# KATE WERBLE GALLERY

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### **LAUREL SPARKS**

Born 1972, Phoenix, AZ Lives and works in Brooklyn, NY

#### **EDUCATION**

MFA Milton Avery Graduate School of Art, Bard College, Annandale-On-Hudson, NY
 BFA School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA, Tufts University, Medford, MA

### **SELECTED SOLO AND TWO-PERSON EXHIBITIONS**

2016	Magic Squares, Barbara Walters Gallery at Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, NY
2015	Rubedo, Kate Werble Gallery, New York, NY
2014	Esoterico Collective, Brooklyn, NY
2012	Iconoclasts, Montserrat College of Art, Beverly, MA
	Angels of Light, Howard Yezerski Gallery, Boston, MA
2011	Against Nature, 443 PAS, New York, NY
2009	Pleasure Dome, Howard Yezerski Gallery, Boston, MA
2007	Christmas in July, Howard Yezerski Gallery, Boston, MA

### **SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS**

2017 2016	Post-Election, SEPTEMBER Gallery, Hudson, NY XXXmASS, Kate Werble Gallery, New York, NY Magic, Mercer County Community College, West Windsor, NJ Tomorrow's Man, University of Nevada, Reno's Museum, NV
2015	Coal for Wine, Fine Art Building Gallery, Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA Coal for Wine, Brennan and Griffin, New York, NY Wayfarers, Berman Museum, Ursinus College, Collegeville, PA RBPMW SIP Fellowship Show II, Elizabeth Foundation Gallery, New York, NY Pure Paint for Now People, Mary Elizabeth Dee Shaw Gallery, Weber State University, Ogden, UT
2014	FIAR Alumni Exhibition, Leslie Lohman Museum for Gay and Lesbian Art, New York, NY The Last Brucennial, New York, NY Real Estate, Ventana 244, Brooklyn, NY Parallels: Investigation of Geometry and Gesture, Bannister Gallery, Rhode Island College, Providence, RI
2013	See With Fingers, Barbara Walters Gallery, Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, NY Queer History of Fashion: From the Closet to the Catwalk, The Museum at FIT, New York, NY The Pink Panther Imitates Nothing, Memorial Hall Painting Gallery, Rhode Island School of Design, Providence, RI
2012	Bazaar, Soloway Gallery, Brooklyn, NY Simpatico, Boston University Art Gallery, Boston, MA Past and Present, Parks Exhibition Center, Idyllwild Arts Academy, Idyllwild, CA Editions/Artists Books Fair, New York, NY
2011	Affinities: Painting in Abstraction, D'Amelio Terras, New York, NY Shakedown, Dodge Gallery, New York, NY Trans Medium, Limerick-Frazier Gallery, Austin, TX Editions/Artists Books Fair, New York, NY In Like a Lion, 443 PAS, New York, NY

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Dependent Fair, Soloway Gallery, New York, NY

2010 Biennial Exhibition, Decordova Museum and Sculpture Park, Lincoln, MA

Dramatis Personae, Dodge Gallery, New York, NY

No Vacancy, (Curated By CLEOPATRA'S), ARTSTAR, artstar.com, New York, NY

Painting Now, Grimshaw-Gudewicz Art Gallery, Fall River, MA

2009 Affinities: Painting in Abstraction, Rhode Island School of Design, Memorial Hall Painting Gallery,

Providence, RI

2008 Traveling Scholars Exhibition, Museum Of Fine Arts, Boston, MA

Affinities: Painting in Abstraction, Berrie Center for Performing and Visual Arts, Ramapo College,

Mahwah, NJ

The Guys We Would F\*ck, (Curated by Nayland Blake), Monya Rowe Gallery, New York, NY

2007 Affinities: Painting in Abstraction, Hessel Museum of Art, Bard Center for Curatorial Studies,

Annandale-on-Hudson, NY

Big Bang: Abstract Painting for the 21st Century, Decordova Museum and Sculpture Park,

Lincoln, MA

Laurel Sparks and Hannah Barrett, Artunited, Vienna, Austria

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### AWARDS, GRANTS AND RESIDENCIES

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	New York, NY
2013	Fire Island Artist Residency, Fire Island, NY
2012	New American Painting, Northeast Edition, Finalist
2011	Residenza del Palmerino, Associazione Culturale II Palmerino, Firenze, Italy
2008	New American Paintings, Northeast Edition, Finalist
2007	Berkshire Taconic Community Foundation Grant, Great Barrington, MA
2006	School of The Museum Of Fine Arts, Alumni Traveling Scholarship Award, Boston, MA
2004	Massachusetts Cultural Council, Finalist Painting Grant
2003	Elaine De Kooning Painting Fellowship, Annandale-On-Hudson, NY

### **PUBLIC COLLECTIONS**

DeCordova Museum and Sculpture Park, Lincoln, MA Berman Museum, Ursinus College, Collegeville, PA Fidelity Investments Corporate Art Collection, Boston, MA