

Manifest Creative Research Gallery and Drawing Center

2727 Woodburn Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45206

14th Annual MASTER PIECES

An Exhibit of Works by Current & Recent Graduate Students

This fourteenth installment of the Master Pieces project continues to reveal the intensity and professionalism of students working towards their terminal academic degree in the field of visual arts.

As do our annual *Rites of Passage* and *TAPPED* exhibits, *Master Pieces* reflects our organization's commitment to surveying, documenting, and presenting the state of arts in academia on an ongoing basis. We believe this is important to artists, the public, students, and teachers.

Often the most exceptional work comes out of graduate students' immersion in their culture of study and intellectual pursuit. Manifest's goal, therefore, is to select and document works that in the truest sense of the word are contemporary masterpieces—works that represent the standard of quality that the artist is expected to maintain throughout his or her professional career as a Master. The exhibit catalogs for Master Pieces, and now the *Manifest Exhibition Annual*, will serve as a visual documentation of these artists' own benchmarks for years to come.

For this 14th competition for the project 74 artists representing 48 different academic graduate programs in 28 states submitted 261 works for consideration by Manifest's rigorous jury process. Nineteen works** by the following 16 artists from 12 states representing 12 different academic programs were selected for presentation in the gallery and MEA publication for season 16.

Featuring works by:

Katie Adams

Current MFA/MA Student University of Alabama

Margot Becker

2020 MFA/MA Graduate California College of the Arts

Nicolette Bonagura

2020 MFA/MA Graduate University of Arkansas

Jonathan Christensen Caballero

2020 MFA/MA Graduate Indiana University

Caitlin Cheek

2020 MFA/MA Graduate Texas A&M University

Jeanne Ciravolo

2019 MFA/MA Graduate University of Connecticut

Krista Fay

2019 MFA/MA Graduate Texas A&M University

Caroline Gerberick

2020 MFA/MA Graduate Indiana University

Jonathan Virginia Green

Current MFA/MA Student University of Arkansas

Maria Haag

Current MFA/MA Student University of North Texas

Kel Mur

2020 MFA/MA Graduate
University of Wisconsin-Madison

Dana Potter

2020 MFA/MA Graduate
University of Tennessee-Knoxville

Heather Stivison

2020 MFA/MA Graduate
University of Massachusetts-Dartmouth

Jody Travis Thompson

2019 MFA/MA Graduate University of Arkansas

Jessica Mia Vito

Current MFA/MA Student Southern Illinois University-Carbondale

Mikey Yates

Current MFA/MA Student University of Colorado