

JENN SMITH

Lives and works in Chicago, IL

EDUCATION

2016 MFA, Painting and Drawing, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL

2001 BS, Studio Art, Illinois State University, Normal, IL

SOLO AND TWO-PERSON EXHIBITIONS

2018 [*Jenn Smith: Divine Ventriloquism*](#) at Apparatus Projects, Chicago, IL

2017 [*Celeste Rapone // Jenn Smith*](#), Julius Caesar, Chicago, IL

*Jenn Smith for [*Western Pole*](#)*, 902 N Western Avenue, Chicago, IL

2016 [*Name in Vain*](#), the Back Room at Kim's Corner Food, Chicago, IL

God Gives Us Food, cornerstore, Chicago, IL

[*51 Books About Christian Puppetry*](#), Flaxman Library, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2018 [*Local Comfort*](#), LVL3 Gallery, Chicago, IL

[*You Don't Always Have To Be Who They Want You To Be, You Know*](#), Baby Blue Gallery, Chicago, IL

[*The Beasts*](#), Circle Contemporary, Chicago, IL

Pocket Object (ongoing traveling exhibition), Juicebox Gallery, Kansas City, MO; Tusk, Chicago, IL; Elephant Gallery, Nashville, TN

[*Got It For Cheap*](#) (ongoing traveling exhibition), Fisher Parrish, Brooklyn, NY; Dateline, Denver, CO; Western Exhibitions, Chicago, IL

[*The Chicago Show*](#), 56 Downing Street, Brooklyn, NY

Delicate Cycle, World's Largest Laundromat, Berwyn, IL

Mail Art Show, Lawrence & Clark, Chicago, IL

[*Winter Romance*](#), Andrew Rafacz Gallery, Chicago, IL

[*Stretch Out The Cramp: A drawing survey from 2017*](#), GreenDoor, Chicago, IL

2017 [*Got It For Cheap*](#), (ongoing traveling exhibition), The Hole, New York, NY; 0-0 Gallery, Los Angeles, CA

[*Image Construction \(From My Friends, with a Little Help\)*](#), IRL Gallery, Cincinnati, OH

[*Fantastic Facade*](#), LVL3 Gallery, Chicago, IL

Netflix and Chill, Dark and Stormy Gallery, Chicago, IL

[*Visible and Permanent*](#), Carrie Secrist Gallery, Chicago, IL

Overview, SAMUEL Gallery, Chicago, IL

Where Did I Go? Where Have I Been?, Space Lab, Indiana University Southeast, New Albany, IN

- 2016** [*iDon't*](#), Slow, Chicago, IL
Girlband, The Lorna Room, Chicago, IL
EXPO 2016 SAIC booth, curated by Edra Soto, EXPO Chicago, Chicago, IL
MFA Show 2016, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL
[*Surface Layers*](#), SAMUEL Gallery, Chicago, IL

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- 2017** Hawbaker, KT. [“Fantastic facades and where to find them”](#), Chicago Tribune, August 31, 2017.
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Carrigan, Margaret. [“Exploring Evangelism: Jenn Smith’s ‘Name in Vain’ at Chicago’s The Back Room”](#) Blouin Artinfo, January 26, 2017.
- 2016** Cardoza, Kerry. [“Art That Simply Won’t: A Review of ‘iDon’t’ at Slow Gallery”](#) Newcity, December 13, 2016.
Cardoza, Kerry. [“From Within, a Quirky Critique of White Midwestern Culture”](#) Newcity, September 2, 2016.
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Callis, Violet. [“Threshold Thought.”](#) *F Newsmagazine*. School of the Art Institute of Chicago, April 26, 2016.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2017 - present

Lecturer, Contemporary Practices, School of the Art Institute of Chicago

2014

Teaching Assistant, Painting and Drawing, School of the Art Institute of Chicago