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## CATE WOODRUFF



Cate Woodruff lives, works and has studios in New York City, Woodstock and Catskill, NY and Sardinia, Italy, and studied at the London Academy of Music and Dramatic Arts, Webster University's Theatre Conservatory and the Institute for Advanced Theatre Training at Harvard. She is a self-taught visual artist who gravitated to the New York avant-garde of the 70s/80s. Experimenting in many mediums, she moved permanently to New York City's East Village in 1980 to work in experimental theater, and with legendary fashion photographer Gösta Peterson, who asked that she work in his photography studio as an esthetic collaborator, developing his photographs.

Woodruff has work in international museums and public collections and in outer space, including MoMA Pop Rally, NYC; The International Center for Photography, NYC; The Contemporary Art Museum of Cagliari, Galleria Comunale d'art, Cagliari, Sardinia, Italy; Fondazione Bartoli Felter, Cagliari, Sardinia Italy; NYU Science Center Permanent Collection; NYU Orthopedic Center Permanent Collection; NASA - onboard the Origins, Spectral Interpretation, Resource Identification, Security-Regolith Explorer (OSIRIS-Rex) spacecraft on its journey to the Bennu asteroid, revolving around the sun for millennia.

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## Artist Statement

Objects seem defined, but experiences are fleeting and impermanent. There is no separation in the life force, the molecules that hold us all together.

When I work with reflective surfaces and homemade camera lenses crafted from found objects, photographs reveal unnoticed space, energy and light.

Letting go of what I believe in with my eyes, allows me to pass through the wall of conceptualization and photograph what I don't habitually fixate on, to see what we are all absolutely comprised of.

Out-of-form matter appears as visual vibration, without classification in place or space. In this formless intimacy there is a chance to remain open before the construction or configuration of an object has been visually defined, before something becomes recognizable.

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## Education

1987 - Harvard University - The Institute for Advanced Theatre Training - Graduate Program

1978 - London Academy of Music and Dramatic Arts

1980 - Webster University BA in Theatre Arts

## Solo Exhibitions

2020 - Light Minded

SL Gallery, NYC

(Curated by William Schwinghammer and Tony Long)

2019 - Light At Heart

Fondazione Bartoli Felter - Cagliari, Sardinia, Italy

(Curated by - Paola Mura)

2018 - Cate Woodruff: Luminosity

NYU Langone Art Gallery - NYC

(Curated by Katherine Meehan)

2017 - Reflections

395 Johnson - Bushwick, Brooklyn, NY

(Curated by BOS)

2016 - Ins Licht

Fellini Gallery - Berlin, Germany

(Curated by Yuri)

2016 - Luminosity: The Landscape of Light

Gallery PMA - Cagliari, Sardinia, Italy

(Curated by Paola Mura)

2015 - Lume

Naera Arts - Philadelphia, PA

(Curated by Naera Kim)

2015 - Beyond Form

395 Johnson - Bushwick, Brooklyn, NY

(Curated by BOS)

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2015 - National Composers Night Out  
The American Composers Forum - St. Paul, MN  
(Curated by David Van Tieghem)

2014 - Are we here yet!  
The Red Dot - Hudson, NY  
(Curated by Richard Timperio)

2013 - Cate Woodruff Photography  
Balaclava Gallery - online  
(Curated by Sara and the Balaclava team)

2011 - Into the Light of Paros  
Apothiki Art Center - Paros Island, Greece  
(Curated by Dirk Drijbooms)

2010 - MUTEK A/VISIONS - Lissom and The Jutro Experiment  
Biennial of the Americas - Denver, CO  
(Curated by Brandon Wolcott, David Van Tieghem,  
Tana Sprague, Morgan Packard)

## **Group Exhibitions**

2018 - NYC/Cagliari  
Five Senses Festival, Washington, CT (with David Van Tieghem, Marilyn Minter, William Kentridge and Pilobolus Dance Company)

2018 - trasparenze di Passaggio  
Galleria Comunale d'Arte, Castello di San Michele, Casa Falconieri - Cagliari, Sardinia, Italy (Curators - Dario Piludu and Gabriella Locci)

2017 - Kings and Presidents  
Trunk Club/The Villard Mansion - Madison Avenue, NYC  
(Curator David Justin)

2017 - Making the Future  
David & Schweitzer Contemporary - Bushwick, Brooklyn, NY  
(Curators Michael David and Julie Torres)

2016 - Through the Rabbit Hole  
Sideshow Gallery - Williamsburg, Brooklyn, NY  
(Curated by Richard Timperio)

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2015 - Making History

Storefront Ten Eyck - Bushwick, Brooklyn, NY

(Curators - Krista Saunders and Dexter Wimberly)

2015 - Krappy Kamera

Soho Photo Gallery - NYC

(Curated by Myra Hafetz)

2015 - Sideshow Nation III: Circle the Wagons!!!

Sideshow Gallery - Williamsburg, Brooklyn, NY

(Curated by Richard Timperio)

2015 - Snap to Grid

Los Angeles Center for Digital Art - LA

(Curated by Rex Bruce)

2014 - 56 Bogart Artists Group Show

BOS - Bushwick, Brooklyn, NY

(Curated by Studio 7)

2014 - Kaiju

Resobox Gallery - Long Island City, NY

(Curated by Sanpo Matsumoto, Takashi Ikezawa, Ayakoh Furukawa)

2014 - At the Alamo

Sideshow Gallery - Williamsburg Brooklyn, NY

(Curated by Richard Timperio)

2013 - WOMEN IN CHARGE

Soho20 Gallery - Chelsea, NYC

(Curated by Jenn Dierdorf)

2013 - The World Through My Eyes

Art Scene Today Online

(Curated by Juanita Lanzo, The Bronx Council of the Arts Longwood Art Gallery)

2013 - PopRally MoMA: Abstract Currents

MoMA - NYC

(Curated by Natalia Leginowicz)

2013 - 40th Anniversary

Soho20 Gallery - Chelsea, NYC

(Curated by Jenn Dierdorf)

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2013 - Sideshow Nation

Sideshow Gallery - Williamsburg, Brooklyn, NY

(Curated by Richard Timperio)

2012 - Occupy!

International Center of Photography - NYC/Governor's Island, NY

(Curated by Rachel Seed)

2012 - Cowgirls of the Hudson River Valley #4

BRIK Gallery - Catskill, NY

(Curated by Richard Timperio)

2012 - Backlash (On Women's Basic Rights & Freedoms)

Soho20 Gallery - Chelsea, NYC

(Curated by Jenn Dierdorf)

2012 - An Eye for an Ear

Galerie Huit - Arles, France

International Photography Festival Les Rencontres d'Arles 2012

(Curated by Vanja Karas)

2012 - Wall Street to Main Street

Sarah Barker Studio - Catskill, NY

(Organized by artists, writers and curators from the Hudson Valley and Occupy With Art, an affiliation group with Occupy Wall Street General Assembly, Arts and Culture Working Group)

2012 - WATER

Muroff Kotler Visual Arts Gallery/SUNY Ulster - Stone Ridge, NY

(Curated by Portia Munson)

2012 - MIC CHECK

Sideshow Gallery - Williamsburg, Brooklyn, NY

(Curated by Richard Timperio)

2011 - Guns

Kleinert/James Arts Center - Woodstock, NY

(Curated by Portia Munson)

2011 - All for One

Kleinert/James Arts Center - Woodstock, NY

(Curated by Carla Smith)

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2011 - Pre-Post Actions in YouPorn's Categories of Sex  
Blissland Sound and Vision - Berlin, Germany  
(Curated by Gemma Ghelardi, Antonio Gallucci)

2011 - C.A.O.S - Roma  
CulturalArtistsOpenSpace - Rome, Italy  
(Curated by Stefano Franco)

2011 - It's All Good!!! (Apocalypse Now)  
Sideshow Gallery - Williamsburg, Brooklyn, NY  
(Curated by Richard Timperio)

2011 - Cowgirls of the Hudson River Valley  
BRIK Gallery - Catskill, NY  
(Curated by Richard Timperio)

2009 - Garden Goddesses  
Arts Walk - CCC Gallery - Catskill, NY  
(Curated by Portia Munson)

2009 - Garden Goddesses  
Arts Walk - Historical Materialism - Hudson, NY  
(Curated by Dina Palin and Portia Munson)

2009 - WGXC Sound-Voice  
BRIK Gallery - Catskill, NY  
(Curated by Sam Truitt, Fawn Potash)

2007 - Outdoors  
Coffey Gallery - Kingston, NY  
(Curated by Katharine McKenna)

2006 - In Shadows  
Warwick Arts Center - Warwick, NY  
(Curated by Daniel Mack)

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## Curated

2015 - This Could Be the Start of Something Big!  
Ken Butler and David Van Tieghem  
Sideshow Gallery

2011 - Living Here  
Karma Triyana Dharmachakra Monastery, Woodstock NY

2011 - Garden Goddesses  
Woodstock Playhouse - Woodstock, NY

2002 - Innocence  
Gallery Circo all'Antico - West Hurley, NY  
(with Sculptor John Kahn, David Van Tieghem and Dave Jones)

2002 - Art in Wood  
Gallery Circo all'Antico - West Hurley, NY

2002 - Games  
Gallery Circo all'Antico - West Hurley, NY

1992 - Liberace: The Magic of Believing  
Set Design with Ed Paschke for Theatre X, Milwaukee, WI

## Residencies

2016 - Gallery PMA Residency - Cagliari, Sardinia, Italy

2016 - Galerie Huit Residency - Arles, France

2014 - Emily Harvey Foundation - Venice, Italy  
(Collaboration with Resident Artist David Van Tieghem)

2008 - 2012 Byrdcliffe Artist in Residence - Woodstock, NY

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## Collections

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International Center for Photography - NYC

NYU Langone Science Center – NYC

NYU Langone Orthopedic Center – NYC

Fondazione Bartoli Felter - Cagliari, Sardinia, Italy

Galleria comunale d'arte – Cagliari, Sardinia, Italy

Woodstock Byrdcliffe Guild – Woodstock, NY

Numerous Private Collections



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