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Kendall College of Art and Design

Lauren O'Connor-Korb

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San Jose State University

Erin Penland

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University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Rachelle Raymer-Gilbert

2012 Graduate

University of Toledo

Rachel Sard

2012 Graduate

Washington University in St. Louis

Mary Schartman

Senior

University of Cincinnati

Brendan Solinsky

Senior

Northern Michigan University

Note that each artist's academic status is as of their application to this project.

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RITES OF PASSAGE

Initiated in 2005, The Rites of Passage exhibits were developed in order to support student excellence by offering a public venue for the display of advanced creative research; to promote young artists as they transition into their professional careers; and to bring the positive creative energies of regional and national institutions together in one place.

The Rites call for submissions was open to undergraduate students graduating or expecting to graduate in 2012, 2013, or 2014. For this exhibit 188 artists representing 91 different college and university art programs in 32 states and 3 countries submitted 415 works for consideration.

Why is this project important?

Passing through an accredited college art program is one way among many to become an artist. While it does not guarantee success, it does serve as a measurable achievement, and if the degree granting institution is holding up its end of the bargain, each artist who attains a degree through such a program has met or surpassed certain standards. For programs which are appropriately

rigorous, passing a student is seriously meaningful business. Manifest's Rites of Passage is meant to serve as an external view into this process, across a broader scope than just one institution, and is offered as a bridge between academic pursuit and the general public. The exhibit catalogs for Rites will, over time, become a compelling document framing a view into the state of art in academia, and quite possibly the launching place for future notable artists of the world.

(All previous Rites catalogs are available to view and purchase at www.manifestgallery.org/manifestpress).

Manifest was founded by students and professors... to this day it continues to be operated by artists, teachers, professors, and students, most of whom are volunteers. RITES OF PASSAGE is one of the significant ways we honor the origins of Manifest, and the creative vibrancy of artists-becoming-artists, as well as the importance of the study and teaching of art in the academic institutions of today.

This project is intended to be a platform for professional practice, an experience of the *work* it takes to share one's art, and a venue for Manifest's highly respected peer, professor, professional critical jury to weigh in on academic achievement in visual art outside the confines of the institution of origin, and outside the consideration of commercial marketability or personal taste.

Our production of this project, year after year, is heartfelt. Everyone *here* has been *there*, as art students ourselves at one time. Our regular staff have been or are currently teachers and professors outside of Manifest. Most of us have young artistic children at home. From this vantage point, we see providing incentives and rewards for young artists taking such a huge risk and following a path in the challenging world of the visual arts as an absolutely essential act. Manifest believes people need more exposure to excellent visual art, and that society cannot be whole without creativity. Where else better to provide this need than with the new artists of today?

- Jason Franz, Executive Director



Derek Brennan (Senior, Bowling Green State University) **Young Pup and Knox**, graphite, gesso on panel, 42" x 30", 2012







Rhiannon Connor (Senior, Indiana University)

Afternoon Field, oil on panel,11" x 14", 2012





Hward of Excellence



Taylor Mazer (2012 Graduate, Kendall College of Art and Design) **Tow,** pen and ink, 11.5" x 7.5", 2013



Lauren O'Connor-Korb (2012 Graduate, San Jose State University) Survival of the Fittest, cast aluminum, hand cut wood plaque, 21" x 14.5" x 24", 2012



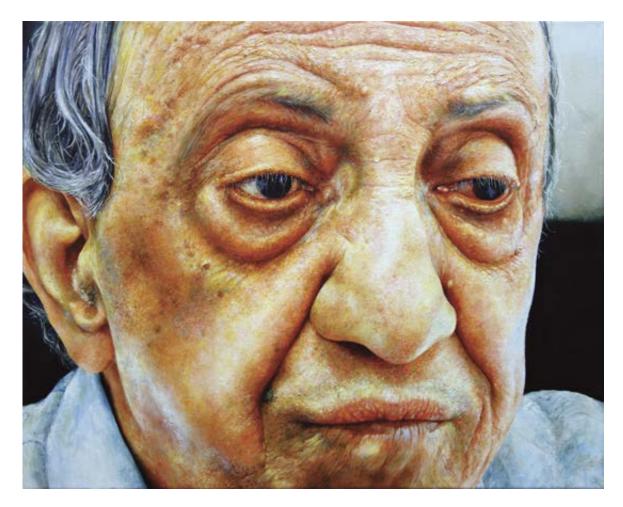


Erin Penland (2012 Graduate, University of North Carolina at Charlotte) **A Stronger Woman**, archival print, 24" x 16", 2012





Rachelle Raymer-Gilbert (2012 Graduate, University of Toledo) *Divide: Garden Wall*, ceramic, 17.25" x 26" x 4", 2011



Rachel Sard (2012 Graduate, Washington University in St. Louis) *The Jeweler,* oil on canvas, 24" x 30", 2012



Mary Schartman (Senior, University of Cincinnati) **Topo-Blocks (Left fork of North Creek),** CNC-milled birch blocks, variable, about 4" x 20" x 20", 2011





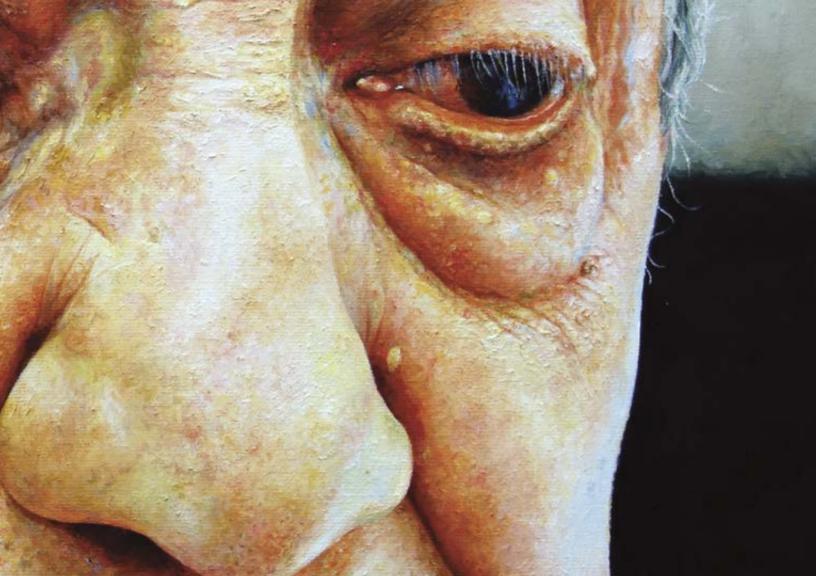
Brendan Solinsky (Senior, Northern Michigan University) **C Bench**, baltic birch and cast concrete, 19" x 16" x 27", 2012





Brendan Solinsky (Senior, Northern Michigan University) **C Bench 2**, baltic birch and cast concrete, 19" x 16" x 27", 2012







Nimer Aleck Austin, Texas

Carol Ashton-Hergenhan Bensalem, Pennsylvania

Michael Aurbach Nashville, Tennessee

Donald Beal *Provincetown, Massachusetts*

Christie Blizard Columbus, Indiana

Susan Bryant Clarksville, Tennessee Preston Buchtel Cleveland, Ohio

Julie Chabrian Port Orange, Florida

Alice Coulter Bethel, Ohio

William DeBernardi Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

John Ferry *Prairie Village, Kansas*

Tyler Graffam *Manchester, New Hampshire*

Inkeri Harri Helsinki, Finland

Brandon Hearty Alberta, Canada

Robin Hextrum *Aliso Viejo, California*

Carole P. Kunstadt New York, New York

Dylan Mize *Warrensburg, Missouri*

Dora Natella *Granger, Indiana* Jeremy Plunkett Glendale, Wisconsin

Seana Reilly Atlanta, Georgia

Julia Romano *Córdoba, Argentina*

Chris Sedgwick Colorado Springs, Colorado

Rabecca Signoriello New Castle, Pennsylvania

Jesse Thomas Yellow Springs, Ohio Jessica Tolbert Urbana, Illinois

Lisa Wicka West Lafayette, Indiana

Molly Wicks Brookings, South Dakota

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MAGNITUDE-7

May 31 - June 28, 2013

Back in 2005 Manifest launched the Magnitude 7 project with the idea that small works would be easier and more affordable for artists to send to Manifest from anywhere in the world. This proved true, and right off it was this project that lead to Manifest gaining the tag line 'a neighborhood gallery for the world.' This iteration of the exhibit is no different, with works coming together from all across the U.S. and the countries of Argentina, Canada, and Finland.

Inevitably Mag 7 is a melange of various works, including an extremely wide range of media, styles, and artist intents. The exhibit always gains unity from the common scale, so even very different works seem to engage in playful and tolerant conversation across the gallery or side by side. We have found that having a couple of galleries full of hand-sized works is somehow a relief steeped in the joy of small things well made, a menagerie of creativity, and a poignant reminder that bigger is not always better.

We are delighted to offer this ninth annual exhibit of works no larger than about seven inches in any dimension.

For this incarnation of the project 253 artists submitted 523 works for consideration by Manifest's rigorous jury process. Thirty-two works by these 27 artists from 18 states and 3 countries were selected for presentation in the gallery and this catalog.







Nimer Aleck, Austin, Texas *3 nails 1 tiny hammer*, 3d printed stainless steel, oak, rayon flocking, nails, 1.5" x 5.75" x 3.75", 2013





Michael Aurbach, Nashville, Tennessee **Third Eye: Blind Transcendentalist**, mixed media, 4" x 5.5" x 6", 2011





Christie Blizard, Columbus, Indiana

Spectrogram of 2 seconds of Living room noise recorded on 1/16/13, found paper, glue, tape, 7" x 7", 2013



Susan Bryant, Clarksville, Tennessee *Vacation*, collodion ambrotype, 5" x 4", 2013



Preston Buchtel, Cleveland, Ohio **Crossing**, postcard and teabags, 5.5" x 6.5", 2008



Julie Chabrian, Port Orange, Florida Sample_1920 South Water Street, steel, pine, copper, glass, fiberglass, tile, plywood, carpet padding & carpet, 3.75" x 3 9.57" x 5.25", 2013



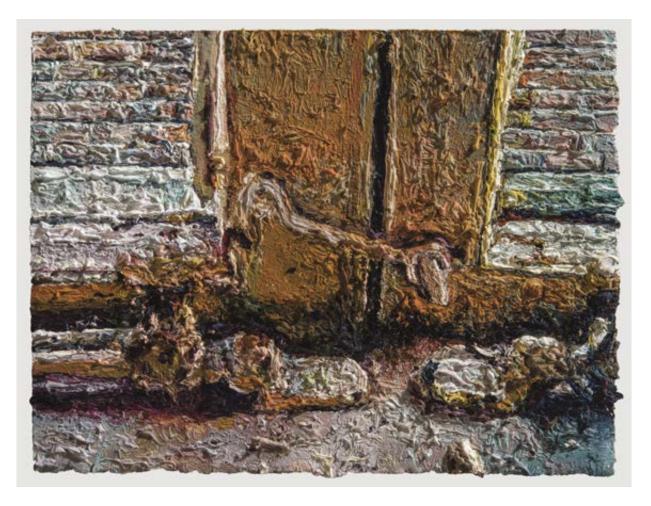
Alice Coulter, Bethel, Ohio **Untitled**, collage, 6" x 4.25", 2012



Alice Coulter, Bethel, Ohio Natural Selection, collage, 6" x 4.25", 2012



William DeBernardi, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania *Mussel Shell*, oil on panel, 4.75" x 3.75", 2012



John Ferry, Prairie Village, Kansas *Garage Window #1*, oil on panel, 5.5" x 7", 2012



John Ferry, Prairie Village, Kansas *Decatur # 6,* oil on panel, 6" x 6", 2013



Tyler Graffam, Manchester, New Hampshire *Username: Blaze,* oil on canvas, 6" x 6", 2013



Tyler Graffam, Manchester, New Hampshire **Username: Ont,** oil and oil pastel on wood, 6" x 6", 2013



Inkeri Harri, Helsinki, Finland *The Boy and the Skull*, epoxy, 3.74" x 4.72" x 1.57", 2013



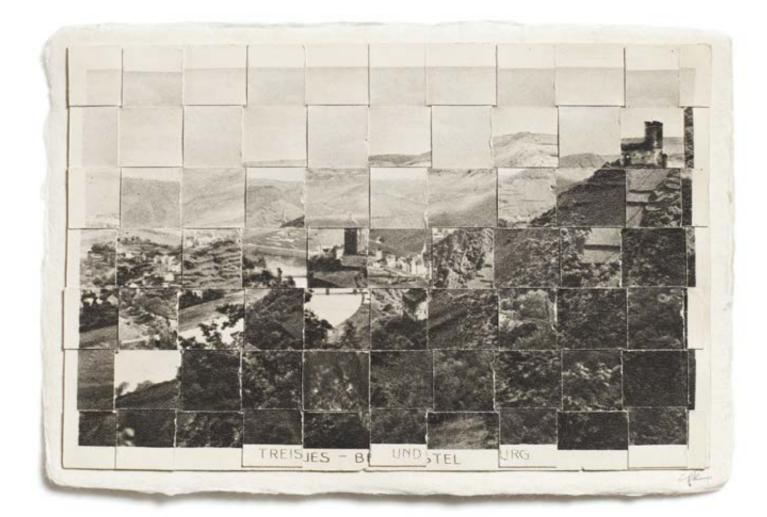
Brandon Hearty, Magrath, Alberta, Canada **A Portrait of a Woman**, oil on panel, 3.125" x 2.125", 2012



Robin Hextrum, Aliso Viejo, California **Fortune Cookie,** oil on wood panel, 4" x 4", 2012









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Dylan Mize, Warrensburg, Missouri **Untitled**, acrylic on masonite, 7" x 6", 2013



Dora Natella, Granger, Indiana **Journey Within #2,** terra cotta, 7" x 7" x 6", 2013





Jeremy Plunkett, Glendale, Wisconsin *Ghost*, oil on panel, 6" x 4", 2012









Julia Romano, Cordoba, Argentina **Landscape Studies - De Haes I,** photography and digital collage, 7" x 5.19", 2013



Julia Romano, Cordoba, Argentina Landscape Studies - De Haes II, photography and digital collage, 7" x 4.61", 2013



Julia Romano, Cordoba, Argentina Landscape Studies - Van Ruysdael II, photography and digital collage, 7" x 5.44", 2013



Chris Sedgwick, Colorado Springs, Colorado **Seer**, oil & gold leaf on birch, 4.75" x 5.5", 2012

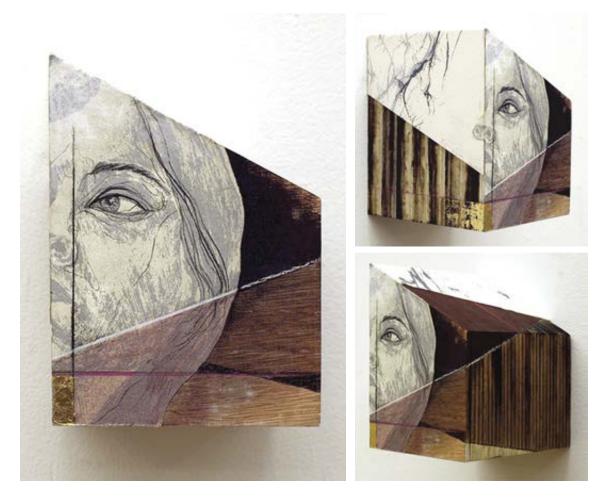


Rabecca Signoriello, New Castle, Pensylvannia *What Am I Doing*, oil on panel, 6" x 6", 2013

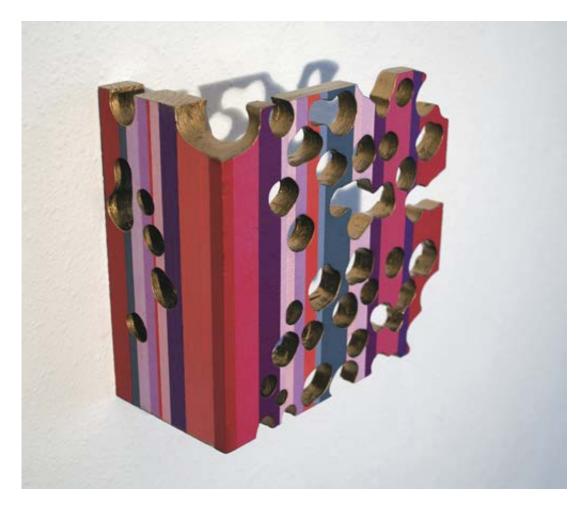


Jesse Thomas, Yellow Springs, Ohio *OVW*, homemade oil on panel, 6" x 6", 2012





Lisa Wicka, West Lafayette, Indiana Construct XXVII, screenprint, gouache, varnish, gold leaf, charcoal & Prismacolor, 6.25" x 4.5" x 5", 2013



Molly Wicks, Brookings, South Dakota **Golden Reds,** acrylic and enamel on panel, 6" x 6" x 3.5", 2013

About Manifest

Founded in 2004 by professors and students from area Universities, Manifest Creative Research Gallery and Drawing Center is a 501(c)(3) non-profit arts organization headquartered in the historic urban neighborhood of East Walnut Hills in Cincinnati, Ohio. The 1000 square foot museum-quality street level gallery offers three distinct exhibition spaces, and is minutes away from downtown Cincinnati, and the numerous academic institutions of higher learning in the region. Its central location in the Woodburn Avenue district and DeSales Corner places it within an energetic, creative, and revitalizing community that includes other galleries, shops, restaurants and artists' studios

The gallery benefits from its location within easy walking distance of a historic neighborhood populated by residents from all walks of life. The galleries are free and open to the public five hours a day, five days a week, presenting works of all kinds by student and professional artists from around the world. The Manifest Drawing Center Studio is located in nearby Madisonville.

Manifest is supported by grants and public donations and has the goal to support student professionalism, integrate the arts into the urban residential community and raise the bar on artistic standards. The mission also includes the exploration of the relationship between art and design, as well as the ongoing support and display of drawing in all its various forms.

Mission

Manifest stands for

the quality presentation, experience, and documentation of the visual arts, engaging students, professionals, and the public from around the world through accessible world-class exhibits, studio programs, and publications.

Manifest Gallery

...a neighborhood gallery for the world.

Manifest Press

...take every exhibit home.

Manifest Drawing Center

...making artists better.

Manifest Artist Residency

...supporting individual artists.

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