## Alexandra Grant Lives and works in Los Angeles, CA and Berlin, Germany

# Education

- 2000 MFA, Drawing and Painting, California College of Arts and Crafts, San Francisco, CA.
- 1995 BA, History and Studio Art, Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, PA.

# Solo Exhibitions

- 2024 Alexandra Grant: Word, Image, Space, Adam Mickiewicz Museum of Literature, Warsaw, Poland
- 2023 Antigone 3000, Miles McEnery Gallery, New York, NY.
- 2022 Mantra, Positive Art Center, Seoul, Korea.
- 2021 Solo Booth, OCHI Projects, Marfa Invitational, Marfa, TX.
- 2020 Telepathy is One Step Further Than Empathy, Orange County Museum of Art, Costa Mesa, CA.
- 2019 Born to Love, Lowell Ryan Projects, Los Angeles, CA.
- 2017 Shadows, Galerie Gradiva, Paris, France. ghost town, Galería Marco Augusto Quiroa en Casa Santo Domingo, Antigua, Guatemala. Antigone is you is me, Eastern Star Gallery, Archer School for Girls, Los Angeles, CA.
- 2016 Shadows, Ochi Gallery, Sun Valley, ID. ghost town, 20th Bienal de Arte Paiz, Guatemala City, Guatemala.
- 2015 A Perpetual Slow Circle, Ochi Gallery, Sun Valley, ID.
- 2014 Century of the Self, Lora Reynolds Gallery, Austin, TX.
- 2013 Forêt Intérieure/Interior Forest, Mains d'Oeuvres, Saint Ouen, France. Forêt Intérieure/Interior Forest, 18th Street Arts Center, Santa Monica, CA.
- 2011 The Womb-Womb Room, Collaboration with Channing Hansen, Night Gallery, Los Angeles, CA.
- 2010 Bodies, Honor Fraser Gallery, Los Angeles, CA.
- 2008 A.D.D.G. (aux dehors de guillemets), Honor Fraser Gallery, Los Angeles, CA.
- 2007 MOCA Focus Show, Curated by Alma Ruiz, Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, CA.
- 2004 Homecoming, Gallery Sixteen:One, Santa Monica, CA.

# Selected Group Exhibitions

- 2024 PLAYground, Artbug Gallery, Los Angeles, CA.
- 2023 Migration, PRJCTLA @ CMAY Gallery, Los Angeles, CA.
  13 Women: Variation V, Orange County Museum of Art, Costa Mesa, CA.
  13 Women: Variation IV, Orange County Museum of Art, Costa Mesa, CA.
  MATERIAL, The Floating Gallery, Los Angeles, CA.
  Don't Believe Everything You Think, The Brand Library & Art Center, Glendale, CA.
  Showroom carlier I gebauer, Berlin, DE.
  papier & klang, Willy-Brandt-Haus e.V., Berlin, DE.
- 2022 Portrait Show, CMAY Gallery, Los Angeles, CA.
   NL XX LA, Frank Taal Gallery, Rotterdam, Netherlands.
   NL XX LA, PRJTLA, Los Angeles, CA.
   Cuando el tiempo se rompió, Museo de la Ciudad de Mexico, Mexico City, Mexico.
   It's My House!, CURA Art with Porch Gallery, Ojai, CA.
- 2021 Art and Hope at the End of the Tunnel, USC Fisher Museum, Los Angeles, CA. The Youngest Day, carlierlgebauer, Berlin, DE.

- 2020 Motel, Peralta Projects, Denver, CO. LA: Night & Day, The Lodge, Los Angeles, CA.
- 2019 Oneiric Landscapes, Five Car Garage, Los Angeles, CA.
- 2018 The 40th Anniversary Show, Fredric Snitzer, Miami, FL.
- 2017 Flaming June VII (Flaming Creatures), Gavlak Gallery, Los Angeles, CA.
- 2016 L.A. Exuberance: New Gifts by Artists, Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA.
- 2015 These Carnations Defy Language, Alexandra Grant and Steve Roden, Pasadena Museum of California Art, Pasadena, CA. We Must Risk Delight: 20 Artists from Los Angeles, La Biennale di Venezia, Biennale Arte 2015,

curated by bardoLA at Accademia di Belle Arti di Venezia, Venice, Italy.

2014 The Avant-Garde Collection, Orange County Museum of Art, Newport Beach, CA. Postscript: Writing After Conceptual Art, the Broad Museum at Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI.

LOVE: Creativity, Connection, Community, Montalvo Arts Center, Saratoga, CA.

- 2013 Drawn to Language, USC Fisher Museum, Los Angeles, CA. Postscript: Writing After Conceptual Art, The Power Plant, Toronto, Canada. Painting in Place, LAND, Los Angeles, CA.
- 2012 Drawing Surrealism, curated by Leslie Jones, Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA. Postscript: Writing After Conceptual Art, Museum of Contemporary Art, Denver, CO. Niki de Saint Phalle, Tirs: Reloaded, Here is Elsewhere Gallery, West Hollywood, CA.
- 2011 Baker's Dozen III, Torrance Art Museum, Torrance, CA. Human Nature, curated by Franklin Sirmans and Christine Kim, Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA.
- 2010 Border Art Biennial, Bienal Fronteriza de Arte 2010, El Paso Museum of Art, El Paso, TX. The Artist's Museum, Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, CA. California Biennial, Orange County Museum of Art, Newport Beach, CA. Four Projects, Haunch of Venison, New York, NY.
- 2009 *Not Los Angeles*, curated by Zachary Kaplan and Aandrea Stang, Fellows of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, CA.

OVER/FLOW, Cerritos College Art Gallery, Cerritos, CA.

Fantastic LA, University Galleries, Illinois State University, Normal, IL.

- 2008 From and About Place: Art from Los Angeles, The Center for Contemporary Art, Tel Aviv, Israel. Microwave 6, Josee Bienvenu Gallery, New York, NY. Argument de la Diagonale, Betonsalon, Paris, France.
- 2007 *READ ME! TEXT IN ART*, Armory Center for the Arts, Pasadena, CA. Double-Take: The Poetics of Illusion and Light, Contemporary Museum, Baltimore, MD. Drawn In: Drawing in Residence Phase III, Torrance Art Museum, Torrance, CA.
- 2006 Draw A Line and Follow It, Los Angeles Contemporary Exhibitions, Los Angeles, CA. Flourish, Torrance Art Museum, Torrance, CA. Labirinti, Amelia: la Fiber Art al Centro, Biennale di Arte Tessile Contemporanea, Museo Archeologico di Amelia, Italy.
- 2005 Conceptual Writing, Van Ackeren Gallery, Rockhurst University, Kansas City, KS.
- 2004 Northwest Territories, Armory Center for the Arts, Pasadena, CA. page\_space, Machine Gallery, Los Angeles, CA. Encoded, Fe Gallery, Pittsburgh, PA.
- 2003 Painting by Letters, Cirrus Gallery, Los Angeles, CA. Open Haus, Haus Gallery, Pasadena, CA. CCAC Alumni Exhibition, Andrea Schwartz Gallery, San Francisco, CA.

- 2002 unDRAWN:unusual approaches to drawing, At the Brewery Project, Los Angeles, CA.
   Reading Room, Southern Exposure, San Francisco, CA.
   Wall Space 2, Miller Durazo Contemporary Artists Projects, Los Angeles, CA.
   maps & charts, Tyler School of Art, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2001 Drawing in Residence, Wintergarten Gallery, Vienna, Austria.
- 2000 *evictions*, 160 Minna Street, San Francisco, CA.
- MFA Show, CCAC Graduate Gallery, San Francisco, CA.
- 1999 *Index*, Alexandra Grant, Anthony Discenza, and Adrian van Allen, CCAC Graduate Gallery, San Francisco, CA.

## **Public Collections**

Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA. Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, CA. Hammer Museum, Los Angeles, CA. Orange County Museum of Art, Costa Mesa, CA. Blanton Museum of Art, Austin, TX. Museo Santo Domingo, Antigua, Guatemala.

#### Projects

Founder, grantLOVE. Co-Founder, X Artists' Books.

#### Grants / Awards / Residencies

- 2022 Cuttyhunk Artists' Residency, Cuttyhunk Island, MA.
- 2019 Visiting Artist, Vermont Studio Center, Johnson, VT.
- 2018 SOMA, Mexica City, Mexico.
- 2015 Bemis Center for Contemporary Art, Omaha, NE. COLA 2015 Individual Artists Fellowship.
- 2013 18th Street Arts Center, Santa Monica, CA.
- 2011 California Community Foundation Mid-Career Artist Grant. The Pollock-Krasner Foundation Grant.
- 2007 Durfee Foundation, ARC Grant for project at Contemporary Museum, Baltimore, MD. Support from the Frederick R. Weisman Foundation, Los Angeles, CA, for project at MOCA, Los Angeles, CA.

California Community Foundation, Artists' Cover Award.

1999 Richard K. Price Scholar, California College of Arts and Crafts.

## Film / Selected Screenings / Festivals

- 2017 Frame Rate: 3 Artists, 3 Evenings, "Taking Lena Home," Los Angeles Nomadic Division, June 29.
- 2016 "Taking Lena Home," Rialto Theater, Pocahontas, IA, November 19.
  - "Taking Lena Home," Prairie Lights Film Festival, Grand Island, NE, October 9.

"Taking Lena Home," Film Streams, Omaha, NE, August 16.

"Taking Lena Home," Doc Sunback Film Festival, Mulvane, KS, June 26.

"Taking Lena Home," Black Hills Film Festival, May 4-7.

"Taking Lena Home," Director, Producer, Camera Operator.

# **Board Memberships**

Board of Directors, Bemis Center for Contemporary Art, Omaha, NE.
Board of Directors, Womens' Center for Creative Work, Los Angeles, CA.
Board of Directors, 18th Street Arts Center, Santa Monica, CA.
Advisory Board, Project X (publisher of X-TRA).
Advisory Board, LAXART, Los Angeles, CA.
Founding Board Chair, Watts House Project.

## Invited Lectures / Panel Discussions / Presentations

- 2023 *"LOVE*: A conversation between Alexandra Grant and Alma Ruiz," Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, CA.
- 2022 Visiting Artist, Rinehart School of Sculpture, MICA, Baltimore, MD.
- 2020 Visiting Artist Lecture, Azusa Pacific University, Azusa, CA.
- 2019 "Panel: Arts & Books" at LITLIT, Alexandra Grant in conversation with Dagny Corcoran, Paul McCarthy and Dr. Michaela Unterdörfer, Hauser & Wirth, Los Angeles, CA. "Visual Storytelling, Antigone, and Love: Roxane Gay and Alexandra Grant in Conversation," Lowell Ryan Projects, Los Angeles, CA.
- 2017 "Cixous: Corollaires d'une signature / Corollaries of a Signature," Maison Heinrich Heine, Cité Internationale Universitaire de Paris, Paris, France.
   The Artists' Prison, reading and book signing, Ochi Projects, Los Angeles, CA.
   "The World of Alexandra Grant," Rancho Mirage Public Library, Rancho Mirage, CA.
- 2015 "In Dialogue: A Conversation with Alexandra Grant, Leslie Jones, and Steve Roden," Pasadena Museum of California Art, Pasadena, CA.
  "Feminism Ideals," Long Beach Museum of Art, Long Beach, CA.
  Syracuse University Department of Art, Artist Talk, Syracuse, NY. 46th Annual North Dakota Writers' Conference, "The Other Half," Grand Forks, ND.
- 2013 "Inside and Out: A Painter in the Social Sphere," Bemis Center, Omaha, NE. Hélène Cixous in Conversation with Alexandra Grant, Mains d'Oeuvres, Paris, France. Nottingham Contemporary, Nottingham, UK.
- 2011 Lecture, Rio Hondo College, Whittier, CA.
   Lecture, Cal State Long Beach, Long Beach, CA.
   Lecture, Claremont Graduate University, Claremont, CA.
- 2010 "Image/Text," Salt Lake Art Center.
- 2009 "Mesa Redonda/Round Table, 4 Women Artists Discuss Text," University of Barcelona, Barcelona, Spain.

"A Collection of Ideas: Building the Love House: Using Art for Social Change in Watts," Santa Monica Museum of Art, Santa Monica, CA.

"Are We Talking To Anyone But Ourselves?" Alexandra Grant and Dan Rothenberg in conversation, moderated by Michael Joyce. Symposium: PlayPenn, new play development, Philadelphia, PA.

2008 "THE WORD IN LA: Panel Discussion with Artists Robbie Conal, Alexandra Grant and Lezley Saar," Fowler Museum at UCLA, Los Angeles, CA.

- 2007 Visiting lecturer, Swarthmore College, PA.Visiting artist, Cal State Long Beach, CA.Visiting lecturer, Otis College of Art, Los Angeles, CA.
- 2005 Visiting lecturer, Otis College of Art, Theory and Practice 4 class.
- 2004 Visiting lecturer, Otis College of Art, Theory and Practice 5 class.

"The Wordlessnessless of the Meiteneinander," with Michael Joyce, &NOW Conference, Notre Dame University, Notre Dame, IN.

"The Wordlessnessless of the Meiteneinander," with Michael Joyce, CalArts Graduate Program in Writing, Valencia, CA.

## Writings & Publications

- 2024 Featured Artworks in Vitamin Txt: Words in Contemporary Art (Phaidon Press): Antigone 3000 (8) (2020), Exploseum (LA, Berlin, Paris) (2021), Semaphore (2023).
- 2023 The Publisher and the Public, by Alexandra Grant, The Philosopher magazine. Letter to A Young Woman Artist, by Alexandra Grant, part of Gala Porras-Kim's "More Letters to a Young Woman Artist" project.

Alexandra Grant catalog, Miles McEnery Gallery, New York, NY.

- 2022 LOVE, by Alexandra Grant, published by Cameron Books/Abrams Books Mantra catalog, Positive Art Center, Seoul, Korea.
- 2017 The Artists' Prison, by Alexandra Grant and Eve Wood, published by X Artists' Books.
- 2016 Forêt Intérieure/Interior Forest catalog, 18th Street Arts Center, Santa Monica, CA.20th Bienal de Arte Paiz, Guatemala City, Guatemala.
  - Shadows, by Keanu Reeves and Alexandra Grant, published by Steidl.
- 2014 Grasshoppers, published by the Polk County Historical Society, Osceola, NE.
- 2013 Drawn to Language, USC Fisher Museum, Los Angeles, CA.
- 2012 Bright: Typography between Illustration & Art, Slanted. The Songs of Maldoror, published in conjunction with LACMA's exhibition Drawing Surrealism.
- 2011 Ode to Happiness, by Keanu Reeves and Alexandra Grant, published by Steidl.
- 2010 2010 California Biennial, Orange County Museum of Art, Newport Beach, CA.
- 2008 From and About Place: Art from Los Angeles, The Center for Contemporary Art, Tel Aviv, Israel.
- 2007 *Alexandra Grant*, MOCA Focus Series exhibition catalog, Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, CA.

## Press / Bibliography

- Sound & Vision Podcast, Ep. 370: Alexandra Grant, May 18.
   Art Grind Podcast, Ep. 93: Alexandra Grant, February 28.
   Carol Real, "Art, Love, and Activism: An Insightful Conversation with Alexandra Grant," Art Summit, June 11.
- 2022 Deborah Vankin, "Alexandra Grant's new coffee table book examines what it means to be a civic artist," *LA Times*, December 20.

Steph Eckhart, "Artist Alexandra Grant Cannot Tell a Lie," *W Magazine*, November 25. *Pulling The Thread with Elise Loehnen* Podcast: "On Collaborating With Ourselves"

- 2021 "The Artist Profile Archive: Alexandra Grant" (video), July 20. "In the Studio with Alexandra Grant" (video), Orange County Museum of Art, Jan 12.
- 2020 "Alexandra Grant," interview, *The Genius List.* "In conversation with alum Alexandra Grant," interview, California College of the Arts, March.

Vittoria Fillipa Gabardi, "Primo: pensare alla gioia. Intervista ad Alexandra Grant," *Vogue Italia*, November 10.

2019 Mark "Frosty" McNeill, "On Activating the Power of Language," *The Creative Independent*, September 19.

Abigale Stone, "Love is a Battlefield: Artist Alexandra Grant's "Antigone 3000"," *California Home and Design*, July 8.

Shana Nys Dambrot, "Alexandra Grant Chooses Love at Lowell Ryan Projects," *LA Weekly*, July 4. Abigail Stone, "10 Things to do in July," California Home and Design, July 2.

Hannah Jackson, "Roxane Gay and Alexandra Grant I "I Was Born to Love, Not to Hate"," *Flaunt*, June 28.

Jody Zellen, "Pick of the Week" What's On Los Angeles, June 27.

Andy Brumer, "Recommendation: Alexandra Grant, Born to Love," Visual Art Source, June 25. Essence Harden, "Remarks on Love: Alexandra Grant's Born to Love" *Curate LA*, June 15.

Edward Goldman, "Galia Linn and Alexandra Grant: Stories in Clay and Paint," KCRW Art Talk, June 4.

Carolina A. Miranda, "Datebook: Inspired by antiquity, painter Alexandra Grant tackles notions of love," *Los Angeles Times*, May 30.

Eve Wood, "A Conflation of Dueling Sentiments in Alexandra Grant's Born to Love," *Riot Material*, May 30.

Pia Pack, "Alexandra Grant," What Artist's Listen To (Podcast), May 29.

Shana Nys Dambrot, "Meet and Artist Monday," LA Weekly, May 27.

Gary Brewer, "Studio Visit: Alexandra Grant, Antigone and the body Politic," *Art and Cake*, May 23.

2017 "The Unknown," article by Sascha Chaimowicz and photography by Alexandra Grant, *Zeit Magazin*, International Edition, No. 1, Spring – Summer.

Agatha French, "Books as an Artistic Proposition," Los Angeles Times, July, 19.

Jody Zellen, "Eve Wood and Alexandra Grant, The Artists' Prison at Ochi Projects," Art and Cake, June 17.

"Im Schatten Dem Matrix," article by Sascha Chaimowicz, cover and photography by Alexandra Grant, *Zeit Magazin*, No. 5, January 26.

- Didi Beck, "Alexandra Grant Wants to Live Like a Ghost," Ampersand, December 2.
   Megan Abrahams, "What Glorious Shape Comes This Way Moving," LOSTWKND.
   Ryan Waterfield, "Only a Shadow," Big Life Magazine.
   Kavita Daswani, "Keanu Reeves stars in the art book 'Shadows' by L.A. artist Alexandra Grant," Los
   Angeles Times, February 24.
- 2015 Megan Abrahams, "Alexandra Grant and Steve Roden: These Carnations Defy Language," Whitehot Magazine of Contemporary Art, October.
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  "Alexandra Grant, Works on Paper," December Magazine, Volume 26.1.

"I'll Be Your Mirror — Collaboration, Reflection, and Rorschach in the Work of Alexandra Grant, *The OffingMagazine*, March 17.

- 2014 Brian Fee, "Soul Seeking: Alexandra Grant at Lora Reynolds Gallery," *New American Paintings*, February 6.
- 2013 Robert Barry, review, "Alexandra Grant," *Frieze*, November 14. Pilar Tompkins Rivas, "Welcome to Alexandra Grant's Interior Forest," *KCET.com*, September 6.

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- 2011 Catharine Crane, "Stolen Tombstone Returns to Polk 60 Years Later," *10/11 News*, Lincoln, NE, November 23.

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2006 Paper Magazine, February.

2005 "Five Artists to Buy NOW," C Magazine, October.
"What is conceptual writing?" A project organized by Debra di Blasi, Kansas City Review, #61, Vol. 7, No. 4, March, p. 34.

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