

## **Melanie A. Feerst**

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### **Solo Exhibitions**

2002

*Informed Consent* - Artemisia Gallery - Chicago, IL

1999

*Autoexcision Without Benefit of Anesthesia: The Artist as Surgeon, The Artist as Patient* -  
International Museum of Surgical Science - Chicago, IL  
*Melancholia* - A.R.C. Gallery - Chicago, IL

1998

*Noncompliance in Parasites and Other Multicellular Creatures* - A.R.C. Gallery, Chicago, IL

1996

*From Theory to Practice* - University of Wisconsin Medical School (Site: Laboratory classroom) -  
Madison, WI

### **Selected Exhibitions**

2007

ArtWork - Gallery 2 - Chicago, IL

2006

*Peace & Justice Exhibit* - ACME Art Works - Chicago, IL

2005

*Invisiblebody* - NIU Gallery - Chicago, IL

2003

*The Chicago Solution Show* - Gallery on Lake Judith Racht - Juror: Ed Paschke - Chicago, IL  
*30th Year Anniversary Show* - A.R.C. Gallery - Chicago, IL  
*Covering the Uninsured* - Harold Washington Library - Jurors: Tony Wight; Director, Bodybuilder  
and Sportsman Gallery; Susan Skrimpshaw, Dean of the School of Public Health, University of  
Illinois; Katie Neisen; Field Coordinator, Cover the Uninsured Week; Caroline Greco, Chicago  
Artists Coalition - Chicago, IL

2002

*Happy* - OpenEndArt - Curator: John Fleishman - Chicago, IL

2001

*Metal - Urge* - The Merwyn Gallery, Illinois Wesleyan University - Bloomington, IL  
*Four Corners of the World* - School of the Art Institute Alumni Show - Jurors: Sharon Couzin,  
David Richards and Mary Lou Zelazny, School of the Art Institute - Chicago, IL

2000

*Gastro-Aesthetics* - Rockford Art Museum (invitational) - Rockford, IL

1999

*RX: An Art Exhibition* - Curated by Jean Robertson / Craig McDaniel - Emison Art Center at DePauw University - Greencastle, IN

*Women's Perspectives: 25 Years of A.R.C. Gallery* - Suburban Fine Arts Center - Highland Park, IL

1998

*25th Anniversary Exhibition* - A.R.C. Gallery - Chicago, IL

*Intersections* - Jurors: Lisa Norton, John Reuter-Pacyna and Michael Rooks - Stevens George Gallery - Hammond, IN

*IN FLEX / IN FLUX* - Jurors: Gary Justice, Carolyn Ottmers and Terry Karpowicz - White Tower Building - Chicago, IL

*Stateline Vicinity Exhibition* - Juror: Lynne Warren, Museum of Contemporary Art - Rockford Art Museum - Rockford, IL

*text / conText* - Curator: Mark Arctander - Western Illinois University - Macomb, IL

*48th Annual Quad-State Juried Exhibition* - Juror: Joan Rothfuss, Walker Art Center - Quincy Art Center - Quincy, IL

*A.R.C. Exchange* - Sydney College Gallery - Sydney, Australia

*Three Rivers Art Festival* - Juror: Fred Wilson - CNG Tower - Pittsburgh, PA

1997

*Art Forms Œ97* - Juror: Russell Panczenko, Elvehjem Museum of Art, Madison WI - Greater Lafayette Museum of Art - Lafayette, IN

*Women's Works* - Juror: Beate Minkovski, Judith Geichman, and Janet Leszczynski - Old Court House Art Center - Woodstock, IL

*The Exchange* - Spark Gallery - Denver, CO

1996

*Melanie Feerst and Ann Nassif* - A.R.C. Gallery - Chicago, IL

*68th Annual Student Art Show* - Jurors: Russel Panczenko, Elvehjem Museum of Art and Siri Engberg, Walker Art Center - Porter Butts Gallery of the University of Wisconsin - Madison, WI

*The Three Phoites in a Night of Light* - University of Wisconsin Invitational Exhibition - Madison, WI

*Hearts* - Curator: Laurie Kerlin - The International Museum of Surgical Science - Chicago, IL

1995

*Exchange: Chicago to Sacramento* - 750 Gallery - Sacramento, CA

*A.R.C. Regional* - Juror: Richard Francis, Museum of Contemporary Art - A.R.C. Gallery - Chicago, IL

*67th Annual Student Art Show* - Juror: Toby Kamps, Madison Art Center - Porter Butts Gallery of the University of Wisconsin - Madison, WI

*Women's Works* - Juror: Edith Altman - Old Court House Art Center - Woodstock, IL

*Personal Visions III* - An Art Place - Chicago, IL

1993 - 1994

*Velvet Show* - University of Wisconsin - Madison, WI

*BFA Exhibition* - School of the Art Institute of Chicago - Chicago, IL

*Women, Fire and Iron* - Wilensky Art Center - Minneapolis, MN

## **Awards**

2002 - Isaac and Sonia Luski Scholarship - Penland School of Crafts - Penland, NC

2001 - Linda Kramer Award - Artemisia Gallery - Chicago, IL

1999 - Pilchuck Glass School Scholarship - Seattle, WA  
1998 - Honorable Mention - Stateline Vicinity Exhibition - Rockford Art Museum  
1997 - Honorable Mention - Women,s Works - Old Court House Art Center - Woodstock, IL  
1995 - Scholarship / Membership - A.R.C. Gallery - Chicago, IL  
Third Place - Personal Visions III - An Art Place - Chicago, IL  
Third Place - Women's Works - Old Court House Art Center - Woodstock, IL

## **Education**

MFA - University of Wisconsin at Madison

BFA - School of the Art Institute of Chicago

Studied: Pilchuck Glass School (WA), Penland School of Crafts (NC), Oxbow School (MI),  
Pittsburg Glass Center (PA)

Residency: Scottish Sculpture Workshop, Sept. - Nov. 2005