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Edie Fake

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Lives and works in Twentynine Palms, CA

Education

2002 Bachelor of Fine Arts, Rhode Island School of Design

Solo Exhibitions

2024

Persuasions, Western Exhibitions, Chicago, IL

2023

On the Wall: Edie Fake, Providence College Galleries, Providence, RI

2022

Night Life, Rebecca Camacho Presents

Drylands Wetspot, Kishka, White River Junction, VT

2021

12th House, Broadway, New York

The Pieces, Western Exhibitions, Chicago, IL

2020

You Gotta Vote, Facebook 'Voting is Voice,' Fort Worth, TX

2019

Labyrinth, The Drawing Center, New York, NY

Affordable Housing for Trans Elders, The Art Wall at UC Berkeley Art Museum & Pacific

Film Archive, Berkeley, CA

2018

Gut Rehab, Western Exhibitions, Chicago, IL

Structures Shift, Everson Museum of Art, Syracuse, NY

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2016

Marlborough Chelsea, New York, NY

2015

Grey Area, Western Exhibitions, Chicago, IL

Edie Fake for Trunk Show, Trunk Club, Chicago, IL

2013

Memory Palaces, Thomas Robertello Gallery, Chicago, IL

Select Group Exhibitions

2025

Family Jewels, Hexum Gallery, Montpelier, VT

City in a Garden: Queer Art and Activism in Chicago, Museum of Contemporary Art Chicago, IL

2024

When the Spirit Moves You; curated by Elijah Wheat Showroom, Geary Contemporary, Millerton, NY

2021

Chicago Comics: Future Forward, Buddy, Chicago, IL

Chicago Comics: 1960s to Now, Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL

The Western Exhibitions Drawing Biennial, Western Exhibitions, Chicago, IL
Grouper, Broadway Gallery, New York, NY

2019

Vignettes, Richard Heller Gallery, Santa Monica, CA

Queer Forms, Katherine E. Nash Gallery, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN

Queer California: Untold Stories, Oakland Museum of California, Oakland, CA

Queer Abstraction: Contemporary Queer Abstraction, Des Moines Art Center, IA

2018

Surface/Depth: The Decorative after Miriam Schapiro, curated by Elissa Auther with Angelik Vizcarrondo- Laboy, *The Museum of Arts and Design*, New York,

Declaration, curated by Stephanie Smith and Lisa Freiman, with Amber Esseiva,

Johanna Plummer, and *Lauren Ross*. Institute for Contemporary Art, Virginia

Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA

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2017

Occupancies, Boston University Art Galleries, Boston, MA

The Nothing That Is: A Drawing Show in 5 Parts, curated by Matt Distel and Bill Thelen, The Carnegie, Covington, KY

Underlying system is not known, Western Exhibitions, Chicago, IL

2016

How High? Left Field, San Luis Obispo, CA

Tomorrow Never Happens, Samek Museum, Bucknell University, Lewisburg, PA

Gist & Gesture, Kavi Gupta, Chicago

World Made by Hand, Andrew Edlin Gallery, NYC

2015

Making Chances, curated by John Neff and Lorelei Stewart. Gallery 400, Chicago, IL

Feminist Bookstore, curated by Jennifer Armbrust and Michelle Blade. Reading Frenzy, Portland, OR

The Gay Mafia is Real, Western Exhibitions, Chicago, IL

Friendship and Freedom, MASS Gallery, Austin, TX

2014

Embodiment. Center for the Study of Gender and Sexuality, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL

The Stench of Rotting Flowers, Charlotte Street Foundation, Kansas City, MO

No Fate But What We Make. Rhodes' Clough-Hanson Gallery, Memphis, TN

2013

Binary Lore, Three Walls, Chicago, IL

How Do I Look, Roots and Culture, Chicago, IL

Edie Fake & Kevin Killian Secret Lives, Night Club, Chicago, IL

Naked Spaces: Architecture in Art from the Kinsey Institute Collection, Kinsey Institute Gallery, Bloomington, IN

2012

Binary Lore, Feldman Gallery, Pacific Northwest College of Art, Portland, OR

Blaque Lyte, curated by Chris Kerr and Paul Nudd, Telephone Booth, Kansas City, MO

The Sexual Life of Patterns, A lecture performance for The Center For Experimental Lectures, PS1, NY

All Good Things Become Wild and Free, H.F. Johnson Gallery, Carthage College, Kenosha, WI

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2011

Bless This Mess, Gallery 400, Chicago, IL

2009

FINGERS Tour, A twenty-city and five-week queer art and performance tour,
Collaboration with Lee Relvas

2008

Queer Zines, New York Art Book Fair, New York, NY

2007

Rainbow Dawn, Art In General, New York, NY, Collaboration with Lee Relvas
Sex In the City, Dumbo Art Center, Brooklyn, NY
Tent Show, Nikolaj Museum, Copenhagen, Denmark, Collaboration with Math Bass
Freundesfreundin, Schalter, Basel, Switzerland
Shared Women, LACE, Los Angeles, CA

2006

Flex Your Textiles, John Connelly Presents, New York, NY
PeaceCore Zine Tour, A twenty-city and five-week performance and book tour,
Collaboration with Lee Relvas

2004

PILOT TV, Nightgowns, Chicago, IL, Co-organizer for a four-day autonomous artists' TV
studio and conference focusing on Trans/Feminism

Selected Collections

Allen Memorial Art Museum, Oberlin, OH
Davis Museum at Wellesley College, Wellesley, MA
Des Moines Art Center, Iowa
Fidelity Investments Corporate Art Collection
Joan Flasch Artists' Book Collection, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL
KADIST, San Francisco/Paris
Kinsey Institute for Research in Sex, Gender, and Reproduction, Bloomington, Indiana
Nerman Museum of Contemporary Art, Overland Park, KS
Progressive Insurance Corporate Collection, OH
RISD Art Museum, Providence, RI

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Thomas J. Watson Library, Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York
Billy Ireland Cartoon Library & Museum, Columbus, OH

Select Publications

2018 Little Stranger, Published by Secret Acres, Los Angeles
2014 Memory Palaces, Published by Secret Acres, New York
2010 Gaylord Phoenix (collected), Published by Secret Acres, New York 2004-2006
LTTR, Contributor to issues #3 and #5

Grants and Awards

2012
Propeller Grant for The Chicago Alternative Comics Expo 2011 Ignatz Award for
Outstanding Graphic Novel

2010
Breakout Artist, New City, Chicago
Critical Fierceness Grant for queer art in Chicago

2009
Printed Matter's Awards for Artists recipient 2004 City of Chicago CAAP Grant for
Artists' Projects 2002 Pell Art History Award, RISD

Bibliography

2023
Hyperallergic. Lori Waxman, "Chicago's Drawing Biennial Has Something for
Everyone." January 23, 2023.

2022
The New Yorker. Alexander MacLeod, "Once Removed." February 7, 2022.
(illustration). Hi Desert Star. Staff, "Champions of Change artist to discuss new work in
Joshua Tree." March 18, 2022.

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2021

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Chicago Tribune. Christopher Borrelli, “‘Chicago Comics’ show about cartoonists headlines the proposed 2021 calendar at the MCA.” January 11, 2021.

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NewCity. Annie Howard, “Tending to Queer Histories: Edie Fake Returns to Chicago With Two Exhibitions.” June 28, 2021.

Chicago Reader. Dmitry Samarov, “Do comic strips belong in this museum?” June 29, 2021.

2020

Counting Knuckles. Lorraine Heitzman, “At Long Last ALAC.” February 27, 2020.

The New York Times. Edie Fake, “The Diary Project: A Drawing Exercise to Help See a Beautiful Way Forward.” August 21, 2020.

KOAA News5. Spencer Humphrey, “Murals go up in Colorado Springs to encourage voting.” October 4, 2020.

Fort Worth Business Press. FWBP Staff, “Fort Worth among cities in Facebook voting project.” October 5, 2020.

Colorado Springs Indy. Heidi Beedle, “Opinion: Queering the vote.” October 14, 2020.

2019

The Seen. Coco Picard, “The Weight of a Line: Art and Comics.” April 18, 2019.

Animation Magazine. Mercedes Milligan, “MoCCA Arts Festival Guests of Honor Announced.” Jan 23, 2019.

2018

Art in America. Kyle Macmillan, “Edie Fake.” Dec 1, 2018.

ArtNet. Joel Straus. “Chicago Art Advisor Joel Straus Recommends 8 Gallery Shows to See During EXPO Chicago.” September 27, 2018.

New City. B. David Zarley, “Building the Body from the Inside Out, A Review of Edie Fake at Western Exhibitions.” October 16, 2018.

The Smart Set. Chris Mautner, “Translating Identity: Reading L. Nichols and Edie Fake’s memoirs.” September 27, 2018.

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Juxtapoz Magazine. Joey Garfield, "Gut Rehab: Edie Fake's Elaborate and Maze-like Paintings @ Western Exhibitions, Chicago." September 14, 2018.

Chicago Tribune. KT Hawbaker, "With 'Gut Rehab' at Western Exhibitions, Edie Fake connects trans bodies with queer architecture." September 13, 2018.

The Paris Review. Renee Gladman and Edie Fake, "Cities of the Future, Their Color." Issue 225: Summer 2018.

Culture. Ann-Derrick Gaillot, "Edie Fake's 'Little Stranger' is the Most Delightfully Weird, Touching Comic You'll Read This Year." July 10, 2018.

An Interior. "Illustrated Identity." Summer 2018.

Portfolio spread. Hyperallergic. Anne Swartz, "The Pattern and Decoration Zeitgeist." June 13, 2018.

The Paris Review. "Announcing Our Summer Issue." June 5, 2018.

The Architects Newspaper. The Editors, "Artist Edie Fake explores gender identity and sexuality through architectural drawings." June 1, 2018.

Art News. Claire Sheldon, "Beyond the Surface: Miriam Schapiro's Endurina Leaacy is on Full View at the Museum of Arts and Design." April 24, 2018.

Hyperallergic. Alina Cohen, "How Miriam Schapiro's Feminist Work Transcended the Line between Art and Craft." (reproduction) March 29, 2018.

2017

Pilcher, Alex. A Queer Little History of Art. London: Tate Publishing, 2017.

Hyperallergic. Orion R. Martin, "When Comics Abandon Narrative and Venture into Abstraction." July 27, 2017.

The Standard. Los Angeles-art inspection, "The New Wave: 7 Emerging LA Artists You Should Know." July 20, 2017.

The New York Times. Krista Burton, "I Want My Lesbian Bars Back." (illustration) April 14, 2017.

2016

i-D. Bryony Stone, "The queer artists of fire island." July 14, 2016. Artspace.

Artspace Editors, "Surface Magazine Editor-in-Chief Spencer Bailey's Favorite Works from NADA New York 2016." May 4, 2016.

Contemporary Art Daily. "Edie Fake at Marlborough Chelsea." April 21, 2016.

Creator's Project. Gabrielle Bruney, "Intricate Architectural Drawings Are Allegories for Queer Bodies and Sex." April 2, 2016.

2015

Artnet News. Brian Boucher, "USC7 Dropout and Transgender Artist Edie Fake's Mesmerizing Drawings Explore Queer Geometries." June 8, 2015.

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Artnet. Caroline Massara, Kathleen "17 Must-See LGBTQ Exhibitions This Summer." June 25, 2015.

New City. Cardoza, Kerry. "Portrait of a Gallery: Trunk Show." May 30, 2015

Artforum.com. Katie Anania, "Friendship and Freedom." February 3, 2015.

The Hammer Museum Blog. Darin Klein, "CLOSE TO HOME: Spotlight on Local Artists at Printed Matter's LA Art Book Fair 2015 | Edie Fake." January 14, 2015.

2014

Los Angeles Review of Books. Joshua Michael Demaree, "Fake Places: The Work of Edie Fake." July 17, 2014.

The Reader. Noah Berlatsky, "Edie Fake's Memory Palaces dazzles." May 11, 2014.

The Pitch. Liz Cook, "Charlotte Street's Stench of Rotting Flowers: brilliantly decadent decay." April 22, 2014.

Animal New York. Karen Peltier and Brandon Soderberg, "Edie Fake's Memory Palaces Bring New Life to Forgotten Queer Spaces." April 4, 2014.

The Comics Journal. Graham Kolbeins, "Rad Queers: Edie Fake." Feb 5, 2014.

2013

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2012

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2011

Bad At Sports. Caroline Picard, "How to Draw Your Own Door." July 20, 2011.

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