

Michi Meko

Born 1974, Florence, AL
Lives and works in Atlanta, GA

EDUCATION

1999 BFA, Painting, University of North Alabama

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2022 Forthcoming, *Dark Was The Night, Cold Was The Ground*, Kavi Gupta, Chicago, IL
- 2019 *Black and Blur*, Clark Atlanta University Art Museum, Atlanta, GA
When It's Black Outside, Chimento Contemporary, Los Angeles, CA
Out Here by Myself, Alan Avery Art Company, Atlanta, GA
- 2018 *KAZUKO*, Cress Gallery, University of Chattanooga, Chattanooga, TN
Like a Weird Sweet Spot, Westobou Gallery, August, GA
It Doesn't Prepare You for Arrival, Museum of Contemporary Art of Georgia, Atlanta, GA
- 2017 *One Last Smile Before the Undertow*, Dodd Galleries, University of Georgia, Athens, GA
- 2016 *Circle of Rivers*, University of North Georgia, Dahlonega, GA
Before We Blast off: The Journey of Divine Forces, Atlanta Contemporary Art Center, Atlanta, GA
- 2015 *Pursuit: Almost Drowned*, Alan Avery Art Company, Atlanta, GA
- 2010 *Navigating this American Landscape*, Archetype Gallery, Atlanta, GA
- 2009 *Fear Kills Pursuit: A Mighty Roar and the Magic Inside*, Beep Beep Gallery, Atlanta, GA
- 2008 *Comfort Kills Pursuit: Fight!!!*, Eyedrum, Atlanta, GA

SELECT GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2022 *The Dirty South*, Crystal Bridges Museum, Bentonville, AR
- 2021 *Realms of Refuge*, Kavi Gupta, Chicago, IL
The Dirty South, Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, Richmond, VA
- 2020 *We Are More Than A Moment*, Gallery 51, North Adams, MA
- 2019 *Urban Wild*, Alabama Contemporary Art Center, Mobile, AL
PROJECT, Temporary Art Center, Atlanta, GA
- 2018 *This is where you'll find me*, Kress on Dexter, Montgomery, AL
- 2017 *Gut Feelings*, Zuckerman Museum of Art, Kennesaw State University, Kennesaw, GA
RSVP, Hammonds House Museum, Atlanta, GA
In Time of Silver Rain, Day & Night Projects, Atlanta, GA
- 2016 *Historicode: Scarcity & Supply*, Nanjing Art Fair, Nanjing, China
Abstraction Today, MOCA GA, Atlanta, GA
All Tomorrow's Parties, Hathaway David Contemporary, Atlanta, GA
Route to (re)settlement, Mann Simmons Museum, Columbia, SC
- 2015 *Boom City*, Dashboard Co-Op, Detroit, MI
- 2014 *The Introduction*, Alan Avery Art Company, Atlanta, GA
- 2012 *Baptism by Fire*, Barbara Archer Gallery, Atlanta, GA
- 2011 *Relics*, Marietta Cobb Museum of Art, Marietta, GA
- 2010 *Pure/Surrender*, Beep Beep Gallery, Atlanta, GA
- 2009 *Green Works*, The Art Dept., Atlanta, GA

GRANTS AND AWARDS

- 2017 Joan Mitchell Painters & Sculptors Grant
Artadia Award
MOCA GA Working Artist Fellowship
- 2015 DashBoard Co-Op Residency Grant

- 2013 Flux Projects Grant
Wonderroot CSA Grant
- 2011 Studio Artist In Residence, Atlanta Contemporary Art Center
- 2010 Idea Capital Grant
BeltLine Atlanta Grant
- 2008 Forward Arts Foundation, finalist
- 2005 Forward Arts Foundation, finalist

PUBLIC WORKS AND PROJECTS

- 2013 *The Job of Resurrectors is to Wake Up the Dead*, Flux Projects, Atlanta, GA
Blackburn Farms White Gold, WonderRoot CSA, Atlanta, GA
- 2011 *Waterworks: The Passing of Knowledge*, Kennesaw State University, Kennesaw, GA
- 2010 *Coexist: Bio Mimicry*, Atlanta Beltline, Atlanta, GA
White Gold, Idea Capital, Atlanta, GA
Say it Loud, Living Walls, Atlanta, GA

WRITINGS & PUBLICATIONS

- Meko, Michi and Sarah Higgins. "Studying the Silences: A Conversation." *Gut Feelings*. Zuckerman Museum of Art, Kennesaw State University, 2017.
- Meko, Michi. "Cast Iron." *Art Papers*. May/June 2016.

SELECT PRESS

- Maa, Gerald. "A Lower Deep." *The Georgia Review*. Winter 2019.
- Mintz, Donna. "After a Frustrated Search in Nature, Atlanta Artist Michi Meko Seeks to Create a Sense of Peace at MOCA GA." *ArtsATL*, November 29, 2018.
- Feaster, Felicia. "Michi Meko's Work is 'The Contemporary Experience of Black Life and Survival.'" *Atlanta Magazine*, February 28, 2018.
- Alexander, Andrew; Sullivan, Karley, "A Studio Visit with Michi Meko." *ArtsATL*, January 22, 2018.
- Lockner, Logan. "Hunger Games: Gut Feelings at the Zuckerman Museum of Art." *Burnaway*. March 28, 2017.
- Robinson, Shantey. "Reflection in Deep Waters." *The Third Eye*, August 15, 2015.
- Davis, Maggie. "Michi Meko's Nautically Themed "Pursuit." an Ambitious High Water Mark at Alan Avery." *ArtsATL*, August 3, 2015.
- Feaster, Felicia. "Powerful Exhibit Showcases Southern Artist with Complex Take on Race." *Atlanta Journal Constitution*, July 13, 2015.
- Cullum, Jerry. "Artists Question Southern Art at Georgia State's Welch Gallery." *Burnaway*, July 20, 2010.
- Laura Moore. "Art on the Beltline Project Explores Issues of Gentrification." *Burnaway*, May 20, 2010.
- Abernathy, Jeremy. "Declaration(s) of Independence: Two Exhibitions Worthy of Comparison." *Burnaway*, July 2, 2009.
- Abernathy, Jeremy. "Comfort Kills: I will." *Ghostmap*. April 11, 2008.

RESIDENCIES

- 2017 Cabin Time 8, E. Sierras, CA
- 2015 Studio Artist, Pony Ride, Detroit, MI
- 2014 Studio Artist-in-Residence, SCAD Print Department, Atlanta, GA
- 2011 Studio Artist, Contemporary Art Center, Atlanta, GA

COLLECTIONS

- High Museum of Art, Atlanta, GA
- King & Spalding, Atlanta, GA
- Scion (Toyota Motor Corporation), Los Angeles, CA
- MetroPark USA Inc., Atlanta, GA
- CW Network, Atlanta, GA
- The Jones Group, Atlanta, GA