

## Matthew Courtney

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### Education

- M.F.A.** 1991 Ceramics, Kent State University  
**B.S.** 1984 Industrial Design, University of the Arts

### Teaching

- 1998 - present **Adjunct** The University of Pennsylvania, School of Design, Philadelphia PA, Throwing I, Throwing II, Clay Sculpture, Studio/Ceramic History Seminar
- 2000 - present **Senior Lecturer** University of the Arts, College of Art and Design, Philadelphia PA, Core Studies Object/Environment, Foundation 3D Design I & II
- 2011 - 2016 **Adjunct** Temple University, Tyler School of Art, Philadelphia PA, 3D Foundation Principles (Crafts Process and Mold Making segment)
- 2011 - present **Adjunct** Drexel University, Westphal College of Media Arts and Design, Philadelphia PA, Design III
- 2014 **Adjunct** The College of New Jersey, School of Arts and Communication, Ceramics
- 2004 - present **Instructor** The University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia PA, Art and Architecture Summer Studios at Penn, High School Summer Program
- 2004 **Adjunct** Drexel University, Westphal College of Media Arts and Design, Philadelphia PA, Design III

### Grants and Fellowships

- 2017 **Center for Emerging Visual Artists Fellowship Finalist**
- 2016 **2016 Meyer Family Award for Contemporary Art**
- 1998 **Hunt Art Futures Program** Teaching Fellowship, Administered by The Philadelphia Museum of Art, Philadelphia, PA
- 1993 **Ohio Arts Council** Individual Artists Fellowship, Columbus, OH
- 1990 **Jerome Foundation** Emerging Artists, Collegetown, MN

### Solo Exhibitions

- 2017 **New Work** House Gallery, Philadelphia PA (Scheduled for September 2017)  
**Divergences** Cerulean Gallery, Philadelphia PA (Scheduled for January 2017)
- 2016 **12th Annual Betsy Meyer Memorial Exhibition** and Meyer Family Award for Contemporary Art, Main Line Art Center Haverford, PA
- 2015 **Reflections from the West**, Lanzhou City University, Lanzhou China, 3 person show
- 2014 **On the Precipice** Cerulean Gallery, Philadelphia PA, two person show  
**Sculptural Considerations** Community Clay Center, Plymouth NH
- 2012 **In Collaboration** Georgia Southwestern State University, Americus GA. This show was part of three shows in three galleries. One was a collaboration between John Parris and Matthew Courtney along with solo shows by John Parris and Matthew Courtney
- 2010 **Old City Windows** Artist and Craftsman Supply, Philadelphia, PA, Window Installation, Sponsored by the Old City Business Collective and part of the Design Philadelphia celebration
- 2002 **Recent work** HACC Gallery, Harrisburg, PA
- 2000 **Recent Work** Nexus Foundation for Today's Art, Philadelphia, PA  
**Challenge Exhibition** Fleisher Art Memorial, Philadelphia, PA, Jurors: Darrel Sewell, Michael Olszewski
- 1996 **Recent Work** The Clay Studio, Philadelphia, PA, Juror: Michael Lucero  
**Mineral Spirits** In Collaboration, Akron, OH
- 1995 **Small Works** Borders Books, Philadelphia, PA
- 1994 **Gist** The Sculpture Center, Cleveland, OH
- 1992 **New Art From the Region** Spaces, Cleveland, OH, Curator: Judith Saloman  
**Clay** Jessica Berwind Gallery, Philadelphia, PA, In Participation with the National Conference on Education for the Ceramic Arts (NCECA)
- 1987 **Recent Work** The Clay Studio, Philadelphia, PA

## Group Exhibitions

- 2018 **Surreally** NoBA Spaces, Bala Cynwyd PA
- 2017 **The Good, the Bad and the Ugly** Painted Bride Art Center, Philadelphia PA  
<https://paintedbride.org/events/good-bad-ugly/>
- 2016 **Post Painted Pottery** Lanzhou City University, Lanzhou China
- CAMD Faculty Exhibition** Kimmel Center, Philadelphia PA
- Shaping Minds: Philadelphia's Clay Mentors** Leonard Pearlstein Gallery Philadelphia PA <http://drexel.edu/pearlsteingallery/>
- The Clay Studio National America** The Clay Studio, Philadelphia PA [www.theclaystudio.org](http://www.theclaystudio.org)  
South Tower Gallery at Park Towne Place, Philadelphia PA
- 2015 **Blast Off** Cross MacKenzie Gallery, Washington DC <http://www.crossmackenzie.com>
- 2014 **Pervasive Clay** Charles Addams Gallery, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia PA
- 2010 **Clay @ Penn: Declarations** Fox Art Gallery, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia PA, (catalogue), In Participation with the National Conference on Education for the Ceramic Arts (NCECA)
- Artist/Educator** Rowan University Art Gallery, Glassboro, NJ, Curator: Heather Mae Erickson, (catalogue), In Participation with the National Conference on Education for the Ceramic Arts (NCECA)
- Mentors** University of the Arts, Philadelphia, PA, Invitational, Curators: Liz Beth Stewart and Jim Makins, In Participation with the National Conference on Education for the Ceramic Arts (NCECA)
- 2007 **Clay @ Penn 2007: Invitational**, Addams Hall Gallery, Philadelphia, PA, (catalogue)
- 2004 **Clay @ Penn: Artists Choose Artists** Addams Hall Gallery, Philadelphia, PA
- 2002 **Strength in Numbers** Green Hill Center for North Carolina Art, Greensboro, NC
- 2001 **Precious** Nexus: Foundation for today's Art, Philadelphia, PA
- 2000 **Nexus Members** The Philadelphia Foundation, Philadelphia, PA
- Current Nexus Members Show** Nexus: Foundation for Today's Art, Philadelphia, PA
- Duality**, The Clay Studio, Philadelphia, PA
- 1999 **SIX: New Members** Nexus: Foundation for today's Art, Philadelphia, PA
- 1998 **Artists Choose Artists** Lake George Arts Project, Lake George, NY, Curator: Bruno La Verdere
- 1997 **Studio Days Invitational** Chester Springs Studio, Chester Springs, PA, Curator: Kirk Mangus
- Craft Forms Wayne Art Center**, Wayne, PA, Jurors: Liz Beth Stewart and Sharon Church
- Made at the Clay Studio Cheltenham Art Center**, Cheltenham, PA, Curator: Jimmy Clark

## Residencies and Memberships

- 2017 **Dunhuang Center for Creativity**, 2 month Artist Residency Lanzhou City University. Lanzhou, China
- 2015 **Dunhuang Center for Creativity**, 2 month Artist Residency Lanzhou City University. Lanzhou, China
- 2014 **Kent State Blossom Program** Visiting Artist Kent State University Kent OH
- 1999-2001 **Nexus Foundation for Today's Art** Philadelphia, PA, Artist Run Co-op
- 1991-1994 **Art Without Walls** Cleveland, OH, Artist Run Co-op
- 1990 **Saint Johns Pottery** Three month Residency, Collegeville, MN
- 1985-1987 **The Clay Studio** President of the Resident Artists, Philadelphia, PA
- 2013-Present **Inliqued** Current Member, Philadelphia, PA
- 2013-2014 **Philadelphia Sculpture Gym** Current Member, Philadelphia, PA

## Bibliography

- 2017 **Raymond Rorke** Living as Art, Cleaver Magazine #20 <https://www.cleavermagazine.com/living-as-art-by-matthew-courtney/>
- 1999 **Robin Rice** "Members Only," *Philadelphia City Paper*, Philadelphia, PA, December 16
- Ed Sozansky** "Three Avenues of instinct and imagination," *The Philadelphia inquirer*, Philadelphia, PA, February 5
- 1998 **Suzanne Seay** "Local artists choose their favorites for gallery exhibit," *The Post Star*, Glen Falls, NY, January 19
- 1997 **Kirk Mangus**, "Installation of Ceramic Sculpture," *Networks in Ceramics*, published by the Helsinki University of Art and Design, Edited by Tiina Verajankora and Annu Ahonen, January 1
- 1995 **Robin Rice** "High Contrast," *Philadelphia City Paper*, Philadelphia, PA, November 23
- 1994 **Dale Hilton** "Up Front: Matthew Courtney," *Ceramics Monthly*, volume 42, number 7, January 9
- 1994 **Steven Lit** "Sprucing Up the City with Public Art: Display at Spaces Lively and Touching," *The Cleveland Plain Dealer*, Cleveland, OH, May 12
- 1994 **Dale Hilton** "Formal Elements of 'Gist' Make Strong Statement," *The Sculpture Center Quarterly News Letter*, Cleveland, OH (Winter)
- 1994 **Helen Cullinan** "Portrait: 'Courtney Makes Point With Exhibit of Ceramics'," *The Cleveland Plain Dealer*, Cleveland, OH, February 6

### Lectures and Panels

- 2015 **Temple University's Tyler School of Art**, Residency in China
- 2007 & 2010 **University of the Arts** Philadelphia, PA, Lecture and Critique of Graduate Ceramics
- 1993 **Erie Museum of Art** Erie, PA, Panelist, "Narration and Metaphor"
- 2002 **Harrisburg Area Community College** Harrisburg, PA, Artists Lecture

### Exhibition Curator

- 1998 **Clay on the Fringe: 16 Installations** The Clay Studio Annex, Philadelphia, PA, Part of the 3rd Annual Philadelphia Fringe Festival, Curator: Matthew Courtney

### Juror

- 2009 **Doris Weiss Memorial Scholarship for Art Majors** Philadelphia Community College, Philadelphia, PA