

ELIZABETH ERNST

Born Buffalo, NY, 1950

Education

1979 MS in Photography, Illinois Institute of Technology, The Institute of Design,
Chicago, IL. Studied with Arthur Siegel.
1973 BFA in Photography, Moore College of Art, Philadelphia, PA
1971 AA in Fine Arts, Garland Junior College, Boston, MA

Grants/Awards

2014 "Top 5 Shows of the Year," New City, Chicago, IL
2013 Faculty Development Grant, Columbia College, Chicago, IL
2002 Illinois Arts Council Fellowship in Photography
1999 Illinois Arts Council Fellowship in Photography
Faculty Development Grant, Columbia College, Chicago, IL
1998 CAAPS Grant, Chicago, IL
Faculty Development Award, Columbia College, Chicago, IL
1997/98 Illinois Art Council Fellowship in Photography, Finalist
1995/96 Illinois Art Council Fellowship in Photography, Finalist

Exhibitions

2018 "Shady Grove Nursing Home," Catherine Edelman Gallery, Chicago, IL
2017 "Contemporary Photography: The Visual Narrative," School of Creative Arts,
University of St. Francis, Ft. Wayne, IN
2014 "Mirror Mirror" Catherine Edelman Gallery, Chicago, IL
2012 "What I Was Thinking: 25 Year Anniversary," Catherine Edelman Gallery,
Chicago, IL
"Installed," Catherine Edelman Gallery, Chicago, IL
2011 "Under the Big Top: The Fine Art of the Circus in America," The Fleming
Museum at the University of Vermont, Burlington, VT
2010 "Smoke & Mirrors," Catherine Edelman Gallery, Chicago, IL
2009 "Well Told Tales," Etherton Gallery, Tucson, AZ
2007 "Circus Acts: Suspending Disbelief," H.F. Johnson Art Gallery, Carthage
College, Kenosha, WI
2006 "Human Being: Disability in Contemporary Art," Chicago Cultural Center,
Chicago, IL (with accompanying catalog)
"Elizabeth Ernst: The G.E. Circus," Catherine Edelman Gallery, Chicago, IL
2002 "The Camera Obscured IV: Mixed Media Photography," Catherine Edelman
Gallery, Chicago, IL

- “gaggles, flocks & covies; further exaltations and murders,” Ricco/Maresca Gallery, New York, NY
- “Exposure,” Rockford College Art Gallery, Rockford, IL
- “Natural History,” Aron Packer Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2001 “The Alchemy of Light,” Cumberland Gallery, Nashville, TN
- 2000 “Cross References,” Bassetti Fine Art Photographs, New Orleans, LA
- “The Camera Obscured III: Mixed Media Photography,” Catherine Edelman Gallery, Chicago, IL
- “On View,” Cumberland Gallery, Nashville, TN
- “2000 Clowns,” University Galleries, Illinois State University, Normal, IL
- 1999 “Small Packages,” Cumberland Gallery, Nashville, TN
- “2nd Annual EAM Competition: Photography,” Elmhurst Art Museum, Elmhurst, IL [Best of Show Award]
- “Petits Formats Bis,” Galerie Kiron, Paris, France
- 1998 “The Camera Obscured II: Mixed Media Photography,” Catherine Edelman Gallery, Chicago, IL
- “Selections from the Midwest Photographer Project,” Museum of Contemporary Photography, Chicago, IL
- “Chicago Artists 1998,” Gallery 312, Chicago, IL
- “Celebrating 10 Years: A Chronological History of Exhibitions,” Catherine Edelman Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 1997 Etherton Gallery, Tucson, AZ
- “Re/Collections,” Northern Illinois University Art Museum, DeKalb, IL
- “Progeny,” Carlson Tower Gallery, Northpark University, Chicago, IL
- “Animal Instincts,” Catherine Edelman Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 1996 “Illinois Photographers in the 90s: The Midwest Photographers Project,” The Museum of Contemporary Photography, Chicago, IL
- “Experimental Photography,” Gibson Gallery, State University of New York, College at Potsdam, NY
- “The Camera Obscured: Mixed Media Photographs,” Catherine Edelman Gallery, Chicago, IL
- Cleveland Center for the Arts, Cleveland, OH
- “To Each Her Own,” Gallery A, Chicago, IL
- 1995 “2 Person Exhibition,” Mahler Gallery, Washington, DC
- “Gallery Artists: Part II,” Catherine Edelman Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 1994 “Elizabeth Ernst: Photographic Worlds,” Schneider Gallery Chicago, IL
- “Vertical Axis: Photographs from Central States,” The Museum of Contemporary Photography, Chicago, IL [exhibition and museum lecture]

Publications

Hair Trigger Magazine (8 images), Graphis Fine Art Photography 2, Architectural Record, The Art of Interior Architecture: Interiors 1979 - 1989, Chicago Chapter American Institute of Architects, CCAIA, 1989, Chicago Magazine, Chicago Tribune, Herald Tribune, House and Garden, Interior Design, Metropolitan Home, New York Times, Progressive Architecture

Art Fairs

Expo Chicago 2012, *Art Chicago*, 1996 – 2010. *The Photography Show* sponsored by The Association of International Photography Art Dealers, New York, NY, February 1995 - 2018. *Photo LA*, Los Angeles, CA, January 1999 - 2005. *San Francisco International Art Exposition*, San Francisco, September 1999 - 2000.