

## **KENNEDY YANKO**

Born in St. Louis, Missouri, 1988  
Lives and works in Brooklyn, New York

### **Education**

2008 San Francisco Art Institute, San Francisco, CA

### **Solo Exhibitions**

- 2021 *Postcapitalist Desire*, Tilton Gallery, New York, NY
- 2020 *Salient Queens*, VIELMETTER, Los Angeles, CA  
*Because it's in my blood*, Galleria Poggiali, Milan, Italy
- 2019 *Before Words*, UICA, Grand Rapids, MI  
*HANNAH*, Kavi Gupta Gallery, Chicago, IL  
*HIGHLY WORKED*, Denny Dimin Gallery, New York, NY
- 2018 *Chasing Time*, Leyendecker Galería, Tenerife, Canary Islands
- 2013 *Alchemy in Silent Spaces*, Idiosyncrasy Gallery, New York, NY
- 2012 *Permutations*, The Paragon Theater, St. Louis, MO
- 2010 *Paroxysm*, Art Monster, St. Louis, MO
- 2009 *Wu-Wei*, Abstrakt Gallery, St. Louis, MO

### **Group Exhibitions**

- 2020 *We Are More Than A Moment*, MCLA BCRC/Gallery 51, North Adams, MA  
*Life During WarTime*, University of South Florida Contemporary Art Museum, Tampa, FL  
*SITE: Art and Architecture in the Digital Space*, Library Street Collective  
*Abstract! Minimalism to Now*, Tilton Gallery, New York, NY
- 2019 *IMPLIED BODY*, ASSEMBLY ROOM, New York, NY  
*Harlem Perspectives*, The Faction Art Space, New York, NY  
*PARALLELS AND PERIPHERIES*, MOCAD, Detroit, MI

- 2018 *Cry of Victory and Short Walks to Freedom*, Projects + Gallery, St. Louis, MO  
*Outside in 2*, Michael David Gallery, Brooklyn, NY  
*PARALLELS AND PERIPHERIES*, Art Center South Florida, Miami, FL  
*The Barn Show 2018*, Johannes Vogt Gallery, Brooklyn, NY  
*Alchemy*, BRIC Arts Media, Brooklyn, NY  
*Senses and Perceptions*, MANA Contemporary, Jersey City, NJ  
*The Aesthetics of Matter*, VOLTA NY, New York, NY  
*Out of Line*, Long Gallery, Harlem, NY
- 2017 *PROJECTS*, PULSE Contemporary Art Fair, Miami, FL  
*Hidden in Plain Sight*, Jenkins Johnson Gallery, Brooklyn, NY
- 2015 *AART*, Joseph Gross Gallery, New York, NY
- 2014 *I Kan Do Dat*, Rush Art Galleries, New York, NY  
*Art Now*, Poppington Gallery, New York, NY

### Public Art

- 2019-2021 Sculpture: *3 Ways*, Funded by the Helis Foundation, Poydras Corridor, New Orleans, LA
- 2019-2020 Installation | Film: *Our Valence*, Funded by Art in Buildings by Time Equities, Detroit, MI

### Awards and Residencies

- 2021 Artist in Residence, Rubell Museum of Art, Miami, FL
- 2020 Finalist, Creative Time Open Call, Creative Time
- 2019 Recipient, Colene Brown Art Prize, BRIC Arts Media
- 2018 & 2019 Nominee, Painters & Sculptors Grant Program, Joan Mitchell Foundation
- 2018 Nominee, Emerging Artist Grant, Rema Hort Mann Foundation
- 2018 Artist Residency, Galería Leyendecker, Tenerife, Canary Islands
- 2017 Artist Residency, Fountainhead, Miami, FL
- 2013 Artist Residency, Idiosyncrasy Gallery, New York, NY
- 2010 Artist Residency, Atlantic Center of the Arts, New Smyrna Beach, FL
- 2009-2012 Resident Performer, The Living Theatre, New York, NY

### Performances

The Living Theater, New York, NY

- 2011 *History of the World*
- 2010 *Korach*
- 2009 *Red Noir*  
*Eureka*

### Talks

- 2019 Artist Talk, Philadelphia Academy of the Arts, Philadelphia, PA  
"Conversations with Artists" series, The Phillips Collection, Washington, D.C.

### Publications

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