

## **Esther Hernandez**

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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**

2024 *Pink! [Exhibition]*, Not Real Art, curated by Morgan Laurens, digital exhibition

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*, Union Hall, 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 *Month of Video*, Denver Art Museum, Denver, CO  
*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**

- 2024 MCA Failure Lab (spring semester)
- 2023 Union Hall, Rough Gems mentor
- 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 Lynnxe 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 - 2023 Black Ball Projects, Executive Assistant  
2021 - 2023 Art Moves Podcast, Producer and Host  
2019 - 2021 PlatteForum, Associate Director, Creative Program Manager