

## Esther Hz

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1980 Born in San Antonio, TX  
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### Solo Exhibitions

2022 *Tired Iron Slump Dump*, Storeroom, Denver, CO  
2021 *Acausal*, Understudy, Denver, CO

### Group Exhibitions

2023 *AGRIculture*, Boulder Museum of Contemporary Art, Boulder, CO  
2022 *UnGala Retro Future*, PlatteForum, Denver  
*Aura*, Union Hall, Denver, CO  
*Unfolding Stories: Visions by Contemporary Women Artists*, UNC, Greeley, CO  
2021 *Wild Wild - The Continuation of True West*, The BRDG Project, Denver, CO  
*Epic Gala Exhibition*, Rino ArtPark, Denver, CO  
2020 *One Square Foot and Six Feet Apart*, RedLine, Denver, CO  
*Reckless Abandon*, Telluride Arts District Headquarters, Telluride, CO  
*2nd Annual KiKi*, Telluride Transfer Warehouse, Telluride, CO  
2019 *Sexxxhibition*, Artgym, Denver, CO  
*Now That I have Your (Un)Divided Attention*, RedLine, Denver, CO  
2018 *Window Wells*, Yes Ma'am, Denver, CO (curated by Derrick Velasquez)  
*Messages to Our Mothers*, RedLine, Denver, CO  
*One Square Foot*, RedLine, Denver, CO  
*10x*, RedLine, Denver, CO (curated by Cortney Stell)  
2017 *48 Hours*, RedLine, Denver, CO  
*ArtCorps Annual Exhibit*, RedLine, Denver, CO  
*Drive-In: Car Culture*, Black Cube, Denver, CO (curated by Cortney Stell)  
*Nice Work If You Can Get It*, RedLine, Denver, CO (curated by Daisy McGowan)  
*One Square Foot*, RedLine, Denver, CO  
*Redline Resident Exhibit*, Susan K Arndt Gallery, Denver, CO

### Performances

2022 *Epic Gala*, RiNo ArtPark, Denver, CO  
2021 *Liminal*, Soul Stories and Mercury Cafe Denver, CO  
2019 *2nd Annual Performance Art Series*, Leon Gallery, Denver, CO  
*To All My Neighbors*, Georgia Art Space, Denver, CO  
*Untitled: Final Fridays*, Denver Art Museum, Denver, CO  
2018 *48 Hours*, RedLine, Denver, CO (collaboration with Yo Yo Ma and Sammy Lee)  
*Untitled: Final Fridays*, Denver Art Museum, Denver, CO

- Making Time*, PlatteForum, Denver, CO (collaboration with ArtLab interns)  
*Of The Moment*, Leon Gallery, Denver, CO  
*Blind Date*, Museum of Contemporary Art, Denver, CO (with Failure Lab interns)
- 2017 *Archives as Muse*, Leon Gallery, Denver, CO  
*Epic Gala*, RedLine, Denver, CO  
*Imagination*, Downtown Aurora Visual Arts, Aurora, CO
- 2016 *Performance Art NOW!* Biennial Pavilion, Denver, CO in coordination with RedLine and the Biennial of The Americas  
*Institute for Non-Bizarre Treatment*, RedLine, Denver, CO  
*Monumental*, Redline, Denver, CO
- 2015 *Love is Love*, Emmanuel Gallery, Denver, CO  
*I Want To Eat Your Face*, Private Residence, Denver, CO
- 2014 *First Annual March For Absurdity*, 16th St. Mall, Denver, CO  
*What's Happening at Albertsons*, Albertsons, Denver, CO

### **Curatorial Projects**

- 2023 *Through Flesh to Infinity*, Denver, CO  
*As You Are*, Union Hall, Denver, CO  
*Traverse*, Union Hall, Denver, CO  
*Tender Machines*, Union Hall, Denver, CO
- 2022 *Sweaty Wedding*, Union Hall, Denver, CO  
*One Foot in the Grave*, Union Hall, Denver, CO
- 2021 *Threads: Migration Connects Us All*, The BRDG Project, Denver, CO
- 2019 *Untitled: Final Fridays*, Denver Art Museum, Denver, CO  
*The Obscured Self- A Ghillie Suit Fashion Show*, RedLine, Denver, CO
- 2018 *Artist Curated V-day Dinner Fundraiser*, Redline, Denver, CO
- 2017 *The Obscured Self- A Ghillie Suit Fashion Show*, RedLine, Denver, CO

### **Screenings/Presentations**

- 2023 *Teaching For Artistic Behavior*, Denver Art Museum, Denver, CO
- 2021 *Clock Watching*, Black Cube, Denver, CO
- 2018 *Orphan Films*, Denver Film Festival, McNichols Building, Denver, CO
- 2017 *Making The Mountain: Meet the Presenters*, Lighthouse, Denver, CO  
*Archives As Muse*, McNichols Building, Denver, CO

### **Mentoring/Teaching**

- 2022 CSU, Ft. Collins, CO  
 UNC Greeley, Greeley, CO  
 Museum of Contemporary Art, Creators Studio (June - July)
- 2018 Resilience Rising alumni mentor, Denver, CO  
 PlatteForum Art Lab, Denver, CO (September 1 - November 1)

Museum of Contemporary Art Failure Lab program, Denver, CO (March 7 - May 1)  
Creative Industries Internship, CVA, Denver, CO (July 12/25)  
2017 ArtCorps Mentor, Whittier Elementary School, Denver, CO (fall semester- spring semester)

### **Residencies**

2021 - 2022 XDenver Studios, Denver, CO  
2018 PlatteForum, Denver, CO (September - November)  
2016 - 2018 Redline, Denver, CO (September - August)

### **Print Media and Press**

2023 *Work In Progress with Esther Hz*, Gina Pugliese, Southwest Contemporary  
*Vague Force*, Femme Salee  
2021 *Esther Hernandez Explores Coincidence in Acausal*, Alexander Elmore, Westword  
2020 *Inclusion*, Black Cube hardcover publication  
2018 *Shame*, Stain'd magazine  
*Filling Our Need For a Shamanic Angel*, Lauri Lynnx Murphy, One Good Eye  
*Esther Hernandez is Obsessed With Turning Awkward Blind Dates in Art*, Stephanie Wolf,  
Colorado Public Radio  
2017 *The Masculinity Issue*, Stain'd magazine  
100 Colorado Creatives by Susan Froyd  
2014 *First Annual March for Absurdity Brings Weirdness to The Streets*, Westword

### **Awards and Grants**

2023 Insite Fund Grant  
2020 Red Bull Micro Grant Award

### **Work History**

2022 - current Union Hall Chief Curator  
2022 - current Black Ball Projects, Executive Assistant  
2021 - current Art Moves Podcast, Producer and Host  
2019 - 2021 PlatteForum, Associate Director, Creative Program Manager