



## BRANDON J. DONAHUE

(Born 1985, Memphis, Tennessee)

### EDUCATION

2010-2013 MFA, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN,  
2005-2009 BFA, Tennessee State University, Nashville, TN  
2008-2009 Lorenzo De Medici School of the Arts in Florence, Italy.  
2003-2004 Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA, Art Foundation

### SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2022 Rebounds & Assists, Pentimenti Gallery, Philadelphia, PA  
2021 Ball In Transition, Eubie Blake Center, Baltimore, MD  
2019 No Look Past. SkyPac Center Bowling Green, KY  
No Look Past. David Lusk Gallery, Memphis, TN  
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R.I.P. Elephant Gallery, Nashville, TN  
Outta Bounds. Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN  
Foul Shot. Wrather Gallery, Murray State University  
2017 Family Day. Oz Arts, Nashville, TN  
2016 Foul Shot. Seed Space Nashville, TN  
Street Smarts. Gallery on the Square, Franklin, KY  
BIGCITYsmalltown. Athica Institute for Contemporary Art, Athens, GA  
2014 PolyCopies. Avon Williams Campus Tennessee State University Library, Nashville, TN  
2011 Gallery 11:11. Gallery 1010, Knoxville, TN

### GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2021 Band of Vibes Co-Lab, Los Angeles, CA  
Untitled, Miami Basel, Miami, FL, represented by Pentimenti Gallery  
Abode, Baltimore, MD  
AbstractTENN, Channel to Channel, Chattanooga, TN  
Play, Bascom Center for Visual Arts, Highlands, NC  
Structure Identity, Transformation, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis & Nashville, TN  
2020 "The Black Vote", Banneker-Douglass Museum, Anapolis, MD  
"Coded/ Coated", Robert F. Agrella Gallery, Santa Rosa College, Santa Rosa, CA  
'Spectacle", New Gallery, Austin Peay University, Clarksville, TN  
2019 Off The Wall, Blue Spiral Gallery, Asheville, NC  
AIAHID Gallery, Notre Dame University, Notre Dame, IN  
Murals of North Nashville Now, Frist Museum, Nashville, TN  
615 North. Fisk University. Nashville, TN  
Intermittent Rivers. 13th annual Havana Biennial. Matanzas, Cuba  
Colour Somewhere. John C. Hutcheson Gallery at Lipscomb University, Nashville, TN  
2018 Vivid Memories of a Blurred Past. Atlanta Contemporary, Atlanta, GA  
Colour Theory. two-person exhibition with Jordan Hubbard, Gallery 1010, Knoxville, TN  
Oz Conversations. OzArts Contemporary Arts Performance Center, Nashville, TN  
New Orleans Tricentennial Art Show. McKenna Museum, New Orleans, LA

### PUBLIC COMMISSIONS

2021 Rollingcrest-Chillum Community Center, Chillum, MD  
Kaboom Playground @ Suitland Community Center, Suitland, MD  
Arrowmont School of Arts and Craft, Gatlinburg, TN  
2020 Brainerd YFD Center, Public Art Commission of Chattanooga, Chattanooga, TN

- 2019 Crow Mural, Downtown Memphis Commission, Memphis, TN  
Madison Park Community Center, The Art of Fitness. Madison Park Community Center, Madison, TN
- 2018 Sprite Mural. Nashville, TN commissioned for Nashville Fashion Week funded by Sprite  
2017 Madison Park Community Center Project. Madison Park Community Center, Nashville, TN funded by Metro Arts Nashville
- 2016 Chilhowee Park, mural. Knoxville, TN commissioned by Arts and Culture Alliance and the Knoxville Public Arts Committee funded by the East Tennessee Foundation, Tennessee Arts Commission Placemaking Grant, & First Tennessee Foundation  
Could This B A Sign?, mural. I.T. Creswell Middle Preparatory School, Nashville TN  
Co-Curator, Nashville Walls Projects Mural, Printers Alley, Nashville, TN
- 2015 The Present is a Gift, mural. Norf Wall Fest, Nashville, TN funded by Metro Arts Nashville  
2 Love a City, Community Mural, Clarksville Highway & 26th Street, Nashville, TN commissioned by Urban Housing Solutions funded by Tennessee Arts Commission and Metro Arts Nashville
- 2013 BAD MOON, Double 6 Studio, Brooklyn, NY

## BOOK

- 2021 Included in the book publication "*Common Practice: Basketball and Contemporary Art*" by Carlos Rolon. This publication from Skira Editore covers more than a century of artwork from over two hundred leading artists—including Nina Chanel Abney, Emma Amos, Romare Bearden, Salvador Dalí, Elaine de Kooning, David Hammons, Barkley Hendricks, Titus Kaphar, Jacob Lawrence, Roy Lichtenstein, Sharon Lockhart, Robert Longo, Claes Oldenburg, Richard Prince, Robert Rauschenberg, Faith Ringgold, Lorna Simpson, Andy Warhol, Ai Weiwei, and Wendy White.

## AWARDS & HONORS

- 2018 Recipient, Tanne Foundation Award  
Judge, Middle Tennessee Art Scholastic Awards
- 2017 Best Installation Show, Nashville Scene Magazine  
Grant Recipient, Metro Arts Nashville, Madison Park Community Center
- 2016 Juror, Nashville Scene Photography Contest Creative  
Placemaking Grant for The Cumberland Garden, Nashville Metro Arts
- 2013 Dorothy Dille Materials Grant, University of Tennessee - Knoxville
- 2009 Study Abroad Grant, Tennessee State University
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## MUSEUM COLLECTIONS

Banneker-Douglass Museum, Annapolis, MD  
Frist Art Museum, Nashville, TN  
Private Museum Collection, Matanzas, Cuba

## PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

Arrowmont School of Arts and Craft  
Fidelity Investments, NC  
Metro Arts Nashville (Madison Community Center)  
Memphis International Airport  
NexAIR Headquarters in Memphis, TN  
Northern Gateway CDC (Rollingscrest-Chillum Community Center)  
Orion FederalCredit Union Headquarters, Memphis, TN



## ARTIST RESIDENCIES

- 2019 Driskell Artist in Residence, David C. Driskell Center, College Park, MD  
Wassaic Artist Residency, Wassaic, NY
- 2018 Hamlet Artist in Residence, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN  
Workshop Instructor, Penland School of Arts and Crafts, Penland, NC
- 2017 Hamlet Artist in Residence, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN  
Workshop Instructor, Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts, Gatlinburg, TN  
Madison Park Community Center Summer Arts Program, Nashville, TN
- 2015 Artist in Residence, East Nashville Hope Exchange, Nashville, TN
- 2008-2010 Artist in Residence, Scarritt Bennett Center/ Gallery F, Nashville, TN

## SELECTED COLLABORATIONS

- 2018 Nick Cave Featuring Nashville. "UpRight", Frist Museum, Nashville, TN
- 2009 Participated in a performance by William Pope L. Nashville, TN

## PRESS

- 2021 <https://poughkeepsiejournal.com/story/entertainment/2021/07/09/art-exhibit-wassaic-project-block-parties-immersive-experiences/7872551002>  
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<https://www.tennessean.com/story/life/arts/2019/08/04/frist-museum-exhibit-spotlights-murals-north-nashville/1881982001/>
- 2018 Jeffcoat, Yves. "Vivid Memories of a Blurred Past" at Atlanta Contemporary". BURNAWAY  
[www.burnaway.org/vivid-memories-atlanta-contemporary/](http://www.burnaway.org/vivid-memories-atlanta-contemporary/)
- 2017 Nolan, Joe. "Best Interactive Exhibition - Brandon Donahue: Foul Shot at Seed Space"  
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<http://www.tennessean.com/story/life/arts/2017/08/13/sports-art-converge-during-family-day-oz-arts/550370001/>
- 2016 Williams, Patricia. "Mural at Chilhowee Park Emphasizes the Park's History". Knoxnews.  
<http://archive.knoxnews.com/entertainment/life/mural-at-chilhowee-park-emphasizes-the-parks-history-360a1450-edc8-2288-e053-0100007f0e2f-392617841.html>  
Hutson-Hunter, Laura & Nolan, Joe. "Julia Martin Gallery's Gun Violence Exhibit Leads Season's Visual Arts Pack". Nashville Scene. September 15  
<http://www.nashvillescene.com/arts-culture/cover-story/article/20833679/fall-guid>



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[http://www.franklinfavorite.com/features/article\\_1bbc5b66-11a3-5c9f-aedc-72b17d4018c6.html](http://www.franklinfavorite.com/features/article_1bbc5b66-11a3-5c9f-aedc-72b17d4018c6.html)

Purazrang, Megan. "Gallery on the Square prepares for new Wild Summer exhibit". Franklin Favorite. July 07

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