

JILL DOWNEN



EDUCATION

- 2001 M.F.A., Sculpture
Washington University, St. Louis, MO
- 1989 B.F.A., Painting / Printmaking
Kansas City Art Institute, Kansas City, MO

ONE-PERSON EXHIBITIONS

- 2006 Bruno David Gallery, *dis(embodiment)*, April, St. Louis, MO
eGallery, *Jill Downen: Uneasy Opposition*, Tarble Arts Center, Eastern Illinois University,
January 19-February 26, Charleston, IL
- 2004 Contemporary Art Museum St. Louis, *The Posture of Place*, curated by Shannon Fitzgerald
Great Rivers Biennial, St. Louis, MO
- 2003 Ninth Street Gallery, *Body/Building: Involuntary Anatomies*, St. Louis, MO
- 2002 A.R.C. Gallery, *Rubber Wall*, Frontspace, Chicago, IL
- 2001 Purdue University Beeke Gallery, *Anxious Architecture*, Purdue University,
Lafayette, IN
In-Form Gallery, *MFA Thesis Exhibit*, Lemp Brewery, St. Louis, MO
- 2000 North Gallery, *The 116 N. 40th Series*, St. Louis, MO
- 1995 Community Gallery, *Visions of the Numinous*, Frank Lloyd Wright's Church Library, Kansas
City, MO
- 1989 Kansas City Art Institute, *Rites of Passage*, Kansas City, MO

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2007 *Paper Now*, I-Space, Chicago, IL
- 2006 *Overflow*, (with Charles Gick), 1708 Gallery, curated by Elizabeth Keller, Richmond, VA
Overview, Bruno David Gallery, St. Louis, MO
Symbiosis, Kirkland Fine Arts Center, Milikin University, Decatur, IL
- 2005 *Inaugural Exhibition*, Bruno David Gallery, St. Louis, MO
- 2004 *Projects '04*, Islip art Museum Long Island center for Experimental Art, East Islip, NY
Washington University School of Art Faculty Exhibit, Kemper Museum, St. Louis, MO
1984-2004 Twentieth Anniversary Celebration, Elliot Smith Contemporary Art,
September 17-October 16, St. Louis, MO
Everything You Ever Wanted To Know About Art..., Elliot Smith Contemporary Art,
July 9-September 4, St. Louis, MO
Women Only, Elliot Smith Contemporary Art, April 16 - May 22, St. Louis, MO

- 2004 *Danforth Scholars Exhibit*, Des Lee Gallery, St. Louis, MO
3 Women Artists, Thomas Jefferson School, St. Louis MO
- 2003 *Corners*, Museum of Contemporary Art, curated by Erica France, Ft. Collins, CO
Binational Art Exhibit, U.S. Embassy, Asuncion, Paraguay
Wear Structure, Open-End Gallery, Chicago, IL
Wear Structure, Heaven Gallery, Chicago, IL
29th Bradley National Print & Drawing Exhibition, Peoria, IL
Group Show, Hidden Arts, St. Louis, MO
Paper in Particular, Columbia College, Columbia, MO
- 2002 *Three-artists*, Meramec Art Gallery, St. Louis, MO
3 x 3, Faculty Show, Meramec Art Gallery, St. Louis, MO
- 2001 *Heuristic Origins*, Second Floor Contemporary, curated by David Hall, Memphis, TN
Exposure 4: The Spaces In-Between, Park Avenue Gallery, curated by Terry Suhre, St. Louis, MO
Group Show, Winifsky Gallery, Salem State College, Salem, MA
4th Annual Invitational, North Gallery, St. Louis, MO
- 2000 *Shack Town*, Des Lee Gallery, curated by Michael Williams, St. Louis, MO
4th Annual Critical Mass One Night Stand, Crowe T. Brooks Gallery, St. Louis, MO
Super-imposed, Des Lee Gallery, St. Louis, MO
6th Annual Regional Exhibit, St. Charles Community College, St. Peters, MO
Structurally Speaking, Art St. Louis, curated by Adrian Luchini, St. Louis, MO
- 1999 *2nd Annual Invitational*, North Gallery, Ferguson, MO
Contemporary Women Artist XI, Meramec Art Gallery, St. Louis, MO
5th Annual Regional Exhibition, St. Charles County Community College, St. Peters, MO
Golden Mean, Art St. Louis, St. Louis, MO
- 1995 *Artists and Their Teachers*, Hendren Gallery, Lindenwood University, St. Louis, MO
- 1994 *Art St. Louis X, The Exhibition*, Art St. Louis, St. Louis, MO
Group Exhibition, Animalia Gallery, Saugatuck, MI
- 1993 *7th Annual Ecclesiastical Art Exhibit*, Historic Trinity, Detroit, MI
- 1992 *Two-Person Exhibition*, St. Louis Community College at Forest Park, St. Louis, MO
- 1989 *Group Show*, Watson Ess Gallery, Kansas City, MO
Two-Person Show, Jackson County State Bank, Kansas City, MO
13th Annual KCRCHE Art Exhibition, Kansas City Artists Coalition, Kansas City, MO

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GRANTS & AWARDS

- 2007 Cite Internationale des Arts, residency, Paris
- 2004 2004 Grand Center Visionary Awards (*Emerging Artist*), St. Louis. MO
Great Rivers Biennial Grant, Gateway Foundation and Contemporary Art Museum Saint Louis. St. Louis, MO
- 2002-06 *Emerson Visiting Critics & Curators Series*, Contemporary Art Museum St. Louis. (Visits with Ingrid Schaffner, Shamim Momin, Thom Collins, James Elaine, Douglas Fogle, Sylvia Chivaratanond, Hamza Walker)
- 1999-2001 *Danforth Scholar Fellowship*, Washington University, St. Louis, MO
- 1988 Thomas Hart Benton Scholarship, Kansas City Art Institute

WRITING BY ARTIST

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VISITING ARTIST LECTURES / SYMPOSIUMS

- 2006 Virginia Commonwealth University, visiting artist, Richmond, Virginia, July 6
Minimalist Symposium, The Pulitzer Foundation for the Arts, St. Louis, Missouri. February 18-19.
Eastern Illinois University, lecture/critiques in conjunction with *Uneasy Opposition*, Charleston IL
- 2005 George Washington University, visiting artist, Washington D.C.
- 2004 Webster University, lecture on *The Posture of Place*
Contemporary Art Museum St. Louis, panel discussion, St. Louis, MO
- 2001 Memphis College of Art, lecture & critiques, in conjunction with *Heuristic Origins*, November.
Purdue University, lecture & critiques in conjunction with *Anxious Architecture*, Sept. 10.
- 2000 Washington University Gallery of Art, lecture on current work, October 25.
Critical Mass, North Gallery, *The 116 N. 40th series*, gallery talk, October 14.
- 1999 St. Louis Women's Caucus for Art, *Paintings in Space*, lecture, University City Public Library, October. St. Louis, MO
- 1998 Purdue University, *Structures for the Movement of Imagination*, lecture & critiques, Lafayette, IN, October.
- 1994 Community Gallery, *Visions of the Numinous*, gallery talk, Kansas City, MO, November.
- 1993 Kansas City Art Institute, *Surviving as a Fine Artist*, lecture & panel discussion, Kansas City, MO, March.
- 1992 St. Louis Community College at Forest Park, lecture on current work, St. Louis, MO, March.

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