESIDENCIES

2021 Award of Excellence, Webster Arts Open Theme Annual 2021  
2019 Graduate Thesis Grant, VCU, Richmond, VA  
Surface Design Association Outstanding Student Award  
Graduate Travel Grant, VCU, Richmond, VA  
2018-19 Graduate Teaching Assistantship, VCU, Richmond, VA  
2016-17 Teacher Institute, Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL  
2015 Odysseys Cultural Exchange, San Ramón, Costa Rica  
2008 Faculty Prize for Art Education, University of Illinois at Chicago  
2007-8 Art Education Tuition Award, University of Illinois at Chicago  
2006 Studio Arts Tuition Award, University of Illinois at Chicago

## TEACHING/PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2020-Present Visual Arts Teacher, Roosevelt Middle School, Milwaukee Public Schools, Milwaukee, WI  
2020 Graduate Assistant, Office of Multi-Cultural Student Affairs, VCU, Richmond, VA  
2018 Graduate Teaching Assistant, *Introduction to Textiles*, VCU, Richmond, VA  
2008-2018 Visual Arts Teacher, Jones College Prep High School, Chicago Public Schools,  
2007 Painting Instructor, *Painting So Cute & Creepy*, Spiral Workshop, UIC, Chicago, IL

## PRESENTATIONS / SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

2020 Artist Talk, *Transfeminist Art*, *Transfeminist Art Histories Panel*, SECAC Conference  
Graduate Student Speaker, Lavender Graduation Celebration, VCU, Richmond, VA  
2019 Graduate Artist Talk, Institute for Contemporary Art, VCU, Richmond, VA  
*Abstract Interferences*, Artist Lecture, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY  
2018 Graduate Artist Talk, Craft/Material Studies Department, VCU, Richmond, VA

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- 2017 Panelist, Teacher Exchange Public Symposium, Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL
- 2016 *Weird Wearables*, National Art Education Association Conference, Chicago, IL
- 2013 *Digital Identities*, MCA Curriculum Slam, Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL

## **PUBLICATIONS AS AUTHOR**

- 2017 *Connections & Community*, Co-created curriculum, Museum of Contemporary Art Chicago website: <http://teach.mcachicago.org/institute/lesson-plans/connections-community>