

## 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 (forthcoming)

**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