

# Tanya Gayer

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## EDUCATION

- 2016 **MA Curatorial Practice**  
**MA Visual & Critical Studies**  
California College of the Arts, San Francisco, CA
- 2011 **BFA with an Emphasis in Photography**  
University of Nevada, Reno, NV

## CURATORIAL PROJECTS

- 2018 ***Sonoma Fire Stories***, Co-curator, Sonoma Valley Museum of Art  
(forthcoming October 2018)  
***California College of the Arts 2018 Gala***, Curator, CCA Nave  
(forthcoming May 2018)  
***Soundwave ((8)) Biennial***, Chief Curator, San Francisco, CA  
(forthcoming Fall 2018)
- 2017 ***SonicLabs ((8)) Biennial: Sporegloss Bug Train Xenophobia***, Curator, Gray Area,  
San Francisco, CA  
Group performance: Neotonomie, Porpentine Charity Heartscape, Rook
- 2016 ***Third Party***, Curator  
**CTRL + SHFT, Oakland, CA** (November 6, 2016)  
Group exhibition: Lark Buckingham, Joanna Cheung, Rhonda Holberton, Zoe  
McCloskey, Erica Scourti, Angela Washko  
Related speaker salon in partnership with Living Room Light Exchange. Speakers  
included Lark Buckingham, Kate Losse, and Erica Scourti
- Humor US***, Curator and juror  
**Embark Gallery, San Francisco, CA** (September 9, 2016)  
Group exhibition: Douglas Angulo, Nathan Becka, Boris Scherbakov,  
Kaitlin Trataris, France Viana, Hui Meng Wang, Jin Zhu
- New Quarters: Inaugural Exhibition***, Curator and juror  
**Hayes Valley Art Works, San Francisco, CA** (June 6, 2016)  
Group exhibition: Violette Alby, Michelle Echenique, Jackie Farkas, Daniel Farnan,  
John Farnsworth, Eliza Fernand, Steven Garen, Paulette Humanbeing, Jamie Kelty,  
Nicole Lavelle, Cara Levine, Sonja Ljubinkovic, Pablo Manga, Jary Neibur, Bernardo  
Roman Palau, Carlo Ricafort, Suchitra Sharma, Emma Spertus, Robert Spertus,  
Deirdre Weinberg, and Todd Young  
Related artist workshop day with Jackie Farkas, Daniel Farnan, Steven Garen,  
Paulette Humanbeing, Jamie Kelty, and performance by Butte la Rose

- 2015 ***Painting is Forbidden***, Co-curator  
**CCA Wattis Institute for Contemporary Art, San Francisco, CA**  
A solo exhibition of works by Martin Wong
- 2014 ***Curatorial Speed-Dating***, Event coordinator and curator  
**California College of the Arts, San Francisco, CA**  
Artists & curators from SFAI & CCA held short portfolio reviews & critiques
- Full Disclosure***, Co-Curator  
**Adobe Books Backroom Gallery, San Francisco, CA**  
Group exhibition with Irene Carvajal, Martin S. Gardea, Patrick Hothan, Kaveh Sayar Irani, Nicole Lavelle, Melissa Miller, Channing Morgan, & Emmanuel Sevilla
- Transmission***, Co-curator  
**Some Thing Spacious, Oakland, CA**  
Film screening with Alexis Bolter, Alexis Cadenas, Benjy Blanco & Nicole Hall, Danna Bialik, & Diana Stapleton
- The American Teenager Project***, Curatorial Assistant  
**Richmond Art Center, Richmond, CA**  
Group exhibition with Robin Bowman & high schoolers of Richmond, CA
- 2013 **Holiday Arts Festival Silent Auction**, Curatorial Assistant  
**Richmond Art Center, Richmond, CA**
- Bella Feldman: A Retrospective***, Curatorial Assistant  
**Richmond Art Center, Richmond CA**
- 2x2 Solo Show: Ali Naschke-Messing***, Curator  
**Pro Arts Gallery, Oakland, CA**
- Richmond Art Center's Annual Members' Show**, Curatorial Assistant  
**Richmond Art Center, Richmond, CA**
- Bill Dallas: Artmatism***, Curatorial Assistant  
**Richmond Art Center, Richmond CA**
- Christopher X Bost***, Curator  
**Artshop: at Progressive Grounds Cafe, San Francisco, CA**  
Solo exhibition with Christopher X Bost, workshop & Q & A Session by Christopher X Bost & Tanya Gayer
- Innovations in Contemporary Crafts: A Juried Exhibition of Contemporary Crafts in California***, Curatorial Assistant  
**Richmond Art Center, Richmond, CA**

- 2012 ***Phil Mcgaughy: Dreamscapes***, Curator  
**Artshop: at Progressive Grounds Cafe, San Francisco, CA**  
Solo exhibition with Phil Mcgaughy, panel discussion with Phil Mcgaughy,  
Marialidia Marcotulli & Tanya Gayer
- Chris Koehler: Devotion***, Curator  
**Artshop: at Progressive Grounds Cafe, San Francisco, CA**  
Solo exhibition with Chris Koehler, workshop & Q & A Session with Chris Koehler &  
Tanya Gayer
- David Young Kim: Billboards***, Curator  
**The Box Factory, San Francisco, CA**
- Visions of Yore***, Co-curator  
**Gallery Hijinks, San Francisco, CA**  
Juried exhibition with works by Alexis Arnold, Kylea Borges, Lacy Davis, Margo  
Duvall, Christine Elfman, Megan Gorham, Lori Hepner, Dan Herrera, Erin Mitchell,  
Daryll Peirce, & Allyson Seal
- Yellena James: Instill***, Curatorial Assistant  
**Gallery Hijinks, San Francisco, CA**
- Martin Machado: Too Far Gone***, Curatorial Assistant  
**Gallery Hijinks, San Francisco, CA**
- New Works by Randy Colosky***, Curatorial Assistant  
**Gallery Hijinks, San Francisco, CA**
- Matthew Craven: FRGMNTS***, Curatorial Assistant  
**Gallery Hijinks, San Francisco, CA**
- Treasure Frey & Kyle Jorgensen: Chromatics & Canopies***, Curatorial Assistant  
**Gallery Hijinks, San Francisco, CA**
- 2011 ***Vintage: A Survey of the University of Nevada, Reno's Permanent Collection***,  
Co-Curator  
**Front Door Gallery, Reno, NV**
- 2010 ***The Midtown Artwalk***, Curator and Event Organizer  
**Domus Design Building Exhibition Space, Reno, NV**  
Group exhibition with Amy Aramanda, Ashlea Clark, Alisha Funkhouser, Yoga Grey,  
John Grinde, Audrey Love, & Kelci McIntosh

## RESIDENCIES

- 2017 Signal Culture, Owego, New York  
2011 Picture Berlin, Berlin, Germany

## PUBLICATIONS

- 2017 Gayer, Tanya. "Sonic Futures at the San Jose Institute of Contemporary Art." *Daily Serving*, May 3, 2017.  
<http://www.dailyserving.com/2017/05/sonic-futures-at-the-san-jose-institute-of-contemporary-art/>.

Gayer, Tanya, Forrest McGarvey, and Eden Redmond. "Reflections on Artsy's Art Genome Project." Catalog contribution and related podcast, *Living Room Light Exchange: State Change*, Volume II, San Francisco, 2017.  
[https://soundcloud.com/eylassie/lrlx\\_2\\_audio](https://soundcloud.com/eylassie/lrlx_2_audio).

Gayer, Tanya. 2017. Cyclic Compression: Energetic Contact and the Artist As Medium. *Still Life*. San Francisco: CULT Exhibitions. Published in conjunction with the exhibition "*Rhonda Holberton: Still Life*."

- 2016 ———. "Archives and Algorithms: Compressing Socio-historical Distance," *Sightlines*. San Francisco: California College of the Arts, Visual and Critical Studies, 2016.

- 2015 ———. 2015. The Actionability of the Archive. *My Trip to America*. San Francisco: Wattis Institute for Contemporary Art. Published in conjunction with the exhibition "*Martin Wong: Painting is Forbidden*."

- 2013 ———. 2013. I Took Some Time, but I am Writing with Love. *Bathed in Sunshine Covered in Dust*. Reno: Holland Project. Published in conjunction with the exhibition "Bathed in Sunshine Covered in Dust."

———. 2013. Introduction. *Ali Nashke-Messing*. Oakland: Pro Arts Gallery. Published in conjunction with the exhibition "2x2 Solo Show: Ali Nashke-Messing."

## CONFERENCES/PRESENTATIONS/SYMPOSIA

- 2017 Living Room Light Exchange, December, 2017, Oakland, CA (presenter)
- 2016 Living Room Light Exchange, November, 2016, Oakland, CA (co-organizer)
- 2015 "Touching Virtually: Negotiating the Strange in Virtual Reality." UC San Diego Department of Visual Arts 8th Annual PhD Art History Symposium, *Hysterical Bodies: Disabling Normative Behavior in Contemporary Art*, San Diego, CA (lecturer/panelist)
- "Touching Virtually: Negotiating the Strange in Virtual Reality." The Art History Graduate Student Association 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Symposium, University of California, Santa Barbara (lecturer/panelist)

## **SELECTED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

- Present      **Exhibitions and Facilities Manager**, Sonoma Valley Museum of Art,  
Sonoma, CA
- 2016-2017    **Gallery Assistant**, Brian Gross Fine Art, San Francisco, CA  
**Gallery Associate**, 6th on 7th Gallery, San Francisco, CA
- 2016          **Artist Community Coordinator**, Hayes Valley Art Works, San Francisco, CA
- 2015          **Teaching Assistant**, California College of the Arts, San Francisco, CA
- 2014          **Teaching Assistant**, California College of the Arts, San Francisco, CA
- 2013-2014    **Exhibitions Assistant**, Richmond Art Center, Richmond, CA