

# CHRISTEEN FRANCIS

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## EDUCATION

**2019** Master of Fine Art, Print Media, Concordia University, Montreal, QC, CA  
**2006** Bachelor of Fine Art, Interdisciplinary, Nova Scotia College of Art and Design, Halifax, NS, CA

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

**2019 - present** **Workshop Teacher, Concordia University, Montreal, CA**  
Workshops in screenprinting, relief, and digital process at the undergrad level.

**2019** **Course Instructor, Concordia University, Montreal, CA**  
Contemporary Woodcut and Relief I at the undergrad level.  
**St Michael's Printshop: Workshop Teacher, St John's, CA**  
One day Introduction to Screenprinting workshop.

**2017-2019** **Teaching Assistant, Concordia University, Art History Department, Montreal, CA**  
Keywords: Reading the Arts Across the Disciplines. Led weekly seminars that accompanied the lecture that focused on visual literacy and writing skills.

**2016-2018** **Teaching Assistant, Concordia University, Print Media Department, Montreal, CA**  
Assisted the professor in class and held office hours in the studio for:  
Intaglio I, Contemporary Woodcut and Relief II, Advanced Screenprinting.

**2013 - 2016** **Workshop Teacher, Dedalus Foundation, New York City, USA**  
Taught screenprinting workshops at the Dedalus art space for children and adults.

**2012 - 2016** **Owner, Out of Line Press, New York City, USA**  
Owned and operated a commercial screenprinting and design shop. Clients included artists, local businesses, as well as community and activist groups.

## COMMUNITY WORK

**2017- present** **Member, Articule, Montreal, CA**  
Participate in meetings and take part in decision making process on two committees.

**2017 - 2018** **Volunteer. Interference Archive. New York City, USA**  
Accessioned new items, staffed events and helped install shows at the archive over two consecutive summers.

**2013** **Workshop Teacher, Craftivism Symposium, Le Petit Versailles, New York City, USA**  
Co-presented a free one day workshop with Wai-Yant Lee, focused on starting and running a small business in the craft world.

**2006 - 2007** **Workshop Teacher, The Purple Thistle Centre, Vancouver, CA**  
Designed and ran a free beginner to intermediate level screenprinting class once a week, as well as co-designed and built the screenprinting facility.

- 2002 - 2005**      **Co-Founder and Volunteer, Books Beyond Bars, Halifax, CA**  
 Provided books to women in prison in Nova Scotia. Met with women in prison to deliver books and journals, and coordinated an annual zine of prisoner's art.
- 2002 - 2003**      **VP Cultural, SUNSCAD (Student Union of the Nova Scotia College of Art and Design) CA**  
 Participated in meetings and made decisions about issues affecting the student body. Organized and improved the student food bank and exhibition spaces within the university.

## LECTURES, RESIDENCIES AND GRANTS

- 2019**      **Guest Lecturer.** University of Santa Cruz. Santa Cruz, USA  
**Artist Talk, *The Rest and the Void.*** Society of North Alberta Printmakers, Edmonton, CA  
**Artist Talk, *Borough Burrow.*** Alberta Printmakers. Calgary, CA  
**Residency and Artist Talk.** Eastern Edge Gallery. St John's, CA  
**Travel Grant,** Conseil des arts et des lettres du Québec, CA  
**Finalist,** The Claudine and Stephen Bronfman Fellowship in Contemporary Art, CA
- 2016 - 2019**      **Faculty of Fine Arts Fellowship,** Concordia University. Montreal, CA  
**2018**      **Guest Lecturer.** Processes in Digital Media I. Concordia University. Montreal, CA  
**Speaker, *Social Practices in Print Media.*** Expanded Practices in Print Media Symposium. Concordia University. Montreal, CA  
**Quebec Student Mobility Award,** Ministère de l'Éducation et de l'Enseignement Supérieur, CA  
**2017**      **Graduate Student Mobility Award,** Concordia International, Montreal, CA  
**2016**      **Artist Residency, *Summaryk/Summer Dust.*** Verksmidjan, Hjalteyrri, IS  
**2014**      **Residency and Artist Talk. *Borderlines in the Sand.*** Villa Magdalena K, Hamburg, DE

## SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2019**      ***The Rest and the Void,*** SNAP (Society of Northern Alberta Print-Artists), Edmonton, CA  
***Borough Burrow,*** Alberta Printmakers, Calgary, CA  
***MFA Thesis show,*** MFA Gallery - Concordia University, Montréal, CA
- 2017**      ***Uncertain Cities,*** Casa del Popolo, Montréal, CA
- 2015**      ***Goodnight City,*** Happy Fun Hideaway, Brooklyn, USA
- 2014**      ***Borderlines in the Sand,*** Villa Magdalena K, Hamburg, DE
- 2007**      ***Standing Water,*** Bathroom Gallery, Spartacus Books, Vancouver, CA

## GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2021**      **Upcoming.** Eastern Edge Gallery. St John's, CA
- 2020**      **Upcoming *Trazando Las Lineas.*** Center for Embodied Pedagogy and Action, San Juan, PR  
***Inhospitable.*** Touring exhibition showing at Universities and galleries across Canada
- 2019**      ***Situer/Situate,*** Article, Montréal, CA  
***Graduating Students Exhibition,*** VAV Gallery, Montréal, CA
- 2018**      ***Engaged Editions,*** Booklyn, Brooklyn, USA  
***Okanagan Print Triennial,*** Kelowna Art Gallery, Kelowna, CA  
***Fond du Tiroir,*** Galerie Alain Piroir, Montréal, CA  
***Pour l'art,*** Galerie B-312, Montreal, CA
- 2017**      ***Surface Inc.*** FOFA Gallery-Concordia University, Montréal, CA  
***Satellite Art Show,*** Secret Project Robot, Miami, USA  
***Amplify & Multiply,*** Coburn Gallery at Colorado College, Colorado Springs, USA  
***Maureen II,*** Ancienne Ecole des Beaux Arts, Montréal, CA  
***Dreaming in the Now,*** Secret Project Robot, Brooklyn, USA

- 2016 **Summaryk/Summer Dust**, Verksmidjan, Hjalteyri, IS  
**Like a Rainbow in the Dark**, Flowers for all Occasions Gallery, Brooklyn, USA
- 2015 **Summer of Robot**, Secret Project Robot, Brooklyn, USA
- 2014 **Headshop: A Psychedelic Group Art Show**, Secret Project Robot, Brooklyn, NY,  
**Turning to Night**, Le Petit Versailles, NY, USA
- 2012 **The Bootleg T-Shirt Show**, Printed Matter, NY, USA
- 2011 **The Blacklight Lounge**, Secret Project Robot, Brooklyn, USA
- 2010 **Our Town**, Secret Project Robot, Brooklyn, USA
- 2009 **Garden Party**, Blue Door Gallery, Nyack, USA
- 2008 **The T-Shirt Show**, Printed Matter, NY, USA  
**Monsters**, Billboard Project with Kayrock Screenprinting, Brooklyn, USA
- 2007 **Process Invisible**, Street Level Gallery, Portland, USA
- 2006 **Start/Stop/Start**, Fiction, Vancouver, CA

## PORTFOLIOS

- 2020 **Trazando las Lineas**. Southern Graphics Council International/ Center for Embodied Pedagogy and Action
- 2019 **Inhospitable**. Concordia MFA Student Initiative. Portfolio exchange and touring exhibition

## PUBLICATIONS

- 2020 **Love Under the Patriarchy**. Co-editor. Zine. Out of Line Press  
(upcoming)
- 2018 **Radical Possibilities: Archives and Social Space in Cities**. Co-Author. Zine. Out of Line Press  
**The Rest and the Void**. Artist Book. Screenprint and Relief. Out of Line Press  
**Okanagan Print Triennial Catalog**. Catalog of the 2018 Okanagan Print Triennial
- 2009 **Concrete Jungle**. Artist book. Screenprint, edition of 100. Out of Line Press
- 2005 **Something About Texas**. Artist book. Screenprint, edition of 15. Self Published  
**Words Beyond Walls**. Co-Editor. Publication of women prisoner's art and writing. Books Beyond Bars

## PERFORMANCES

- 2018 Performer in **The Fake Orgasm Choir**, by Coral Short. Phenomena Festival. The Rialto, Montréal, CA
- 2016 **Varulven**, with Nick Kuepfer, Neil Holyoak, Jim Holyoak and Matt Shane, Mengi, Reykjavík, Iceland  
**Varulven**, Art POP festival, with Nick Kuepfer and Jim Holyoak, L'École des beaux-arts de Montréal, CA
- 2012 Performer in **The Hole-y Army** by Coral Short, New York Dyke March, NY

## CURATION

- 2018 Co-curated **Agitate! Educate! Organize! Agit Prop into the 21st Century**. Interference Archive, Brooklyn, NY, USA.  
**Printing Politics**. In conjunction with the Expanded Practices in Print Media Symposium. Concordia University. Montréal, CA
- 2017 **Print Disorder**, Print Fair. La Soterranea, Montréal, CA

## PRESS

- 2019 Agnieszka Matejko, Galleries West. "Christeen Francis: Artist looks at precarious cycles of displacement and gentrification in urban centres."  
<https://www.gallerieswest.ca/magazine/stories/christeen-francis/>
- 2018 Interview by Stefan Cristof, *Free City Radio*, CKUT FM.  
<https://m.soundcloud.com/freecityradio/interview-artist-christine-francis>

