

BEATRIZ DA COSTA

Title	ELIZA's Daughters
Genre	Robotics, Interactivity
Applicant's Role in Production	Sole Artistic Director, Producer and Designer
Production Format	Robotics Installation

Brief Project Description (do not exceed space given below)

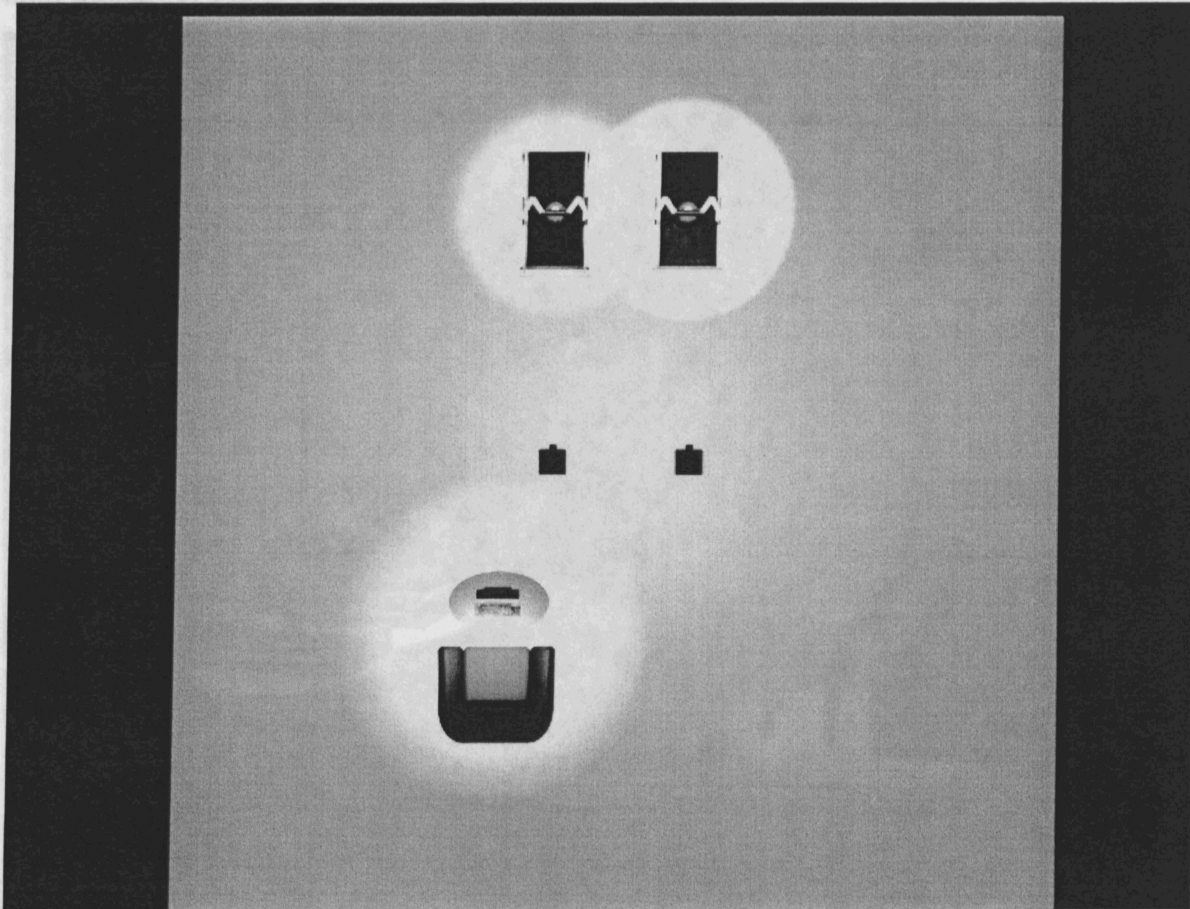
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ELIZA'S DAUGHTERS

Beatriz da Costa

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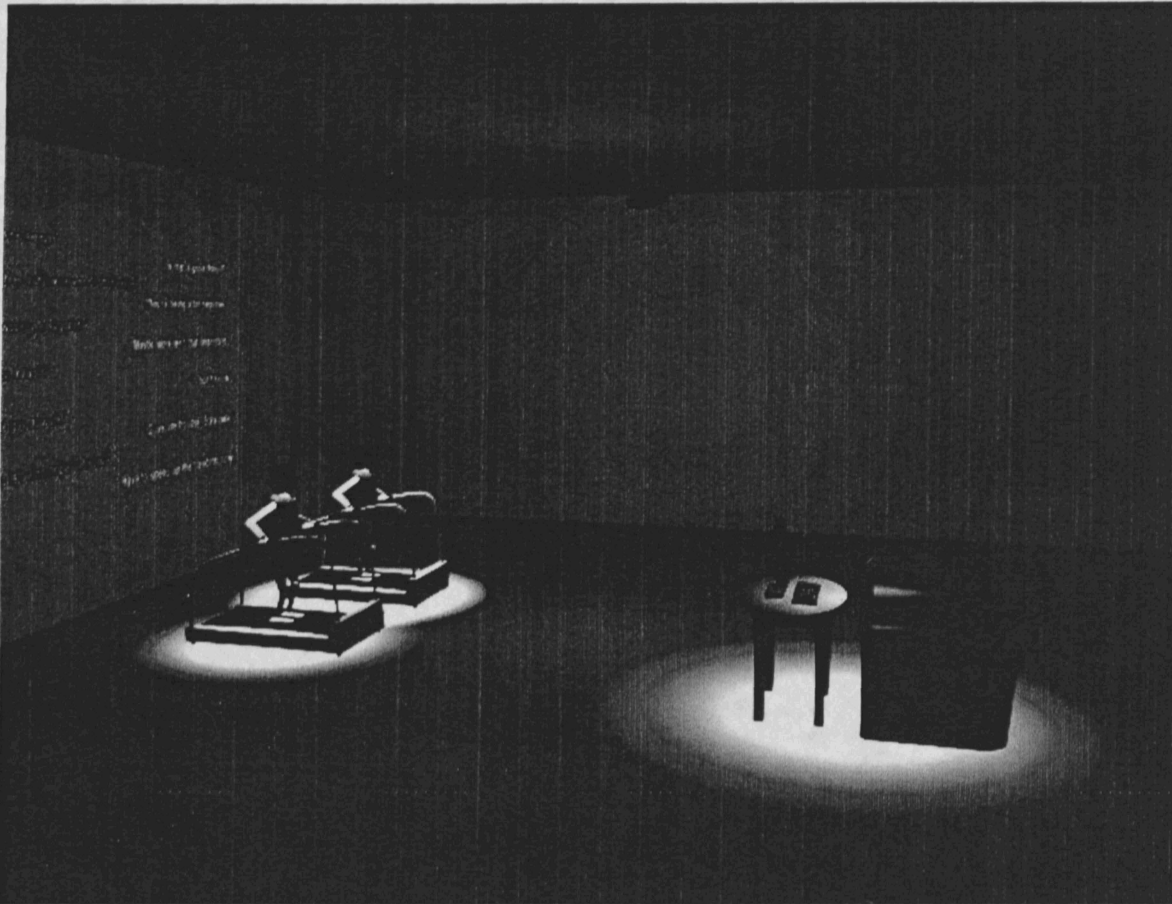


ELIZA's Daughters, Floor Plan. [View](#)

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ELIZA'S Daughters, Installation View.

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Title CELLO

Year 2001

Technical WEBSITE

Original Format

Software
 Web
 Installation
 Other _____

Format Submitted for Viewing

Software
 Web
 VHS
 Other _____

Preferred OS

Windows
 Mac
 Unix
 Other _____

Web Information (answer only if sample work is in Web format)

_____ (if more than one please list them below)

- Browser requirement(s) Best viewed in IE5 or higher
- Plug-in requirement(s) Flash Plug-in
- This sample requires broadband connection (fast Internet connection)
- A local copy of the sample work has been included with the application

Special Information For Viewing:

Description of Work

This VHS tape documents *Cello*, a project that is formally and conceptually related to ELIZA's Daughters. Please refer to my Artist Statement and resume to further understand the relationship between ELIZA's Daughters and my previous work.

BEATRIZ DA COSTA

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Title BEATRIZ DA COSTA HOMEPAGE

Year 2004

Technical WEBSITE

Original Format

Software
 Web
 Installation
 Other _____

Format Submitted for Viewing

Software
 Web
 VHS
 Other _____

Preferred OS

Windows
 Mac
 Unix
 Other _____

Web Information (answer only if sample work is in Web format)

URL _____ WWW.BEATRIZDACOSTA.NET _____ (if more than one please list them below)

Browser requirement(s) Best viewed in IE5 or higher

Plug-in requirement(s) Flash Plug-in

This sample requires broadband connection (fast Internet connection)

A local copy of the sample work has been included with the application

Special Information For Viewing:

Description of Work

This Website documents my artistic work from 2000-2004.

The project most relevant to ELIZA's Daughters is *Cello*. I submitted a separate VHS tape documenting Cello. There is not need to look at the online documentation of this project.

ARTIST'S STATEMENT

Beatriz da Costa

As an interdisciplinary artist and researcher I am interested in the innovative and creative use of emergent technologies as well as in socio-scientific and socio-technological intervention and commentary. With a background in visual art I have incorporated robotic technology and real time behavioral interaction into my artwork from the very early stages. More recently I have become interested in the relationship between art and the life sciences. Influenced by the concerns of Tactical Media as a practice, my work is less medium-but mostly content-driven at this point in my career. Over the past four years I have been interested in the politics and representation of biotechnology, the social impact of data-collection and surveillance technologies as well as female embodiment and its status in western society. Technological research as well as background research and a deeper theorization of my practice constitute a huge part of what I consider to be my area of interest and action. I am designing projects to fit a variety of different social and cultural contexts. Some of them are specifically meant to function in the museum or gallery context, whereas others leave these cultural institutions and engage in physical spaces that people are more likely to encounter in their every day lives, such as a farmer's market, a gym or a retail store. In addition, most of my projects contain some form of web-based presence although none of them rely on the Internet as the sole medium and space for presentation. In order to cover such a broad range of interests and media I have been involved in many collaborative projects. This not only helps me broaden my own perspective as an artist, but also allows for initiatives that could never be accomplished by a single individual. I have collaborated with other artists, molecular biologists and computer scientists and have developed project-based working relationships with lawyers and environmental activists. Interacting with members of a variety of disciplines and interests has opened possibilities to present and show my work at venues that have traditionally shown little interest in the perspective of visual artists on their area of specialty or field of activity. Ultimately this allows me to contribute to one of the most valuable roles that I believe interdisciplinary artists are in the position to take: furthering the legitimacy of artists outside their home discipline and using the strength of visual art -to understand and use the means of

representation- to develop a socially responsive cultural practice that can be understood, accessed and analyzed from a variety of perspectives and positions.

I have worked with the artists collective Critical Art Ensemble for the past five years. Together we have developed a series of participatory performance projects addressing the politics of transgenic organisms. We have examined the public understanding of transgenic organisms, the impacts of the biotech industry on individual farmers and the environment, and the transgenic food trading relationships between Europe and the United States. Through all of our projects we worked towards developing the model of an *Amateur Science*, in which non-specialists (including the general public) interact with the materials of science in order to broaden their own knowledge of biotechnology and obtain a certain amount of agency to speak and act on behalf of their own concerns with respect to this field of research and its related applications. We have also proposed the notion and practice of a *Contestational Biology*, where people are encouraged to use the materials of science for resistant purposes.

I have also started a new collaborative team with Brooke Singer and Jamie Schulte. We worked on project *Swipe*, a performance, installation and web project concerned with data-derived access control and information surveillance. Currently we are working on a new project initiative using Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) technologies to address human surveillance within the consumer context.

ELIZA's Daughters, is formally and conceptually closest to *Cello*, a robotic installation project concerned with female embodiment, embodied intelligence and its non-conformativity to a male dominated standardized environment. However, unlike *Cello*, *ELIZA's Daughters* is influenced by very concrete contemporary trends and practices with respect to the psychiatric drug industry and the prescription of psychotropic drugs to women.

In order to learn more about my previous work please refer to my website at: www.beatrizdacosta.net. In addition I have also provided video documentation of *Cello*. Please note that I have developed and mastered the entire technological aspect of *Cello* by myself. I feel confident and capable to do the same for *ELIZA's Daughters*.

ELIZA'S DAUGHTERS

A project by Beatriz da Costa

Project Narrative:

ELIZA's Daughters is an interactive robotic installation project concerned with the dehumanization of the human body, the relationship between exercise and high performance work, and the ties between the latter two to the psychiatric pharmaceutical industry. A healthy body and mind are qualities desired by most people. They symbolize the foundation from which to operate in order to conduct a happy and fulfilling life. However, not only is "perfect health" a condition that holds true for very few individuals, but the relationship between happiness and health is also a constructed ideal. In many cases it is not the actual disease that causes pain and unhappiness for the individual, but the social stigma associated with it. A sick person is compromised with respect to his/her work, his/her social and family life. I would like to suggest that this disenfranchisement is not rooted in the disease itself, but in the social response to the individuals' condition.

The definition of what constitutes a healthy body and mind varies tremendously throughout history and cultures. What can be perceived as abnormal behavior in one context could be perceived as perfectly normal in another one. This holds particularly true within the American context. Attention Deficit Disorder (ADD) medication for children is much more commonly prescribed in the United States than within the European context (although markets are rapidly growing there as well, but with much public resistance and dispute among medical professionals). What was thirty years ago perceived as normal childlike behavior, a six year old who wants to play and run around, is now perceived as dysfunctional and disruptive behavior. Whereas of course the conditions for these types of diagnoses are very complex, I will simplify my argument here given the limited space available for this part of the proposal. In order to understand the comparatively high prescription of ADD drugs within the United States, a look at the relationship between the current administration and the pharmaceutical industry reveals a few interesting points. In July 2004 President Bush announced that his administration has begun implementing the recommendation of the "New Freedom Commission on

Mental Health” to improve mental health services for people of all ages with mental illness through comprehensive pre-screening. This includes toddlers and preschool children. It is likely that this type of pre-screening will increase the actual prescription of mental health drugs for children in the future. It will also increase profits for the pharmaceutical industry, which provided three times more funding for the Bush Presidential Campaign than for his opponent John Kerry.

Normalized behavior not only helps keeping schoolrooms quiet, but also proves useful within the adult working environment. A “mentally stable” individual -in other words, a person who is capable of either suppressing or completely eliminating any complex emotional activity- in good physical condition generally provides a stronger more efficient contribution to the workforce, than a person who sensitively observes and responds to life in a more holistic manner. Economical leaders, business consultants as well as the pharmaceutical industry recognize this condition. In recent years drug companies have switched their advertising strategy and are targeting consumers directly in their advertising campaigns. whereas prior to that advertising and presentation of new products was directed at doctors and health professionals only. People often go to great lengths in order to respond to this happy, healthy and productive ideal. From intense exercising and meditation to psychotherapy and medication, nothing is left out in order to condition oneself and conform to the machine-like existence of a person without mood swings, doubts or emotional breakouts.

ELIZA’s Daughters is concerned with all of the above, but with a humorous take. It specifically addresses the effects of psychotropic drugs on women. Psychotropic drugs are more commonly prescribed to the female part of the population, even though many of today’s prescribed drugs marketed prior to the mid 1990s were almost exclusively tested on men. In addition, it is the framing and positioning of female “abnormal” behavior throughout history that I am particularly interested in. Starting with Freudian analyses and the description of women as “castrated” human beings and turn of the century female hysteria treatment performed through vibration of female genitals by medical professionals to more contemporary definitions and treatment of female neurosis I am researching and analyzing this area which provides the conceptual starting ground for ELIZA’s Daughters.

ELIZA was the first computer psychotherapist designed by Joseph Weizenbaum at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in the mid sixties. ELIZA was modeled after Rogerian therapy in which patients' feelings are reflected back to them by the therapist, who very often rephrases and repeats what the patient has said. Weizenbaum never conceived of his invention to be used as an actual therapist and was appalled by many professionals who took ELIZA seriously. ELIZA is a “dumb” program, which by today's standards can easily be identified as an automated response system as opposed to a conversation that is based on human intelligence.

ELIZA's Daughters consist of two “female” three feet high robots on exercise machines. While “working out” the robots are engaged in a pre-scripted conversation about the different experiences they have had with a number of psychotropic medications. The heads of both robots are replaced with small flat-screen monitors. Visitors are able to follow this conversation through the textual exchange taking place between the two entities. The text is being displayed on the flat-screen monitors. The machines are placed on the ground in the middle of the semi-dark room and lit from above. The content of the monitors is projected on the back wall behind the robots. A couch with a keyboard attachment is set up in front of the room. Visitors are able to interact with the robots via the keyboard to engage in a psychotherapy session with them. However, the roles are reversed as the human visitor becomes the psychotherapist of the robots. ELIZA's Daughters, two entities that have undergone complete mechanization, will respond by providing textual feedback based on the original program ELIZA. The human psychotherapist is confronted with the automated response of these entities. In addition the robots will change their physical behavior on the exercise machines in response to the interaction. The only sound is the mechanical noise produced by the machines.

ELIZA's Daughters is still in its initial conceptual and research phase. ELIZA's Daughters is built on previous work. Please refer to my resume and artist statement to understand this project within the larger context of my artistic interests. I am also working on a related article concerned with the issues addressed in ELIZA's Daughters.

ELIZA'S DAUGHTERS - BUDGET

Beatriz da Costa

I am planning to cover all the materials, production and documentation costs for ELIZA's Daughters out of the Rockefeller New Media grant funds. Whereas I am planning to design and direct the project and the production on my own, I will be hiring two graduate students to help with the physical construction and video documentation of ELIZA's Daughters. As a university faculty member I am expected to cover fees and tuition for graduate students if I hire them to work on my research. I am also planning to hire an industrial designer for the design of the therapist's couch. In addition I am also planning to pay myself a small production salary. I would also like to reserve funds for international travel to show and promote my project at international venues upon completion. I envision the funds to break up in the following manner:

1.: Materials:

- Aluminum, metal, wood, rubber (robots + treadmills)	\$2000
- Mechanical parts: gears, joints, weights	\$1000
- Motors and motor controller boards	\$4000
- Computer controlled machining and metal fabrication	\$2000
- Materials for custom couch fabrication	\$3000
- Cables, wiring, electronic components	\$300
- Fine Art crating of installation components	\$4000

2.: Equipment:

- 2 LCD screens	\$1000
- 2 Projectors	\$3000

3.: Couch Design:

- Salary for Industrial Designer	\$1500
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4.: Documentation:

- Video and Photo Documentation: Costs for Videographer and Photographer	\$700
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5.: Students Salary: \$7000

6.: My Salary: \$2500

7.: Travel and Promotion: \$3000

\$35,000.00

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Beatriz da Costa is a Interdisciplinary Artist and Tactical Media Practitioner. Coming from a sculptural and emergent technology background, Beatriz has incorporated robotic technology into her art and cultural practice and is interested in the use of various technologies within a critical public context. She is dedicated to a participatory practice, and interaction with the public represents one of the key components of her work. Beatriz has worked in collaboration with Critical Art Ensemble since summer 2000 and has taken part in the development and implementation of various bio-tech initiatives and models of contestational science. Current projects include *Swipe*, a collaborative project with Brooke Singer and Jamie Schulte, concerned with the social implications of driver's license data collection and *Zapped*, addressing the use of radio frequency identification in a consumer context. Beatriz has performed and exhibited work at the Henry Art Gallery in Seattle and The New Museum in New York. Recent shows include ISEA 2002 in Japan, and the World Information Organization in Belgrade. She recently joined the faculty of UC Irvine as an Assistant Profession in ACE, a new graduate program of Arts, Computation and Engineering.

EDUCATION

- 2001 **ECOLE D'ART D'AIX EN PROVENCE, FRANCE**
DIPLOME NATIONAL SUPERIEUR D'EXPRESSION PLASTIQUE (WITH HONORS).
- 1999- **CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY, US**
2001 INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES IN ART AND ROBOTICS
- 1998 **ECOLE D'ART D'AIX EN PROVENCE, FRANCE**
DIPLOME NATIONAL D'ART PLASTIQUE (WITH HONORS).

APPOINTMENTS

- 2003- **UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT IRVINE**
present ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF STUDIO ART AND ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING AND COMPUTER SCIENCE.
- 2002- **STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK AT BUFFALO**
2003 CROSS-APPOINTED VISITING ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF COMPUTER ART (DEPARTMENT OF ART), AND DIGITAL ARTS (DEPARTMENT OF MEDIA STUDY).
- 2001- **STUDIO FOR CREATIVE INQUIRY, CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY**
2002 ASSOCIATE RESEARCHER AND COURTESY FACULTY.
- 2001- **CHATHAM COLLEGE, Pittsburgh, PA**
2002 PART-TIME LECTURER IN ELECTRONIC MEDIA ART.

CURATORIAL

- 2003 NEXT FIVE MINUTES FESTIVAL, Amsterdam, Netherlands, September 2003; International Editor (curatorial event organizer).

FORTHCOMING PUBLICATIONS/TALKS/EXHIBITIONS

- 2004 OF PATRIOTS AND PROFITS – NEW TOOLS FOR KEEPING ACADEMIC RESEARCH IN LINE;
RADICAL HISTORY REVIEW, Duke University Press, Fall 2004;
(co-authored with Claire Pentecost)
- 2004 MOLECULAR INVASION
ELECTION, AMERICAN FINE ART, NYC, October 2004.
- 2004 AMATEUR SCIENCE, A THREAT AFTER ALL?
ACOUSTIC SPACE JOURNAL, Riga, Latvia;
Article.
- 2004 SURVEILLANCE CREEP!
RADICAL HISTORY REVIEW, Duke University Press, Fall 2004;
(co-authored with Jamie (Schulte and Brooke Singer)
Article.
- 2004 MODELING AND IMPLEMENTING NONSPECIALIZED CROSS-DISCIPLINARY PRODUCTION; *DE-/DIS/EX-*, Blackdog Publication, London, UK;
(co-authored with Critical Art Ensemble).
Article.
- 2004 ZAPPED WORKSHOP
SPECTROPOLIS, NYC, October 2004;
(in collaboration with Brooke Singer and Jamie Schulte)
Workshop.
- 2004 SWIPE PERFORMANCE & INSTALLATION
DATABASE IMAGINARY, WALTER PHILIPS GALLERY, Banff, Canada, November 2004;
Traveling Exhibition.
- 2005 ZAPPED EVENT
New Langton Gallery, SF, January 2005;
(in collaboration with Brooke Singer and Jamie Schulte)
Workshop and Exhibition.

PUBLICATIONS

- 2004 SWIPE CD
FLAXMAN ARTIST'S BOOKS COLLECTION, The School of the Art Institute of Chicago;
(co-authored with Jamieson Schulte and Brooke Singer).
- 2004 INTRODUCING AIDC AS A TOOL FOR DATA SURVEILLANCE
SARAI 04 READER;
(co-authored with Jamieson Schulte and Brooke Singer).

Catalogues

- 2004 THE INTERVENTIONIST
FREE RANGE GRAINS, Visuals and Documentation;
Exhibition Catalogue.
- 2004 AT YOUR OWN RISK
FREE RANGE GRAINS, Project Abstract, Visuals and GenTerra Documentation;
Exhibition Catalogue.
- 2003 PITTSBURGH BIENNIAL 03
SWIPE, Project Abstract and Documentation;
Exhibition Catalogue.
- 2002 ISEA, 11TH SYMPOSIUM OF ELECTRONIC ART, [ORAI]
CELLO, Project Abstract and Documentation;
Festival Catalogue.

- 2002 CLEAN ROOMS (The Arts Catalyst, the science-art agency, UK)
CURATING BIOLOGICAL ART IN AN AGE OF BIOTERRORISM, by Robin Held,
Genterra Documentation;
Exhibition Catalogue.

SELECTED EXHIBITIONS

- 2004 SWIPE WEBSITE
WHITNEY ARTPORT FEATURE, June, 2004.
- 2004 FREE RANGE GRAINS
THE INTERVENTIONIST, MASSMOCA, North Adams, MA, May 2004.
- 2004 MOLECULAR INVASION (Documentation and Ephemera)
THE FUTURE OF THE RECIPROCAL READYMADE, APEXART, New York City,
March 2004.
- 2004 SWIPE PERFORMANCE
BEALL CENTER FOR ART AND TECHNOLOGY, IRVINE, CALIFORNIA,
March 2004.
- 2003 FREE RANGE GRAINS
10th Anniversary, ESC GALLERY, as part of *STEIRISCHER HERBST*, GRAZ,
AUSTRIA, November 2003.
- 2003 GENTERRA (Documentation and Ephemera) and MOLECULAR INVASION
(Documentation and Ephemera),
YOUGENICS, Art & Design Gallery, Southwest Missouri State University,
October 2003.
- 2003 FREE RANGE GRAINS
NEXT 5 MINUTES 4 FESTIVAL, AMSTERDAM, NETHERLANDS, September 2003.
- 2003 GENTERRA (Documentation and Ephemera)
GENESIS, BERKELEY ART MUSEUM, BERKELEY, CA, August 2003.
- 2003 FREE RANGE GRAINS
AT YOUR OWN RISK, FRANKFURT KUNSTHALLE, FRANKFURT, GERMANY,
June 2003;
(in collaboration with Critical Art Ensemble).
- 2003 GENTERRA
CLEAN ROOMS, NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM, LONDON, GREAT BRITAIN,
June 2003.
- 2003 MOLECULAR INVASION (Documentation and Ephemera) and GENTERRA
(Documentation and Ephemera), *WORLD INFORMATION ORGANIZATION*,
MUSEUM OF VOJVODINE, NOVI SAD, SERBIA, March 2003.
- 2003 MOLECULAR INVASION (Documentation and Ephemera) and GENTERRA
(Documentation and Ephemera), *WORLD INFORMATION ORGANIZATION*,
MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY ART, BELGRADE, SERBIA, April 2003.
- 2003 SWIPE PERFORMANCE
PITTSBURGH BIENNIAL, PITTSBURGH CENTER FOR THE ARTS, PITTSBURGH,
PA, March 2003 (in collaboration with Brooke Singer and Jamie Schulte).
- 2002 MOLECULAR INVASION (Installation and Live Action) and
GENTERRA (Documentation and Ephemera)
WORLD INFORMATION ORGANIZATION, OUDE KERK, AMSTERDAM,
NETHERLANDS, November 2002.
- 2002 MOLECULAR INVASION (Installation and Live Action)
CORCORAN COLLEGE OF ART AND DESIGN, WASHINGTON, DC, October 2002
(in collaboration with Critical Art Ensemble).
- 2002 GENTERRA (Documentation and Ephemera)
YOUGENICS, ORLO EXHIBITION SPACE, Portland, OR.
- 2002 CELLO
INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM on ELECTRONIC ART, NAGOYA, JAPAN,
October 2002.
- 2002 GENTERRA
OLDHAM GALLERY, MANCHESTER, UK, October 2002.

- 2002 SWIPE FLOOR EVENT
LULU TECH CIRCUS, RALEIGH, NC, September 2002
(in collaboration with Brooke Singer).
- 2002 TACTICAL GIZMOLOGY WORKSHOP AND ACTION
WE LOVE NYC, EYEBEAM, NYC, August 2002.
- 2002 HALIFAX BEGS YOUR PARDON (a project by the Tactical Art Coalition)
CITY OF HALIFAX, CANADA, July 2002
("Halifax begs your pardon" was part of a Tactical Media Laboratory facilitated in collaboration with Critical Art Ensemble at the KHYBER ARTS CENTER and the NOVA SCOTIA SCHOOL OF ART AND DESIGN).
- 2002 GENTERRA
OPEN_SOURCE_ART_HACK, NEW MUSEUM, NYC, June 2002.
- 2002 GENTERRA
GENESIS, HENRY ART GALLERY, SEATTLE, WA, April 2002.
- 2001 CELLO
30th ANNIVERSARY OF PITTSBURGH FILMMAKERS, PITTSBURGH FILMMAKERS, PITTSBURGH, PA, November 2001.
- 2001 GENTERRA
ST. NORBERT ART and CULTURAL CENTER, WINNIPEG, CANADA, July 2001.
- 2001 NOMADIKA (a project by TnA)
INTERNATIONAL SCULPTURE CONFERENCE, STOREFRONT WINDOW, CITY OF PITTSBURGH, PITTSBURGH, PA, June 2001.
- 2001 GENTERRA
LE MAGASIN, GRENOBLE, FRANCE, May 2001
(in collaboration with Critical Art Ensemble).
- 1999 EMUONS
GALLERIE AUTREP'ART, MARSEILLE, FRANCE, February 1999
(in collaboration with Jerome Marietti and Pascal Silondi).
- 1998 LA TOUR DE LA LUMIERE
GALLERIE APHANTALY, LA TOUR D'AIGES, FRANCE, October 1998
(a project by Alain Butard in collaboration with Jerome Marietti, Pascal Silondi and Beatriz da Costa).
- 1997 PENTIMENT
HAMBURG, GERMANY, August 1997.

INVITED LECTURES, PRESENTATIONS, AND WORKSHOPS

- 2004 POLITICAL ECOLOGY OF BIO-COMMERCE
4S CONFERENCE, PARIS, FRANCE, August 2004;
Panelist.
- 2004 SWIPE DEMO
EPIC, WASHINGTON, DC, May 2004;
(in collaboration with Jamieson Schulte & Brooke Singer)
Lecture.
- 2004 SWIPE LECTURE
THE UPGRADE, EYEBEAM, NYC, March 2004;
(in collaboration with Jamieson Schulte & Brooke Singer)
Lecture.
- 2004 SWIPE LECTURE & WORKSHOP
UC IRVINE, IRVINE, March 2004;
(in collaboration with Jamieson Schulte & Brooke Singer)
Lecture.
- 2003 LOW-TECH AND THE EVERYDAY
SARAI, DELHI, INDIA, December 2003;
Workshop.

- 2003 VISITING ARTIST LECTURE
MEDIA PUBLICS & PRACTICES SEMINAR, SARAI, CENTER FOR THE STUDIES OF DEVELOPING SOCIETIES, DELHI, INDIA, December 2003;
Lecture.
- 2003 FEMINIST APPROACHES TO TACTICAL MEDIA
NEXT 5 MINUTES 4 FESTIVAL, AMSTERDAM, NETHERLANDS, September 2003;
Panel Moderator.
- 2003 SWIPE LECTURE
BREAK2.2 FESTIVAL, LJUBLJANA, SLOVENIA, June 2003;
(presented by Brooke Singer).
- 2003 SWIPE LECTURE
SUBTLE TECHNOLOGIES CONFERENCE, TORONTO, CANADA, May 2003;
(joint presentation with Brooke Singer).
- 2003 ARTIST LECTURE
WORLD INFORMATION ORGANIZATION
(co-presentation with Critical Art Ensemble)
MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY ART, BELGRADE, SERBIA, April 2003;
Lecture.
- 2003 VISITING ARTIST LECTURE
(co-presentation with Critical Art Ensemble)
NOVI SAD CULTURAL CENTER, NOVI SAD, SERBIA, April 2003;
Lecture.
- 2003 TACTICAL MEDIA WORKSHOP
(facilitated in collaboration with Critical Art Ensemble)
KUDA.ORG, NOVI SAD, SERBIA, April 2003;
Workshop.
- 2003 VERSION >3 FESTIVAL
WHOSE SECURITY? DATA DETERMINISM AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF CONTROL, MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY ART, CHICAGO, IL, March 2003;
Panelist.
- 2002 LULU TECH CIRCUS
TACTICAL MEDIA and BIO-TECH INITIATIVES
RALEIGH, NC, September 2002;
Lecture.
- 2002 TACTICAL GIZMOLOGY WORKSHOP and ACTION
(in collaboration with Critical Art Ensemble)
NOMADS & HOMESTEADERS CONFERENCE, MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY ART, CHICAGO, IL, April 2002;
Workshop.
- 2001 TACTICAL GIZMOLOGY
(in collaboration with Critical Art Ensemble)
SATURDAY SCHOOL, RAID PROJECTS, LOS ANGELES, December 2001;
Lecture.

SELECTED REVIEWS

Journals and Magazines

- 2004 ARTFORUM, September 2004;
TACTICS INSIDE AND OUT, by Gregg Bordowitz;
Printed Art Journal.
- 2004 RHIZOME, Feb 9th 2004;
SWIPE IT, SWIPEIT GOOD, by Ryan Griffis;
Online Magazine.
- 2004 WIRED NEWS, Feb 5th 2004;
SWIPED OUT? GREAT TASTE, LESS PRIVACY, by Kim Zetter;
Online Edition.

- 2003 INTER ART ACTUEL, Québec, numero 83;
RESISTER AU BUNKER, by Critical Art Ensemble;
GenTerra Documentation;
Art journal.
- 2003 RES MAGAZINE, Jan/Feb, 2003;
GENETICALLY MODIFIED ART, by Leslie McCleave;
Art/Technology journal.
- 2002 NEURAL ONLINE
CELLO, ROBOT ART SONORA, Front Page Feature on December 12th;
Italian New Media Art, Emusic and Hacktivism Magazine.
- 2002 107 PARACHUTE
DEVIANT DISCOURSES, An interview with Critical Art Ensemble, by Don
Simmons, GenTerra Documentation;
Art/Technology journal.
- 2002 THE SPLEEN
EXCERPT FROM OPEN SOURCING NEW MEDIA, by Ricardo Miranda;
Online Magazine.
- 2002 ARTFORUM, May 2002;
Hotlist, Rachel Green on *OPEN_SOURCE_ART_HACK*;
Art journal.
- 2002 KUNSTFORUM INTERNATIONAL, Bd. 158, Jan-March 2002;
TRANSGENE KUNST, ANGST UND PROFIT IM VIERTEN BEREICH, by Critical Art
Ensemble, GenTerra Documentation;
Art journal.

Newspapers (selected)

- 2004 LA WEEKLY, May 28th;
GERM'S FOR ART'S SAKE?
By Judith Lewis.
- 2004 WASHINGTON POST, June 2nd;
The FBI'S ART ATTACK
By Lynne Duke.
- 2004 USA TODAY, June 3rd;
ANTI-TERRORISM AGENTS INVESTIGATE NEW YORK STATE ARTIST
By Carolyn Thompson.
- 2004 WIRED NEWS, June 4th;
TWISTED TALE OF ART, DEATH, DNA
By Mark Baard.
- 2004 THE NEW YORK TIMES, June 7th;
USE OF BACTERIA IN ART LEADS TO FEDERAL INQUIRY
By David Staba.
- 2004 THE GUARDIAN, UK, June 11th.
ART BECOMES THE NEXT SUSPECT IN AMERICA'S 9/11 PARANOIA
By Gary Younge.
- 2004 LIBERATION, France, June 15th;
LE FBI MEME TRAQUE LES EXPERIENCES ARTISTIQUES
By Fabrice Rouselot.
- 2003 PITTSBURGH POST-GAZETTE, March 21st;
*COVER STORY/ART PREVIEW: PCA UNVEILS ITS FIFTH AND LARGEST
BIENNIAL*,
By Mary Thomas.
- 2002 THE DAILY NEWS, Halifax, Canada, July 13th;
PRANK SHUTS DOWN HARBOUR, Black box on ferry, by Beth Johnson.
- 2002 NEW YORK TIMES, May 26th;
THE WONDERS OF GENETICS BREED A NEW ART, by Steven Henry Madoff.
- 2002 THE SEATTLE TIMES, April 6th;
SEATTLE SHOW BRINGS DNA DEBATE TO LIFE, by Eric Sorensen.

- 2001 PITTSBURGH POST-GAZETTE, Local News, June 5th;
SCULPTURE CONFERENCE HELPS CITY CARVE OUT NEW IMAGE,
by Caroline Abels.

Radio and Television (selected)

- 2004 NPR MORNING EDITION, June 14th 2004;
*NEW YORK YORK ARTIST FACE BIOTERRORISM FACES BIOTERRORISM
CHARGES*
Radio Coverage and Interview.
- 2004 MSNBC COUNTDOWN, May 29th 2004;
Television Interview.
- 2004 NPR, ALL THINGS CONSIDERED, April 1st 2004;
SWIPE COMBINES ID WITH ART
Radio Coverage.

SELECTED GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2003 BEALL CENTER for ART & TECHNOLOGY
Production grant for Swipe Performance and Workshop.
- 2003 FRANKLIN FURNACE
THE FUTURE OF THE PRESENT 2004;
Grant and Residency for Swipe Street Action.
- 2003 TURBULENCE commission;
For Swipe Website.
- 2003 EXPERIMENTAL TELEVISION CENTER, Finishing Funds;
Received for Swipe Project.
- 2002 CREATIVE CAPITAL FOUNDATION, Emerging fields category;
GenTerra, Molecular Invasion, and Free Range Grains are funded in part by
Creative Capital.
- 2001 SURG RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP, Carnegie Mellon University;
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