

William Keihn (b. 1983, Indiana)

Education

2018-2020 Master of Fine Arts
Studio Art, Photography
School of the Art Institute of Chicago
Chicago, IL

2003-2007 Bachelor of Fine Arts
Major: Sculpture
Herron School of Art and Design, Indiana University
Indianapolis, IN

Solo Exhibitions

2017 “Trapdoor”
Richmond Plaza Metaspace
San Francisco, CA

2014 “The Poster is the Show”
Disjecta
Portland, OR

Duo Exhibitions

2013 “Real F.S.”
Halle der Vollständigen Wahrheit
Cologne, DE

“Hate Expo”
Domy Books
Houston, TX

2012 “They Just Stood There”
Vacation
San Francisco, CA

Group Exhibitions

- 2020** MFA Thesis Show
Sullivan Gallery at School of the Art Institute of Chicago
Chicago IL
- 2019** "Foto Mercado" Ace Hotel
Chicago, IL
- "american fine arts pt 7: reprise: an allegory for america"
ArtMovementLA
Los Angeles, CA
- 2018** "american fine arts pt 6: Life on Mars"
Current Projects
Miami, FL
- Chicago Art Book Fair
Chicago Athletic Association
Chicago, IL
- "american fine arts pt 5: livin' a dream reality"
Marvin Gardens
New York, NY
- "american fine arts pt 4: Lost & Found"
2351 N. Milwaukee Ave.
Chicago, IL
- "american fine arts pt 3: the fool's journey"
Sugar Space
Indianapolis, IN
- "american fine arts pt 3: the fool's journey"
Anytime Dept.
Cincinnati, OH
- "american fine arts pt 3: the fool's journey"
Fort Houston
Nashville, TN

“american fine arts pt 3: the fool’s journey”
G-CADD
St. Louis, MO

“american fine arts pt 3: the fool’s journey”
Maple Street Construct
Omaha, NE

“american fine arts pt 3: the fool’s journey”
Brit & Alex Lindsay
Saint Paul, MN

“american fine arts pt 3: the fool’s journey”
HAW Contemporary
Kansas City, MO

“american fine arts pt 3: the fool’s journey”
Living Arts
Tulsa, OK

“american fine arts pt 3: the fool’s journey”
Territory OKC
Oklahoma City, OK

“american fine arts pt 3: the fool’s journey”
BS Projects
Houston, TX

“american fine arts pt 2: on the tip of my tongue”
CLOACA Projects
San Francisco, CA

“american fine arts pt 1: life’s not fair and people don’t act right”
BBQLA
Los Angeles, CA

“Hospitality House Auction”
Minnesota Street Project
San Francisco, CA

2016	Untitled Bookish Van Baltimore, MD
2013	“Ghastly Wave” Stumptown Portland, OR
	“Captcha Group Show” Captcha Chicago, IL
	“Captcha Group Show” Captcha Los Angeles, CA
	“Captcha Group Show” Captcha Santiago, CL
2010	“Nasty Punks” Herme Gallery Tokyo, JP
	“Art of Total Trash” A440 Gallery San Francisco, CA
2008	Untitled 608C Haight San Francisco, CA
	Selected Performances
2015	European Tour Various
2013	North American Tour Various

- 2013** “Quiet Night of Performance”
Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles
Los Angeles, CA
- 2006** Ghastly Cave Community Performances
Indianapolis, IN
- Publications**
- 2020** *School of the Art Institute of Chicago Photography MFA*
Publication, SAIC
- 2017** *Trapdoor*, photographs by William Keihn, introduction
by Mike Donovan, RPM/Norfolk Press
- 2020** *Boooooooooom!*, “William Keihn: Trapdoor”
- 2019** *Tiny Mixtapes*, “2010s: Favorite 50 Cover Art of the Decade”
- 2017** *NPR Music Blog*, “Feel The Mysterious Ennui Of The Peacers’
Psychedelic ‘Staying Home’”
- Urban Outfitters UO Blog*, “Artist Editions: William Keihn X
UO”
- 2016** *Southern Glossary*, “William Keihn”
- 2014** *Juxtapoz Magazine*, “Chris Johanson’s ‘Quiet Music Festival of
Portland’, June 27-28, 2014”
- Huffington Post*, “‘Quiet Music Festival Of Portland’ Is The
Music Festival For Everyone Who Hates Music Festivals”
- 2013** *The Bold Italic*, “You’ll Never Believe What Vacation Is Hiding
in Their Basement”
- Terminal Boredom*, “William Keihn (Interviewed)”
- 2012** *Chicago Reader*, “Best of Chicago 2012: Best Album Packaging”
- Houston Press*, “Don’t Miss “Hate Expo” at Domy Books”

- 2011** *Juxtapoz Magazine*, “Feature: A Conversation With William Keihn”
- 2010** *San Francisco Weekly*, “Q&A With Album Artist William Keihn”

Awards/Recognition

- 2020** Graduating Student Leadership Award Honorable Mention,
School of the Art Institute of Chicago
- 2018-2020** New Artist Society Scholarship,
School of the Art Institute of Chicago
Full Tuition (Approx. \$100,000)
- 2012** Chicago Reader: Best of Chicago 2012 - Best Album Packaging

Lectures/Talks/Panels

- 2020** MFA Admissions Panel, School of the Art Institute of Chicago
Chicago, IL
- 2019** MFA Thesis Lecture, School of the Art Institute of Chicago
Chicago, IL
- Graduate Artist Talk, School of the Art Institute of Chicago
Chicago, IL
- 2018** Panelist, Putty, SSP
Indianapolis, IN
- 2017** Gallery Talk, Richmond Plaza Metaspace
San Francisco, CA

Curatorial

- 2019-2020** Parlor Room Visiting Artist Program
School of the Art Institute of Chicago

Chicago, IL

Program Guests:

Ariella Azoulay, Nydia Blas, Karel Císař, Doug DuBois,
Jason Fulford, Sibylle Friche, Susan Lipper, Mark Steinmetz

Residencies

2016

15th Street Middletown Residency
Muncie, IN

2010-2014

Castle Face Records Artist in Residence
San Francisco, CA

Collections

The Art Institute of Chicago
Chicago, IL

Joan Flasch Artists' Book Collection
Chicago, IL
The Chicago Artists' Archive
Chicago, IL

Private Collection of John Waters
San Francisco, CA

Teaching Experience

2022-Present

Ohio University, School of Art + Design
Athens, OH
Adjunct Professor

2520 Typography
1800 Design Studio

2021-2023

Eastern Gateway Community College
Steubenville, OH

Adjunct Instructor

115 Digital Photography

2018-2020

School of the Art Institute of Chicago
Chicago, IL
Graduate Teaching Assistant

3002 Large-Format Camera
2009 Medium-Format Camera
2900 Craft and Object in Contemporary Art
2011 Black and White
1001 Introduction to Photographic Image Making

2005-2006

Ghastly Cave
Indianapolis, IN
Workshop Instructor

Screen-Printing