

2017 JURIED EXHIBITION



NAEA would like to thank the following representatives from seven member schools of the Association of Independent Colleges of Art and Design (AICAD) who participated as jurors.



School of the Museum of Fine Arts



School of the Museum of Fine Arts / Tufts University (SMFA/Tufts)

Karen Townsend, Director of Admissions

Karen Townsend is an artist and enrollment professional with 19 year of experience. She has worked at six unique colleges of art and design, up and down the east coast, to demystify the admissions process and to help create pathways to and through art school for young aspiring artists. She has served multiple terms as President of the National Portfolio Day Association throughout her career. Karen earned her BFA in interdisciplinary fine arts from the Corcoran College of Arts and Design | GW University in Washington, D.C., and is currently the Director of Admissions at Tufts University | SMFA at Tufts in Medford, MA.



MASSACHUSETTS COLLEGE
OF ART AND DESIGN



Massachusetts College of Art and Design (MassArt)

Corey Corcoran, Assistant Director of Admissions

Corey Corcoran is an Assistant Director of Admissions at Massachusetts College of Art and Design as well as a practicing artist based in Boston. Trained as a painter, Corcoran's recent work combines drawing with sculpture, video, and animation. He holds a BFA from MassArt and his work has been exhibited at venues that include LaMontagne Gallery, Suffolk University Art Gallery, deCordova Sculpture Park + Museum, and Boston Center for the Arts.

KANSAS CITY ART INSTITUTE

A four-year college of art and design



Kansas City Art Institute (KCAI)

Darcy Deal, Senior Admissions Specialist

Darcy Deal is from South Bend, IN. She has BFA from KCAI and MFA from Cornell University in Ithaca, NY. Darcy has been recruiting students for Kansas City Art Institute since 1994, and she is an active member of the National Portfolio Day Association (NPDA). Darcy has also served several terms as co-president of NPDA.



Memphis College of Art



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Hannah Mathews, Executive Admissions Counselor

Hannah Mathews graduated from Delta State University in Cleveland, MS, in 2013 with a BFA in Sculpture with a double minor in Art History and Film Production. She has shown work her with the Delta International Film Festival for several years. She is also a longtime participant in Forging on the River, hosted by the National Ornamental Metals Museum in Memphis, TN. As the Executive Admissions Counselor of Memphis College of Art, she spends five months of the year traveling to meet fellow aspiring artists and gathering content for her film work. She is currently residing in Memphis with her dog, and is working on a series of paintings created by smoke bombs—to the endless the frustration of her neighbors.

NEW HAMPSHIRE INSTITUTE *of* ART



New Hampshire Institute of Art (NHIA)

Laura Stevenson, Director of Student Recruitment

Laura Stevenson is the Director of Student Recruitment at the New Hampshire Institute of Art in Manchester. She holds a MFA in Painting from the University of New Hampshire, and received her Bachelor of Arts from Taylor University in Upland, IN.



College for Creative Studies (CCS)

Eric Kaster, CCS Regional Rep

Eric Kaster earned his BFA from Columbus College of Art & Design in Columbus, OH, majoring in Illustration. He served as Assistant Dean of Admissions at the Ringling College of Art and Design, Sarasota, FL, and as Dean of Enrollment Management at the Columbus College of Art & Design in Columbus, and now works as a regional representative for the College for Creative Studies in Detroit, MI. Eric enjoys assisting students, their families, and educators in the admissions and financial aid processes, as well as advising students on their artwork through portfolio development. He is happiest professionally when working with students to reach their artistic potential within their portfolio work. Eric is also a passionate photographer whose images depict the natural beauty in both organic and man-made subject matter, as reflected through the lens of his extensive travel over 30-plus years of Admissions work. Eric currently resides in Delaware, OH, with his wife Debra and their very human felines, Fergus and Freya, and enjoys working on home improvement projects when time allows.



School of the Art Institute
of Chicago



School of the Art Institute of Chicago (SAIC)

Sean Michael Hogan, Assistant Director of Undergraduate Admissions

Sean Michael Hogan is currently an Assistant Director of Undergraduate Admissions at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago (SAIC), where he earned his BFA in Studio in 2014. Sean has taught painting and drawing in a variety of settings and maintains a studio practice based largely in pattern making and vibrantly-colored illustration
