

zakkiyyah najeebah dumas o'neal

b.1991

EDUCATION

2010 -2015

University of Illinois at Chicago.

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2021 *This Irrepressible Need To Fulfill Myself in Every Way Possible*. Cook Center for Public Arts and Humanities, Indiana University. Bloomington, IN.

2020 *A Deep Feeling*. South Bend Museum of Art. South Bend, IN.

We Cannot Be Comprehended Except By Our Permission. Blanc Gallery. Chicago, IL

2019 *A Different Kind of Love Story: For Us*. ADDS DONNA. Chicago, IL.

2017 *Five Works: Zakkiyyah Najeebah*. Mana Contemporary Chicago, IL.

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2022 *In Focus at EXPO Chicago*, Hyde Park Art Center, EXPO. Chicago, IL

2021 *Present Artifacts*. Ralph Arnold Gallery. Chicago, IL

NEW WITNESSES. Arts and Public Life, Arts Incubator. Chicago, IL

RAISIN. 6018North. Chicago, IL

2020 *A Mirror, A Dish, A Window*. Goldfinch Gallery. Chicago, IL

The Petty Biennial. Glass Curtain Gallery, Columbia College. Chicago, IL

2019 *Homecoming*. Zhou B Art Center. Chicago, IL.

Close, Afar. Dfbrl8r. Chicago, IL.

Oh, Maker. Heaven Gallery. Chicago, IL.

2017 *WILD Family*, Border Patrol Gallery. Portland, ME.

Ritual, 2nd Floor Rear Exhibition Space. Chicago, IL.

Old Black Magic, Chicago Art Department.

2016 *Yelling at the Sky*, Chicago Artists Coalition x Gaylord and Dorothy Donnelly Foundation.

Our Duty to Fight, Gallery 400 (University of Illinois at Chicago).

2015 *Aesthetics of Wellness*, Woman Made Gallery. Chicago, IL

AWARDS/RESIDENCIES

2021 Artist Run Chicago Fund Grant. Concerned Black Image Makers. Chicago, IL

Chicago Artist Coalition, SPARK Grant. Chicago, IL

Artist-In-Residence. Indiana University. Bloomington, IN

Artist-In-Residence. Arts and Public Life, UChicago Arts. Chicago, IL

2020 Jackman Goldwasser Residency. Hyde Park Art Center. Chicago, IL

2019 Propeller Fund Grant. Concerned Black Image Makers. Chicago, IL

Black Artist Retreat. Park Avenue Armory, NYC, NY.

ProjectArt - Artist in Residence. Chicago, IL

2017 SPACE - Artist in Residence. Portland, ME.

PARTNERSHIPS/COMMISSIONS

2021 Chicago Humanities Festival

2020 Redbull Arts. Artist Grant Selection Committee. Chicago, IL.

Hyde Park Art Center Gala Auction

NADA (New Art Dealers Alliance)

2019 EXPO Chicago x DCASE (Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events).

2018 Art Design Chicago

2016 Queer, Ill & Okay: Art AIDS America + Alphawood Foundation

2015 Open Tv

CURATORIAL

2021 [*Jazmine Harris: A Quiet Impression*](#). The Silver Room. July - September

2020 *For Memory: These Are Deities in My Eyes*. Blanc Gallery. February - March

2019 *Relearning, With Mentions*. Chicago Art Department. July - August.

BETWEEN VISION + PRINCIPLE. Arts and Public Life, University of Chicago. May - June.
2018 *Tonika Lewis Johnson: Everyday Englewood*. Exhibition statement. Loyola University Museum of Art. Chicago, IL.

PERFORMANCE

2019 *In Progress: Derrick-Woods Morrow*. Museum of Contemporary Art. Chicago, IL
2017 *Oh, Mother Mother Me*. Performative reading. Compound Yellow. Chicago, IL

PRESS/STATEMENTS

2021 [*There Is This We*](#). Belt Magazine.
2020 [*More Urgent Than The Determination of Dates. Quarantine Times Featured Artist.*](#)
[*Art Alliance Illinois: Artist Feature*](#)
2019 [*Six visual art shows that made 2019 bearable*](#)
[*Art on the Highway: EXPO Chicago's Override Takes Over Chicago Billboards*](#)
[*Chicago's Next Generation of Image Makers*](#)
[*Speaking Volumes on Black America. A Review of "Oh, Maker" At Heaven Gallery*](#)
[*Seeing Womanism Through the Artist's Lens: A Review of Zakkiiyah Najeebah at Adds Donna.*](#)
2018 [*Southside Stories: Dr. Margaret T. Burroughs.*](#)

SELECTED PROGRAMS/SCREENINGS

2022 *to render the infinite*. Block Museum of Art, Northwestern. Evanston, IL
2021 *to render the infinite*. Imagining Chicago's Future: Film Screening. Chicago Humanities Festival. Chicago, IL.
Visiting Artist Talk. Eskenazi Museum of Art. Bloomington, IN.
A Line Into Infinity (virtual lecture). Center for Black Diaspora. Depaul University. Chicago, IL
Concerned Black Image Makers. Portraits in the Park. Art Institute of Chicago x Dusable Museum. Chicago, IL
Concerned Black Image Makers. In Conversation with Bernard Lumpkin. Gallery 400. Chicago, IL
Concerned Black Image Makers. *CBIM Presents* (7 part series virtual program).
2020 Concerned Black Image Makers. *In Conversation with Loren Toney*. Hyde Park Art Center. Chicago, IL
2019 Concerned Black Image Makers. *Through a Lens Intimate (2 part series)*. Comfort Station. Chicago, IL
2018 *EXPOSURE X Black Radical Imagination: FUTURE ENCLAVES*. Film shorts screening. Heaven Gallery. Chicago, IL
In Progress: Black Photo Futures. MCA (Museum of Contemporary Art). Moderator + Facilitator. Chicago, IL
2017 *DE(LIBERATELY)*. Film Screening. SPACE Gallery. Portland, ME.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2020 -
present SPACE - School Partnership for Art and Civic Engagement. Senn Highschool x Museum of Contemporary Art. Chicago, IL
2018 - TRACE - Teens Re-imagining Art, Community, and Environment. Chicago Park District.
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2016 - Teaching Artist Guide. Museum of Contemporary Art. Chicago, IL
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2013 - Museum Educator. Jane Addams Hull House Museum. Chicago, IL
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COLLECTIONS:

Private collections
Eskenazi Museum of Art
The Neal Marshall Black Cultural Center
Chicago Film Archives