# NATHAN LYNCH

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Nathan Lynch was raised in Pasco, WA, an agricultural community in the shadow of Hanford Nuclear Power Plant. The futility of this environmental contradiction gave Lynch an acute sense of location and deep appreciation for irony. His concerns for political conflict and environmental upheaval are filtered through notions of absurdity, hand fabrication and the dramatic devices of storytelling. As a sculptor and performance artist Lynch has made collaboration and experimentation major components of his practice. Lynch's recent projects include *The Same Larry*, at A-B Projects, *Doubledrink* for Headlands Center for the Arts and *Dead Reckoning* for BAN7 at Yerba Buena Center for the Arts. Lynch studied with Ken Price at the University of Southern California, and earned an MFA at Mills College with Ron Nagle. Lynch is an Associate Professor and Chair of the Ceramics and Glass Programs at California College of the Arts.

Born June 26, 1974, Pasco, Washington, United States

## Education

- 1999 Mills College: Master of Fine Art, Studio Art
- 1997 University of Southern California: Bachelor of Fine Art; Magna Cum Laude

## **Academic Experience**

- 2006 present Chair of Ceramics Program, California College of the Arts
- 2002 California College of the Arts: Associate Professor of Ceramics, Graduate Fine Arts
- 04-05 Mills College: Visiting Professor of Studio Art
- 2001 University of Southern California: Adjunct Faculty

# Award, Grants, Fellowships

- 2021 Wildlife Conservation Society
- 2018 NEA Art Works Grant
- 2014 Wauson Fellowship, FOR-SITE Foundation

# Solo Exhibitions (select)

- 2019 The Same Larry, A-B Projects, Los Angeles, CA (March 2019)
- 2018 Seabird Nest Project, University of Hawaii, Manoa
- 2017 Asleep in the Tanning Bed, Art Works Downtown, San Rafael, CA
- 2016 A Larger Trophy, The THING Quarterly, San Francisco, CA
- 2014 Another High, Rena Bransten Gallery, San Francisco, CA
- 2012 A Way of Fixing Everything, Sierra Nevada College, Incline Village, NV

# Group Exhibitions (select)

- 2017 Intimate Abstractions, Patricia Sweetow Gallery, Oakland, CA Two-Scale, Sonoma State University, Sonoma, CA Duality of Ceramics, Durango Arts Center, Durango, CO
- 2016 *Future of Fixing,* Center for Craft Creativity and Design, Ashville, NC *Lineage,* American Museum of Ceramic Art, Pomona, CA *Bird in the Hand,* Palo Alto Art Center, Palo Alto, CA
- 2015 Conversations, Paradise Ridge Winery, Santa Rosa, CA
- 2014 BAY AREA NOW 7, Yerba Buena Center for the Arts, San Francisco, CA Magical Thinking, Root Division Gallery, San Francisco, CA

- 2013 *Traces and Accumulations,* Traywick Contemporary, Berkeley, CA *The Long Conversation,* Southern Exposure, San Francisco, CA
- 2011 Breaking Ranks, Headlands Center for the Arts, Sausalito, CA
- 2010 Presidio Habitats, Park Presidio, San Francisco, CA

## Performances (select)

- 2017 Two-Scale, Sonoma State University, Sonoma, CA
- 2014 Dead Reckoning: Short Stories, Yerba Buena Center for the Arts, SF, CA
- 2011 Five Artists, Six Stories, Harrison Street Studios, San Francisco, CA
- 2003 The Lowtones: Chamber Music; Lincoln Center, New York, NY Where is Your Wheel? Fringe Festival, Edinburgh, Scotland The Fountain Etudes, Taplin Concert Hall, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ
- 00-07 Where is Your Wheel?; Vermont, New Hampshire, N.Y.C., San Francisco...

## Commissions

- 2017 Doubledrink, Headlands Center for the Arts
- 2014 *Deadreckoning,* Bay Area NOW 7, FOR-SITE Foundation
- 2010 Blacktailed Jackrabbit, Presidio Habitats, FOR-SITE Foundation

## Residencies

- 2013 Anderson Ranch Arts Center, Snowmass, CO
- 2011 Headlands Center for the Arts, Sausalito, CA
- 2011 Chalkhill Residency, Healdsburg, CA
- 10-12 Exploratorium, San Francisco, CA
- 2007 Tainan National University of the Arts, Taiwan

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#### **Selected Public Lectures**

- 2019 University of Southern California
- 2018 Maryland Institute College of Art
- 2018 University of Hawaii, Manoa
- 2018 Windward Community College
- 2018 Sacramento City College
- 2018 Tyler School of Art
- 2017 CSU San Bernadino

- 2017 Pitzer College
- 2017 Chaffey College
- 2016 CSU Long Beach
- 2012 University of Southern California
- 2012 Pasadena City College
- 2012 Woodbury College
- 2011 Mills College