



Liz Cohen

Born: 1973, Phoenix, AZ Resides: Phoenix, AZ

### **Education**

MFA, Photography, California College of Art, San Francisco, CA - 2000 BFA, School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA – 1996 BA, Philosophy, cum laude with high thesis honors, Tufts University, Medford, MA - 1996

### **Solo Exhibitions**

2023

Museum of Contemporary Art, Detroit, 'Liz Cohen: Café Pan-Soviético Americano', Detroit, MI 2021 Sicardi Ayers Bacino, 'The Poet', Houston, TX Arizona State University Art Museum, 'Body/Magic', Tempe, AZ 2019 The Anderson Gallery, Virginia Commonwealth University, 'Liz Cohen: Hydro Force', Richmond, VA 2018 David Klein Gallery, 'Stories Better Told By Others', Detroit MI 2015 Cranbrook Art Museum, 'Him', Bloomfield Hills, MI 2012 David Klein Gallery, 'On the River Road: from Presidio to Terlingua', Birmingham, MI Land of Tomorrow, 'Routine Labor', Louisville, KY 2010 Salon 94, 'Trabantimino', New York, NY Joseph Gross Gallery, University of Arizona, 'Liz Cohen: Zwickau Routine', Tucson, AZ 2009 El Paso Museum of Art, 'Liz Cohen: The Builder and the Bikini Model', El Paso, TX Solo Exhibitions (cont)

2008

Stanlee and Gerald Rubin Center for the Visual Arts, University of Texas, 'No Room for Baggage', El Paso, TX 2006 Galerie Laurent Godin, Paris, FR 2005 Färgfabriken, 'BODYWORK, The Gender Turntable', Stockholm, SE 2004 Modern Culture, 'Bikini Carwash', New York, NY 2003 Manolo Garcia Gallery, 'Magically Yours'; with Catalina Rodriguez, San Francisco, CA 2002 Akademie Schloss Solitude, 'Neurotic Transbant (The Beginning)', Stuttgart, DE Akademie Schloss Solitude, 'Magically Yours'; with Catalina Rodriguez, Stuttgart, DE Spanganga, 'Bikini Carwash', San Francisco, CA 2001 Detour 888, 'Interview 9802: Liza Minelli, A Problem In Translation', San Francisco, CA 2000 San Francisco Arts Commission Gallery, 'Canal', San Francisco, CA

### **Projects/Events**

2022

'Greer Lankton Symposium', Performance with Eric Crosley, Mattress Factory, Pittsburgh, PA 2014 The Bridge, Bridghampton, NY 2013 Lowrider Super Show, 'Mainstreet Showdown', First Place Compact Radical and Special Recognition,



Española, NM Lowrider Super Show, 'Fresno Super Show', Fresno, CA Projects/Events (cont)

2008

Scottsdale Civic Center Mall, Scottsdale Public Art, 'Radical Mod', Scottsdale, CA

### **Selected Group Exhibitions**

2023

(upcoming) The Cheech – Riverside Art Museum, 'Xican—a.o.x. Body', Riverside, CA (upcoming) Denver Art Museum, 'Desert Rider: Dreaming in Motion', Denver, CO El Paso Museum of Art, 'A Dream in the Shadow of Something Real: Women in Art', El Paso, TX CCS Bard Hessel Museum, 'Ya Nada Es Como Antes (Nothing Is as It Used to Be)', Annandale-on-Hudson, NY Riverbank Arts, 'Timelines: The Art of the Calendar', Flint, MI 2022 Phoenix Art Museum, 'Desert Rider', Phoenix, AZ The Mattress Factory, 'Pop-Aganda', Pittsburgh, PA 2021 Cranbrook Art Museum, 'With Eyes Opened: Cranbrook Academy of Art Since 1932', Bloomfield Hills, MI Museo del Grabado ICPNA, 'Gráfica América', Lima, Peru The Church, 'Road Rage', Sag Harbor, NY Taller 99, 'Gráfica América', Santiago, CL 2020 Scottsdale Museum of Contemporary Art, 'Unapologetic', Scottsdale, AZ Phoenix Art Museum. 'Stories of Abstraction', Phoenix, AZ Cranbrook Art Museum, 'Shapeshifters: Abstraction and Representation in Contemporary Art', Bloomfield Hills, MI 2019 Toledo Museum of Art, 'Life is a Highway', Toledo, OH Museum of Latin American Art, 'Gráfica América', Long Beach, CA Muted Horn, 'Beyond Our Means', Cleveland, OH Selected Group Exhibitions (cont)

2018

Universidad Politecnica de Valencia, 'Breaking the Wall', Valencia, ES Cutler Plotkin Jewish Heritage Center, 'Tikkun Olam 3: Repairing the World', Phoenix, AZ The Halsted Gallery, 'Face Forward: Portraits 1939 to Present', Birmingham, MI 2017 Visionaire/The Gallery at Cadillac House, 'Visionaire Racing', New York, NY Der Grief/Unseen Amsterdam, 'Thread Count', Amsterdam, NL 2016 Embassy, 'Together/Alone', Los Angeles, CA Galerie Laurent Godin, '10 Years // 10 Ans', Paris, FR 2015 Art Basel, 'Our Hidden Futures', Miami Beach, FL David Klein Gallery, 'First Show', Detroit, MI Bolinas Art Museum, 'Self Made', Bolinas, CA 2014 Site Santa Fe, 'SITElines: Unsettled Landscapes', Santa Fe, NM Marianne Boesky Gallery, 'Another Look at Detroit', New York, NY Pitzer College Art Galleries, 'Racial Imaginary', Claremont, CA Walter and McBean Galleries, San Francisco Art Institute, 'Wrong's What I Do Best', San Francisco, CA The Bruce High Quality Foundation, 'The Last Brucennial', New York, NY 2013 Anonymous Gallery, 'Commercial Break', Mexico City, MX Museum of Contemporary Art, Detroit, 'Art X', Detroit, MI 2012 Eric Firestone Gallery, 'Parts and Service', East Hampton, NY 2011 Ballroom Marfa, 'Autobody', Marfa, TX Museum Tinguely, 'Car Fetish. I Drive Therefore I Am', Basel, CH Selected Group Exhibitions (cont)



2011 (cont)

Centre de Arte Contemporain, Maymec, 'Femme Objet / Femme Sujet', Meymac, FR  
Cranbrook Art Museum, 'No Object Is an Island', Bloomfield Hills, MI

54th Venice Biennale, Venice, 'Commercial Break', Garage Projects, Venice, IT 2009  
Northlight Gallery, Arizona State University, 'Hall of Mirrors', Tempe, AZ 2008  
Färgfabriken Norr, 'Teleport Färgfabriken', Östersund, SE  
Scottsdale Museum of Contemporary Art, 'Car Culture', Scottsdale, AZ  
Center, '18"', Berlin, DE 2007  
Oakland Museum of California, 'Artists of Invention: A Century of CCA', Oakland, CA  
Galeria de la Raza, 'No Distance Is More Awesome', San Francisco, CA 2006  
Ex Mercato Ortofrutticolo, 'FUORI USO 2006 – ALTERED STATES: Are You Experienced', Pescara, IT (Travelling Exhibition)  
Veleterzní Palác/National Gallery, 'Tina b.: The Prague Contemporary Art Festival (Same Same But Different)', Prague, CZ  
Richard L. Nelson Gallery, University of California, Davis and Pence Gallery, 'Joint Venture: Selections from the Dr. Barry S. Ramer Collection and Other Photographs', Davis, CA 2005  
Yerba Buena Center for the Arts, 'Bay Area Now 4', San Francisco, CA  
De Bond, 'Boost In the Shell (The Pursued)', Brugge, BE

## Honors

2020

Guggenheim Fellowship, John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation, New York, NY  
2019 Louis Comfort Tiffany Foundation Biennial Award, Louis Comfort Tiffany Foundation, New York, NY  
Honors (cont)

2011

Kresge Artist Fellow, Kresge Foundation, Detroit, MI

2008

Traveling Scholars' Award, School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA

2007

Artist's Project Grant, Arizona Commission for the Arts, Phoenix, AZ

2005

Creative Capital Foundation Project Grant, Creative Capital Foundation For the Arts, New York, NY



2002

San Francisco Award To Visual Artists, Artadia: The Fund for Art and Dialogue, New York, NY

Akademie Schloss Solitude, Stuttgart, DE; studio fellowship

2001

The MacDowell Colony, Peterborough, NH; studio residency

1999

The Photography Institute, New York, NY; fellowship

Bibliography: Monographs

2012

Chad Alligood, 'On the River Road: From Presidio to Terlingua', Bloomfield Hills: David Klein Gallery (exh cat)

2008

Liz Cohen, 'Radical Mod Magazine', Scottsdale: Scottsdale Public Art

2007

Liz Cohen, 'The 5 P's: Proper Planning Prevents Poor Performance', Paris: onestar press

2006

Liz Cohen, 'lizcohenbodywork', Paris: onestar press and Galerie Laurent Godin

Bibliography: Publications

2020

Andrew Blauvelt, 'With Eyes Opened: Cranbrook Academy of Art Since 1932', Bloomfield Hills: Cranbrook Art Museum, 2020, pp 120-121, 548, 551, ill Bibliography: Publications (cont)



2019

Robin Reisenfeld, Eleanor Heartney, Brian P Kennedy, Edward Drummond, 'Life Is a Highway: Art and American Car Culture', Toledo: Toledo Museum of Art, 2019, pp 82, 88, 90, 109, ill (exh cat)

2018

Alison J Carr, 'Viewing Pleasure and Being a Showgirl: How Do I Look? ', London and NewYork: Routledge, 2018, p 72

2016

Glenn Adamson and Julia Bryan-Wilson, 'Art in the Making: Artists and their Materials from the Studio to Crowdsourcing', London: Thames and Hudson, 2016, pp 99-101,104, ill

2015

Claudia Rankine, Beth Loffreda, Max King Capp (eds), 'The Racial Imaginary', Albany: Fence Books, 2015, pp 222, 226, 279, ill

2014

Janet Dees, Irene Hofmann, Candice Hopkins, Lucia Sanroman, and Lucy Lippard, 'Unsettled Landscapes', Santa Fe: Site Santa Fe, pp 16-17, 46, 57, 116-117 ill (exh cat)

2014

Kate Bonansinga, 'Curating at the Edge: Artists Respond to the US/Mexico Border', Austin: University of Texas Press, 2014, pp 109-122, ill

David Lipset and Richard Handler, 'Vehicles: Cars, Canoes, and Other Metaphors of Moral Imagination', Brooklyn: Berghahn Books, 2014, pp 175-176

2012

Ben Chappell, 'Lowrider Space: Aesthetics and Politics of Mexican American Custom Cars', Austin: University of Texas Press, 2012, pp 125, 225

2011

Gregory Wittkopp (ed), 'No Object is an Island', Bloomfield Hills: Cranbrook Art Museum, 2011, pp 110, ill (exh cat)

Julian Robson (ed), 'here', Philadelphia: Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, 2011, pp 23, 57-59, 63,110-111, ill (exh cat)



Museum Tinguely, Basel and Roland Wetzels (ed), 'Car Fetish: I Drive Therefore I Am', Heidelberg: Kehrer Verlag, 2011, pp 12, 84-85, ill (exh cat)

2008

Rita Gonzalez, Howard N. Fox, and Chon A. Noriega, 'Phantom Sightings: Art after the Chicano Movement', Los Angeles: University of California Press, 2008, p 231, ill

Jan Åman and Carlmichael Von Hauswolf, 'Teleport Färgfabriken: We Did Everything Wrong', Stockholm: Färgfabriken, 2008, pp 14, 90-91, 168-173, ill (exh cat) Bibliography: Publications (cont)

2008 (cont)

Marek Tomin and Eva Pivodova (eds), 'tina b. The Prague Contemporary Art Festival, Prague: Vernon Fine Art, 2008, p 20 ill (exh cat)

2007

Nicolas Bourriaud and Paolo Falcone, 'are you experienced (FUORIUSO '06 Altered States)', Pescara: Arte Nova, pp 26-29, 122 ill (exh cat)

'Artists of Invention: A Century of CCA', San Francisco: Wilsted and Taylor, pp 113, 123 ill (exh cat) 2007 (cont)

Chris Doyle (ed), '50,000 Beds', Connecticut: The Aldrich Contemporary Art Museum, Artspace, and Real Artways, pp 25, 34, 44-45 ill (exh cat)

Pierre Denan (ed), '1680 Grams of Art', Paris: M19, pp 398-425 ill

2006

Michel Dewilde, 'Boost in the Shell: The Persued', Brugge: DeBond, p 37 ill (exh cat)

2005

Yerba Buena Center for the Arts (eds), 'Bay Area Now 4', San Francisco: Yerba Buena Center For the Arts, pp 18-19, 114 ill (exh cat)

2002

Miriam Bers and Stefano Gualdi (eds), 'Parallel Worlds', Zug: Fine Arts Unternehmen Books, pp 8, 10, 12, 32-35, 50 ill (exh cat)



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Trimble, Lynn, 'Art as the Vehicle of Choice: Latinx and Indigenous artists use automobiles to amplify cultural identity and challenge systems of erasure', on: <https://hyperallergic.com>, August 18th, 2022, ill

'In Pictures: See Contemporary Artworks That Celebrate the Vibrant Creativity of Lowrider and Skate Culture', on: <https://artnet.com>, August 19th, 2022, ill

2021

Trimble, Lynn, 'Body/Magic: Liz Cohen', in: Southwest Contemporary, Vol. 2, Summer 2021, ill

Sam Ellefson, Q&A with Liz Cohen: Multimedia Artist and Educator on <https://wednesdayzine.com>, March 20th, 2021, ill

Gilger, Lauren, 'ASU Professor's 'Bodywork' Project Explores Identity, Femininity', on <https://fronterasdesk.org>, 2 February 2021, ill

2020

Davis, Kat, 'Liz Cohen: Don't Retreat', on: <http://lenscratch.com>, 30 November 2020, ill

Levitt, Shannon, 'Q&A: Liz Cohen and the Power of Radical Self-Expression', on: <http://www.jewishaz.com>, 21 April 2020, ill

Sussman, Deborah, 'A Space of Invention: ASU Photography Professor Awarded Guggenheim Fellowship', on: <https://asunow.asu.edu>, 13 April 2020, ill

Trimble, Lynn, 'A Phoenix Artist Has Been Named a 2020 Guggenheim Fellow' on: <https://www.phoenixnewtimes.com>, 13 April 2020, ill

Allen, Greg, 'ART MATTERS NOW – 12 Writers on 20 Years of Art: Greg Allen Reviews Artists in the Americas in 2005', on: <https://lareviewofbooks.org>, 17 February 2020, ill

2019

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2018

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2017

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Sheida Soleimani, Liz Cohen, Chanel Von-Habsburg Lothringen, 'Body/Politics', on: <https://www.natbrut.com>, Issue Eight, Spring 2017  
Rachel Cox, 'Liz Cohen: The States Project: Michigan' on: <http://lenscratch.com>, 11 February 2017

2016

Sarah Rose Sharp, 'In a Sprawling Collaboration, an Artist and Her Subject Craft His Identity' on: <https://hyperallergic.com>, 23 February 2016 Bibliography: Selected Articles  
Jen Graves, 'How Creative Capital Replaced the NEA and Taught Artists to Be Ambitious' in: The Stranger, 30 March 2016

2015

Masimilfano Durón, 'Preview Art Basel Miami Beach 2015, Part 2' on: <https://www.artnews.com>, 1 December 2015  
Christopher F. Schuetze, 'Film Carves Out Its Place at Art Basel in Maimi' in: International New York Times, 2 December 2015

2014

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El Whyner, '1987 Trabant 601 Deluxe - The Professor Knows Best' in: Lowrider Magazine, June 2014, pp 102-103, ill  
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2008

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## 2007

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Jen Graves, 'Liz Cohen Interviewed by Jen Graves', in: The Believer, November/December 2007, pp 79-86, ill  
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Benjamin Genocchio, 'Hotel Rooms Set the Scene, and 45 Artists Star', in: The New York Times, 5 August 2007  
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Phoenix Art Museum Scottsdale Museum of Contemporary Art (SMoCA)  
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Site Santa Fe, Santa Fe, NM  
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