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## **Education**

- 2008 MFA, Rhode Island School of Design
- 2006 BFA, Washington University in St. Louis

## **Exhibition Record**

### Solo Exhibitions

- 2017 GRIN Gallery, Providence, RI (forthcoming)
- 2016 *High Bottom*, Actual Size LA, Los Angeles, CA
- 2015 *30 Special Colors*, Curated by Jamilee Lacy, Greenlease Gallery, Rockhurst University, Kansas City, MO  
*Anytime Concept*, Vox Populi, Philadelphia, PA  
*A Platform For Traits*, Curated by Jamilee Lacy, PC-Galleries, Providence College, Providence, RI
- 2014 *Hot Salad*, 186 Carpenter, Providence, RI
- 2011 *Success Story*, Reilly Gallery, Providence College, Providence, RI

### Group Exhibitions

- 2016 UNTITLED Art Fair, GRIN Gallery, Booth C24, Miami Beach, FL  
*[Old/New] Psychedelic Providence*, curated by Jamilee Lacy, Tiger Strikes Asteroid, Chicago, IL  
*The 2016 deCordova Biennial*, deCordova Sculpture Park and Museum, Lincoln, MA  
*Ground Rules*, curated by Corey Oberlander and Lindsay Stapleton, Sugar Gallery, Fayetteville, Arkansas
- 2015 *Improvised Showboat #7: Command-Z*, curated by Sharon Butler, Lauren Britton, and Zachary Keating, 55 Washington Street, New York, NY.  
*RISCA Fellowship Exhibition*, Dorrance H. Hamilton Gallery, Salve Regina University, Newport, RI
- 2014 *From here to there: Providence College Studio Art Faculty Showcase*, Hunt-Cavanagh Gallery, Providence, RI  
*Ginny Casey and Heather Leigh McPherson*, Tompkins Projects, Brooklyn, NY (Two-person exhibition)  
*About The Body*, 1989 Gallery, Larchmont, NY, curated by Lauren Britton Swell, GRIN Gallery, Providence, RI
- 2013 *Drunk Tank Pink*, curated by Benjamin Sutton, Field Projects, New York, NY  
*Eastern Argus: One Hundred Eyes*, curated by Timothy Wilson, TNC Gallery, New York, NY  
*Radius*, Keeseh Studios, Providence, RI, curated by Bunny Harvey
- 2011 *Faculty Exhibition*, Reilly Gallery, Providence College, Providence, RI
- 2010 *Full Disclosure*, Tompkins Projects, Brooklyn, NY

- 2008 *PC Studio Faculty Exhibition*, Providence College Galleries, Providence, RI  
*Annual Graduate Thesis Exhibition*, Rhode Island Convention Center, Providence, RI  
*Parallel Realities: Artist, Writer, Viewer*, Sol Koffler Gallery, Providence, RI  
*fear/less*, Sol Koffler Gallery, Providence, RI  
*Masters of Fine Arts: Points of Convergence*, College Art Association Annual Exhibition, The Gallery at UTA, Arlington, TX.
- 2007 *Three Painters*, Installation at One Financial Plaza, Providence, RI.  
*Eating the Sands of Time*, Knew Gallery, Washington, DC  
*Tyler/RISD Exchange*, Tyler School of Art Gallery, Temple University, Philadelphia, PA

### **Lectures and Presentations**

- 2017 Artist Talk, "Heather Leigh McPherson and Theresa Gantz," deCordova Sculpture Park and Museum, January 28, 2017.
- 2015 Gallery Talk. Public program for *30 Special Colors*. November 5, 2015.
- 2014 Gallery Talk, "Talking Shop," presented with Lauren Britton, Hunt-Cavanagh Gallery, Providence College. Public program for *From Here to There: Providence College Studio Art Faculty Showcase*. October 2, 2014.  
 Gallery Talk for *Hot Salad*, 186 Carpenter, Providence, RI. April 23, 2014.
- 2013 Guest Critic, end-of-semester reviews, Brandeis University Post-Baccalaureate Program in Studio Art. December 8, 2013.
- 2012 Guest Critic, "Experiments in Drawing," Rhode Island School of Design Painting Department. February 24 and March 2, 2012.
- 2011 Visiting Artist Lecture, Alfred University School of Art and Design, March 3, 2011.  
 Gallery Talk for *Success Story*, Reilly Gallery, Providence College, February 2011.
- 2008 Guest Speaker, Brown University, Modern Media and Culture Department, November 2008.

### **Awards, Grants and Residencies**

- 2016 Artist Residency, Kingman ArtHub, Kingman, AZ, March 7-April 15.
- 2015 CAFR Grant, Providence College Committee on Aid to Faculty Research  
 Rhode Island State Council on the Arts, 2015 Merit Fellowship in Painting
- 2014 Artist Residency, The Wassaic Project, Wassaic, NY, May 2-31.
- 2013 CAFR Grant, Providence College Committee on Aid to Faculty Research
- 2007 Graduate Award of Excellence, Rhode Island School of Design, Graduate Studies
- 2006 Commencement Speaker, Washington University in St. Louis School of Art  
 John T. Milliken Foreign Travel Scholarship recipient, Washington University in St. Louis School of Art
- 2004 Irving L. Sorger Award in Core, Washington University in St. Louis School of Art

## Bibliography

- 2015 Suzanne Volmer, "Climate Change in Providence, 2015: Fresh Curatorial and Artistic Perspectives," *Artscope*, January/February, 2015.
- 2014 Bill Van Siclen, "PC Exhibit Showcases Faculty Work," *Providence Journal*, September 25, 2014.  
Lauren Britton, "Heather Leigh McPherson," *Field Projects Interviews*, August 2014. <http://www.fieldprojectsgallery.com/interviews/>  
Anya Ventura, "Heather Leigh McPherson: Hot Salad," *Art New England* July/August, 2014. 84.  
Greg Cook, "Razzle-dazzle and bedazzled: McPherson's 'Hot Salad' and Wester's 'DISCOurse #1: Pinup,'" *The Providence Phoenix*, April 30, 2014.
- 2013 Sharon Butler, "Images: Heather Leigh McPherson," *Two Coats of Paint* (blog). November 17, 2014, 8:50 am. <http://www.twocoatsofpaint.com/2013/11/images-heather-mcpherson.html>

## Publications as Author

- 2015 "Interview: Matthew King and Heather Leigh McPherson," GRIN gallery (website and exhibition catalog). September 19, 2015, 4:51 pm. <http://grinprovidence.com/news/interview-matthew-king-and-heather-leigh-mcpherson.html>
- 2014 "Miami, Part III: Heather Leigh McPherson attends a BOMB discussion, Untitled," *Two Coats of Paint* (blog). December 11, 2014, 8:25 am. <http://www.twocoatsofpaint.com/2014/12/miami-part-iii-heather-leigh-mcpherson.html>  
"Miami, Part II: Heather Leigh McPherson reports on NADA," *Two Coats of Paint* (blog). December 7, 2014, 6:30 pm. <http://www.twocoatsofpaint.com/2014/12/miami-part-ii-heather-leigh-mcpherson.html>  
Catalog Introduction, "Surprising Realities: The Art of Science at Providence College," Hunt-Cavanagh Gallery, January 21-March 21, 2014.

## Academic Positions

- 2009- Present  
Associate Professor, Department of Art and Art History, Providence College (tenure conferred 2015)
- 2008- 2009  
Special Lecturer, Department of Art and Art History, Providence College