

## **Sarah Beth Woods**

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### **Education**

**Master of Fine Arts**, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign 2012

**Bachelor of Fine Arts**, Cum Laude, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL 2005

**Berlin Summer School**, DIY Art Film and Performance, Goldsmiths University of London 2017, Silent Green Kulturquartier, Berlin

### **Awards**

**3AP Artist**, Project support for Hear the Glow of Electric Lights, 3Arts Chicago, IL 2017

**2015/2016 Crossing Boundaries Prize**, Arts+Public Life and Center for the Study of Race, Politics and Culture, University of Chicago

### **Teaching Experience**

**Guest Lecturer in Art**, Wheaton College, Wheaton, IL

Drawing I, August-December, 2018

Sculpture I, January-May 2017; January-May 2019

Drawing I, August-December, 2015; August-December, 2016

Art Survey, August-October, 2016; Figure Drawing I, January-May 2016

**Instructor**, School of Art & Design, Trinity Christian College, Palos Heights, IL

Painting I; Figure Drawing I, August-December, 2015

Drawing I, January-May 2016

**Instructor**, Critical Craft Circle, Smith College, Northampton Massachusetts J-Term January 12-16, 2015 co-taught with Associate Professor of Art Laura A. Kalba.

Investigates the social, political, environmental, aesthetic, and feminist implications of American DIY culture and craft-based contemporary art

**Arts Integration Specialist**, South Chicago Art Center, Hearst Elementary School, Chicago, IL December-May 2015

After school Artist-in-Residence working with Kindergarten through Second grade students using a variety of media including painting, mixed media, and craft with an emphasis placed on collaboration, process and material

## **Professional Experience**

**West Side Arts: Rootwork, Girl Bands, & Activating Public Archives**, part of Making the West Side Conversation Series performance and panel discussion, Jane Addams Hull-House Museum, Chicago, IL Thursday June 15th, 2017

**Lecture**, More Than a Month: Natural Hair Meet up, Oak Park Public Library, Oak Park IL October 16 and November 13, 2016

**Hair Braiding: Practice, Politics and Culture** part of Shared Language: A Community Classroom Exhibition at the Arts Incubator, Chicago IL February 3, 2016

**Considering the Radical Handmade** panel discussion, Woman Made Gallery, Chicago IL, October 3, 2015

**Lecture**, Art and Work Seminar, Dominican University, River Forest, IL, September 23, 2015

**Hair Fair**, Smart Museum of Art, Chicago IL, August, 1 2015

**Feminist Parking Lot**, performance and panel discussion participant, NYU Florence, Italy, April 29-30 2015; University of Illinois at Chicago, May 31, 2014

**75th Anniversary Block Party**, Braids and Nails, Hyde Park Art Center, Chicago, IL September 13, 2014

**UIC Free Art School with Jennifer Reeder** Hair Braiding and nail workshop, University of Illinois at Chicago, July 12, 2014

**Haystack Mountain School of Crafts: Multiple Meanings/Meanings in Multiples**. Instructor Sonya Clark. Deer Isle, ME July 14-25, 2013

**Public Workshop and Lecture**, Pedestrian Projects, Harold Washington College, Chicago, IL October 2012

**Harold Arts Residency**, Chesterhill, OH 2008

## **Selected Exhibitions**

### **Solo**

**BRAID/WORK**, Rootwork Gallery, Chicago, IL 2016;

Bethel College Mishawaka, IN 2019 (Forthcoming)

**Braids&Nails**, Adams Hall exhibition space, Wheaton College, Wheaton, IL 2015

**Bricoleur**, Azimuth Projects, Chicago, IL 2014

**Nails**, Haystack Mountain School of Crafts, Deer Isle, ME 2014

**Trim**, Kunstverein, Coventry University School of Art and Design, Coventry, West Midlands, UK 2012

**Aura of the Inorganic**, Women's Resources Center, Champaign, IL 2011

**A study in Morphology**, Morton College, Cicero, IL 2008

**Revisited Works**, Steven Papageorge, Chicago, IL 2007

**Bello**, DeKalb Area Women's Center, DeKalb, IL 2005

## **Juried**

**Focus: Fiber 2019**, Kent State University Museum, Kent, OH 2019

**ONE**, Cleve Carney Art Gallery, McAninch Arts Center, Glen Ellyn, IL 2017

**Abandoned Margins: Policing the Black Female Body**, Woman Made Gallery, Chicago, IL 2016; **Here+Now** series UICA, Grand Rapids, MI 2017

**Public/Private**, Woman Made Gallery, Chicago, IL 2013

**Love for Sale**, Work: Detroit School of Art and Design exhibition space, University of Michigan, Detroit, MI 2012

**Accepted Knowing: Peer Review**, Figure One exhibition space, Champaign, IL 2011

**Gallery 2009**, Moraine Valley Community College, Palos Hills, IL 2009

**You Rule Me: a show of power**, Heaven Gallery, Chicago, IL 2008

**Sheets, Planes and Pulp: Works on Paper**, Evanston Art Center, Evanston, IL 2007

**Paintings like Drawings**, ARC Gallery, Chicago, IL 2007

## **Group**

**Yellow Book**, Hear the Glow of Electric Lights film screening, CICA Museum, Gimpo-si, South Korea 2018

**Experimental Moving Image**, Hear the Glow of Electric Lights film screening at Genesis Cinema, London May 9, 2018

**Terrain Biennial**, Oak Park, IL 2017

**THE ANNUAL: An Exhibition of New Chicago Art**, Chicago Artists Coalition, September 18-20, 2015

**FEMME-IN**, Woman Made Gallery, Chicago IL performance and panel discussion July 17, 2015

**Esthetic Theory**, Girls Club, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida 2015

**Nails**, MCA Studio: Feminist Parking Lot at the Museum of Contemporary Art Chicago, IL 2015

**Informal Home Economies: The Practice and Politics of Hair Braiding**, South Side Community Art Center, sponsored by the Jane Addams Hull-House Museum Chicago, IL 2014

**Archeospiritist**, Tritriangle, Chicago, IL 2014

**Braids and Nails**, Hip Hop and Punk Feminisms symposium, University of Illinois 2013

**Embody**, Design Cloud Gallery, Chicago, IL 2013

**Methodic Deconstruction**, The Franklin, Chicago, IL 2013

**Fleeting**, Indi Go Artist Co-Op, Champaign, IL 2013

**Pour Some Sugar on Me**, Mischief Night, Hyde Park Art Center, Chicago, IL 2012

**MFA Thesis show**, Krannert Art Museum, Champaign, IL 2012

**Either Once or Twice performance**, Armory Free Theatre, University of Illinois 2012

**Your Stuff in Our Show**, Figure One, Champaign, IL 2011  
**Wish You Were Here 10**, A.I.R. Gallery, Brooklyn, NY 2011  
**Peregrine Papers**, MDW Fair, Geolofts, Chicago, IL 2011  
**Artsplasia**, Co-Prosperity Sphere, Chicago, IL 2011  
**Heads on Poles**, curated by Scott Wolniak and Paul Nudd, Western Exhibitions, Chicago, IL 2011  
**Boneyard Arts Festival**, Graduate Open studios, Champaign, IL 2011  
**All Together Now**, Link Gallery, University of Illinois 2010  
**AbstWACKtion**, Bad Dog Gallery, DeKalb, IL 2009  
**I Know What You Did Last Summer**, Co-Prosperity Sphere, Chicago, IL 2008  
**Summer Group Exhibition**, Contemporary Art Workshop, Chicago, IL 2008  
**Lumb Art**, Splat Flats Annual Summer Show, Chicago, IL 2008  
**Spring Benefit**, Evanston Art Center, Evanston, IL 2008  
**One of One: Prints Like No Other**, Spudnik Press, Chicago, IL 2007  
**Hand Harvested**, TOJO Gallery, Chicago, IL 2007  
**Recent Graduates**, DeKalb Area Women's Center, DeKalb, IL 2006  
**Northern Illinois University BFA Show**, Jack Olsen Gallery, DeKalb, IL 2005

### **Publications** (featured in)

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