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Melissa Leandro

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EDUCATION

- 2015 Oxbow School of the Arts. Summer Program: Free Clay.
Saugatuck, MI.
- 2014 M.F.A, Candidate, Fiber & Material Studies.
School of the Art Institute of Chicago (SAIC). IL.
- 2013 Advance Sewing Course, (Three 8-week sessions). Singer
Factory Distributor. Chicago IL.
- 2012 B.F.A, Emphasis in Fiber Material Studies.
School of the Art Institute of Chicago (SAIC). IL.
- 2011 Oxbow School of the Arts. Summer Program: Papermaking.
Saugatuck, MI.
- 2008 Miami Dade College, New World School of the Arts. Dual
enrollment in Visual Arts

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2015 *Selected Work*. President/Provost office, School of the Art
Institute of Chicago IL.
Recuerdos de Un Paseo. Wright Museum of Art. Beloit
College, Beloit, Wisconsin
- 2014 *Explosiones Locales*. Autotelic Studios, Chicago, IL.
Pequenos Pasos, Intelligentsia, Chicago IL.
New Work-Woman's History Month. Sulzer Regional Library.
- 2012 *Rooftop Flag Installation: Winter Artist*. Lillstreet Art
Center, Chicago IL.

SELECTED EXHIBITIONS

- 2017 *Topographical Drift*, Andrew Rafacz Gallery. Chicago, IL
- 2016 *Que Pasa USA*, La Esquina Gallery. Kansas city, MO
New Work, Sullivan Galleries. Chicago, IL
The Annual, Paddle8. Chicago Artists Coalition. Chicago, IL
Doc6 Collective. Design and Art series #9. Chicago, IL
International Young Textile Art Triennial. The Central
Museum of Textiles in Łódź Poland. {catalogue}
Present Standard, Chicago Cultural Center, Chicago, IL
- 2015 *[But Three's A Crowd]*, Efrain Lopez Gallery, Chicago, IL
Mom & Pops. Arts Incubator, University of Chicago,
Chicago, IL.
Visual Arts Exhibition: Luminarts Cultural Foundation.
Union League, Chicago, IL.
Dimensions of an Artist. Leroy Neiman Center, School of the
Art Institute of Chicago IL.
Leandro & Amaral Snow -New Works. The Franklin, Chicago IL.
Over Under: Lula Walls. Lula Cafe, Chicago, IL.
- 2014 *Transcending Boundaries: Fiber Artists*. Bridgeport Art
Center. Chicago, IL. {Chicago Artist Month}

- 57th Annual Beloit and Vicinity. Wright Museum of Art. Beloit College, Beloit, Wisconsin {catalogue}
 One Foot x One Foot. VP Fiber Arts Club. University of Missouri, Columbia
 Small Works. National Association of Women Artists. New York, NY.
 "Lilliputians March" Small Works Exhibition. Purdue University Galleries. West Lafayette, Indiana
 FLY, Flag Installation. Gallery 400, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL.
 Small works: online exhibition. Todd Art Gallery. Middle Tennessee State University.
- 2013 Group Exhibition. Stairway Studios. Chicago IL. {Featured for Chicago Open Studios}
 Art of it ALL. Shy RABBIT Contemporary Arts. Pagosa Springs, Colorado {catalogue}
 54th Annual Beloit & Vicinity. Wright Museum of Art, Beloit College. Beloit, Wisconsin {catalogue}
 Continue: Recovering after sexual assault. Both sides Gallery. Pilsen, Chicago IL.
 International Young Textile Art Triennial. The Central Museum of Textiles in Łódź Poland. {catalogue}
 ArtWork6. Sullivan Galleries, 33 South State, 7th floor. Chicago IL.
- 2012 Young Blood: Homecoming. ArtSeen Gallery. Miami, FL.
 Weave Maker Pro. The Plains Project Gallery. Chicago IL.
- 2011 Shape, Shift, Substitute. Advanced Fibers. Tom Robinson Gallery. Chicago, IL.
 BFA Fall Undergraduate Exhibit. The School of the Art Institute of Chicago. IL.
 Young Blood- New World School of the Arts. Flagler Art Space. Miami, Florida.
 Chain Letter, Golden Parachutes Gallery. Berlin, Germany.
 Ingrained: Arraigado. Curated personal art exhibit. Chicago, IL.
- 2010 Art Basel: Natural Selection: Coconut Grove Arts Festival. Art Basel, Miami, Florida
 Young Blood- New World School of the Arts. Artseen Gallery. Miami, Florida.
- 2009 Gifted: "I have brought you a small gift". Mess Hall Space. Chicago, IL.
 ArtBash: SAIC. Group Performance, Devout no.4. Betty Rymer. Chicago, IL.

PRESS

- 2016 MFA Edition, No.129 issue, New American Paintings. Open Studio Press. Boston, MA.
 The Collective Gap: Que Pasa USA, Charlotte Street Foundation. Kansas city, MO
 Featured Project: Yearbook TextielLab, Textiel Museum, Tilburg, The Netherlands.

- "Present Standard" Review, CRITICS' PICKS. ArtForum Magazine.
- Good looking: A survey of contemporary Latino art. Cultural Center. {Lori Waxman}. Chicago Tribune.
- 2015 [BUT] THREE'S A CROWD at Efrain Lopez Gallery, Elnuevodia, Puerto Rico
- [BUT] THREE'S A CROWD at Efrain Lopez Gallery, ArtViewer, Antwerp, Belgium
- Mom & Pops Review, Arts Incubator. NewCity Art. Chicago, IL.
- Featured Artist, Other Peoples Pixels. {Stacia Yeapanis} Chicago, IL.
- Dimensions of an Artist Grant: Feature FNews Magazine. (SAIC). Chicago, IL.
- Dimensions of an Artist Exhibition: Video Interview, EXtv. (SAIC). Chicago, IL.
- Textile Technology Research Group Presentations: Shapiro Center Symposium. (SAIC). Chicago, IL.
- Beyond the Wall: LULA CAFÉ, Rabbit Hole Magazine. {Kate Sierzputowski} Chicago, IL.
- 2014 Featured Artist, Make Space. {Lynnette Miranda} New York, New York City, NY.
- Featured Artist, ArtCrush Magazine. {Brandon Johnson } New York City, NY.
- 2012 Featured Artist, WeaverMaker Pro: New Woven Works. Make Space. {Lynnette Miranda} Chicago, IL.

AWARDS

- 2015 World Less Traveled Grant, The school of the Art Institute, Chicago, IL.
- Visual Arts Nominee- Luminarts Cultural Foundation, Union League Club, Chicago, IL.
- TextielLab Artist Project Recipient- Textiel Museum, Tilburg, Netherlands.
- Ox-Bow Merit Scholarship, The school of the Art Institute, Chicago, IL.
- Dimensions of an Artist Grant, Student Government, The school of the Art Institute, Chicago, IL.
- Roger Brown House- Resident Artist, The school of the Art Institute, Chicago, IL.
- 2014 Eager Grant Recipient- Shapiro Center, The school of the Art Institute, Chicago, IL.
- ACRE Artist Residency
- 2012 Wingate Fellowship Nominee
- 2011 Ox-bow Summer Work Scholarship, The school of the Art Institute, Chicago, IL.
- 2011 SAIC Support Grant, SAIC Recognition Scholarship, Elizabeth
- 08 Skinner Scholarship, Merit Grant

GALLERY REPRESENTATION

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