

# Courtney McCracken

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## EDUCATION

2016 Master of Fine Arts Candidate, Sculpture, Lamar Dodd School of Art, University of Georgia, Athens, GA

2016 Certificate in Creativity and Innovation, University of Georgia, Athens, GA

2013 BFA, Sculpture, Summa Cum Laude, with Distinction, University of North Florida, Jacksonville, FL

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2015-2016 Instructor of Record, Introduction to Sculpture, University of Georgia, Athens, GA

2015-2016 Gallery Coordinator, William Thompson Gallery, Athens, GA

2015-2016 Georgia Sewn Board Committee, facilitating the first annual local garment industry Expo, Athens GA

2015-2016 Visiting Artist & Scholar Selection Committee, University of Georgia, Athens, GA

2015-2016 Co-Founder of Athens Free School, a learning network by and for the community, Athens, GA

2015 Intern, Creating education material on sustainable fashion, Community, Athens, GA

2015 Teaching Assistant: Conceptual Drawing, Instructor: Benjamin Britton, University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia

2015 Creative Consultant, Facilitated by UGA Terry College of Businesses, implementing Design Thinking towards advance technology, Printpack: Flexible Packaging Company, Atlanta, GA

2013-2015 Graduate Assistant, University of Georgia, Athens, GA

2014 Radio Disc Jockey, Elsewhere Radio, WUAG Greensboro (disc jockey and interviewing experience)

2011-2013 Sculpture Technician, University of North Florida, Jacksonville, FL (foundry, metal shop, and wood shop)

2011-2013 President, University of North Florida Sculpture Guild

2012 Events Coordinator, University of North Florida Fine Arts Festival Committee, Jacksonville, FL

2011 Sculpture Apprentice, Jenny Hager, Jacksonville Beach, FL

## EXHIBITIONS

2016 (Upcoming) *Whole Milk*, Rogue Space, New York, New York

2016 *Master of Fine Arts Thesis Exhibition*, Georgia Museum of Art, Athens, GA

2016 *Preservationist*, Dodd Galleries, Athens, GA

2016 *Georgia Sewn*: Accompanying the first annual local garment industry Expo, One Press Place, Athens GA

2016 *Wunderkindred*, Mammal Gallery, Atlanta

2015 **Solo Exhibition**, Knot for Sale, Glass Gallery, Athens, GA

2015 *Paint the Town Red*, Dodd Galleries, Athens, Georgia

2015 *Round About*, William Thompson Gallery, Athens, GA

2015 *The Exquisite*, Dodd Galleries, Athens, GA

2014 *DO IT UGA*, Dodd Galleries, Athens, GA

2014 *Critical Practice*, Dodd Galleries, Athens, GA

2014 *Making Masters*, Juried Exhibition, Madison Museum of Fine Art, Madison, GA

2014 **Two-Person Exhibition**, *Redefining Ritual*, Artspace, Raleigh, NC (with Tracy Spencer-Stonestreet)(catalogue)

2014 *Mending: New Uses for Old Traditions*, Juried Exhibition, UNCW Art Gallery, Wilmington, NC

2013 *Crossfire*, Laticeworks Collective, Athens, GA

2013 *Fresh Milk*, Dodd Galleries, Athens, GA

2013 *Double Space*, Dodd Galleries, Athens, GA

2013 *Athens Art Crawl*, Juried Exhibition, Artini's Art Lounge, Athens, GA

(Juror: Kendal Buster, Professor of Art, Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA)

2013 *Arial Roots*, William Thompson Gallery, Athens, GA

2013 *Interstice*, BFA Thesis Exhibition, CoRK Artist District, Jacksonville, FL (with Olivia Carr and Amanda Campbell)

2013 *Student Juried Exhibition*, National Conference on Cast Iron Art, Sloss Furnaces, Birmingham, AL

(Juror: Leila Hamdan, Collections Manager at the National Ornamental Metal Museum, Memphis, TN)

2013 *Big Red Art Show*, Members Juried Exhibition, St. Augustine Art Association, St. Augustine, FL, honorable mention

(Juror: Don Trousdell, Artist, St. Augustine, FL)

2012 **Solo Exhibition**, *For Your Pleasure*, Victori Productions, Jacksonville, FL

2012 *Artistic Migrations*, Art and Design Students Abroad, University of North Florida Gallery of Art, Jacksonville, FL

2012 **Solo Exhibition**, *Entangled*, Bold Bean Coffee Roaster, Jacksonville, FL (curated by Staci Bu Shea)(catalogue)

2012 *Student Art Annual*, University of North Florida Gallery of Art, Jacksonville, FL

(Juror: Carrie Ann Baade, Professor of Art, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL)

2012 *INSTALLATIONS!*, North Florida Sculptors Group, Everbank Building, Jacksonville, FL (catalogue)

2012 *Under No Form*, CoRK Artist District, Jacksonville, FL

2012 *Synapse*, CoRK Artist district, Jacksonville, FL (in collaboration with 9 artists and engineers, 5,000 sq. ft.)

2011 *Wind Weaver and the Whirling Wheel: A Tale of Wolfbat Romance*, Museum of Contemporary Art Jacksonville, Jacksonville, FL (performance in collaboration with John Handcock, John Hitchcock, Dennis McNett, and the University of North Florida Art and Design Department)

2011 *Wake Up*, University of North Florida Robinson Theater, Jacksonville, FL (performance in collaboration with percussionist Gary Donald, and poet Grant Kittrell)

2011 *Student Art Annual*, University of North Florida Gallery of Art, Jacksonville, FL

(Juror: Joe Forkan, Professor of Art, California State University Fullerton, Fullerton, CA)

2011 *Art Walk*, Chamblin's Bookmine, Downtown Jacksonville, FL

## **CURATORIAL PROJECTS**

2016 Georgia Sewn: Accompanying the first annual local garment industry Expo, One Press Place, Athens GA

2015 Gazebo: New Works by Devin Balara, William Thompson Gallery, Athens, GA

2015 Round About: New Works by LDSOA Masters Candidates, William Thompson Gallery, Athens, GA

## **HONORS & AWARDS**

2015 Teaching Assistantship, Lamar Dodd School of Art, University of Georgia, Athens, GA

2015 Painting & Drawing Throne Residency, Lamar Dodd School of Art, University of Georgia, Athens, GA

2015 Art Odyssey Trip to Dallas Texas, Lamar Dodd School of Art, University of Georgia, Athens, GA

2013 Graduate Dean Award, University of Georgia

2013 Sculpture Special Recognition Award, Department of Arts and Science, University of North Florida

2012 Judy Eisen Scholarship, Summer Study Abroad, University of North Florida, Rome, Italy

2012 Lazzara Scholarship, Department of Arts and Sciences, University of North Florida

2008 Florida Bright Futures Scholarship

## **PRESENTATIONS**

2016 *Preservationists: Creating & Maintaining a Responsible & Sustainable Studio Practice*, Dodd Galleries, Athens, GA

2014 Artist Lecture, Elsewhere Living Museum, Greensboro, NC

2012 Aluminum Casting Workshop, Fine Arts Festival, University of North Florida, Jacksonville, FL

2011 Guest Docent, *Wind Weaver and the Whirling Wheel: A Tale of Wolfbat Romance*, MOCA, Jacksonville, FL

## **BIBLIOGRAPHY**

Barbette Houser, "MFA Candidates Really Deliver at the Georgia Museum of Art," *Flagpole*, April 10, 2016

Holly Robert, "& Artist Spotlight: Courtney McCracken," *The Red & Black*, March 1, 2016

Laura Pendleton. "Athens Free School," *My Athens Is*, February 29, 2016

Nina Guzman. "Georgia Sewn Makes a Sustainable Fashion Statement," *Flagpole*, January 27, 2016

Jianna Justice. "Athens Free School Offers Classes for Creatives," *The Red & Black*, January 15, 2016

Dave Marr. "Natalie Chanin, Georgia Sewn expo to highlight several days of sustainable fashion,"  
*Athens Banner-Herald*, January 28, 2016

Sarah Richtor. "Redefining Women's Roles: New art exhibit showcases strides of women over past 50 years," *Encore*,  
March 2014

Katie Hosmer. "Artist Encourages Viewers to Destroy Her Delicate Sculptures," *My Modern Met*, June 2013

Debra Murphy Ph.D. "Inspiration from Distant Lands," *Arbus*, September/October 2012

Bob Self. "Installing 'Installations!' Exhibit", *The Florida Times Union*, May 17, 2012

Adelaide Corey-Disch. "Energizing Spaces," *EU Jacksonville*, April 2012

Madeleine Wagner. "Art Perspectives," *Arbus*, March/April 2012

Bobby King, "Wind Weaver and the Whirling Wheel- Art Performance at MOCA," Jacksonville.com, March 3, 2011