

The Big Show 2016 Participating Artists & Awards Announcement

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Houston, TX - Lawndale Art Center is pleased to announce **The Big Show 2016** award winner selected by guest jurors Apsara DiQuinzio, Curator of Modern and Contemporary Art and Phyllis C. Wattis MATRIX Curator of the BAMPFA (Berkeley Arts Museum and Pacific Film Archive), and Tina Kukielski, Executive Director of ART21.

The \$3000 award, generously underwritten by Kathrine McGovern/McGovern Foundation, was presented to Katya Vassilyeva for the piece titled *First Cause*.

A total of 105 works by 87 artists were selected for the exhibition from 1,389 works submitted by 517 artists. Artists selected for the exhibition include:

Fariba Abedin, Isela Aguirre, Ann Albritton, Ariana Andrei, Daniela Antelo in collaboration with Clay Zapalac, Alphonse Argieard, Chris Bakay, Steven Baptiste, Amaechina Blot, Maria T. Bodelon-Nelson, Tania Botelho, Celan Bouillet, Allen Bourne, Susan Budge, Carolina Buitrago, Erick Calderon, Carlos Canul, Jorge Canul, Tracy Carlson, Mary H. Case, Lindy Chambers, Michelle Chen-Dubose, Peter Chok, Lim Chung, Dominic Clay, Angela Corson, Shannon Crider, Jessica Crowl, Marky Dewhirst, William Dixon, Adrienne Duncan, Roslyn M. Dupre', Noah Edmundson, Kwanzaa Edwards, Karen Eisele, Tatiana Escallon, Diane Fraser, Gao Hang, Yvonne Gerych, Pablo Gimenez-Zapiola, David P. Gray, Wanda Harding, Nina Hays, Marcos Hdez, Jimmy Hines, Rhonda Holleman, Hedwige Jacobs, Christy Karl, James Kerley, Hogan Kimbrell, Iva Kinnaird, Koerie, Joan Laughlin, Maureen Lax, Beth LeBlanc, Patti Lennon, Marie Leterme, Denise Liebl, Lulu Lin, Wyatt Little, D.W. Longtin, Max Manning, Colleen Maynard, Kelly O'Brien, Aranxa Ortega, John Oualline, Quentin Pace, Annette Palmer, Page Piland, Chasity Porter, Alejandro Rosas, Penelope Ross, Robert Ruello, Ann Randolph Sandberg, Rajab Sayed, A. M. Schaer, Mireille Schellhorn, Wade Schmitz, Cassie Skelly, Megan Spacek, Stacy Anne Tracy, Rosa Valdovinos, Justin Varner, Katya Vassilyeva, Elise Weber, William Witte and Adrienne Wong

The Big Show will be on view at Lawndale Art Center through August 27, 2016.

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ABOUT THE BIG SHOW

The Big Show is an annual juried exhibition showcasing new work in all media by artists living within a 100-mile radius of Lawndale Art Center.

ABOUT THE GUEST JURORS

Curator of Modern and Contemporary Art and Phyllis C. Wattis MATRIX Curator **Apsara DiQuinzio** joined BAMPFA (Berkley Art Museum & Pacific Film Archive) in the fall of 2012, and since then has organized over a dozen exhibitions, including *Color Shift; Ballet of Heads: The Figure in the Collection*, and MATRIX exhibitions with Nicole Eisenman, Paz Errázuriz, Anna Maria Maiolino, Geta Brătescu, John Zurier, Eric Baudelaire, Tarek Atoui, and many others. Before coming to BAMPFA, she was assistant curator of painting and sculpture at SFMOMA, where she organized solo exhibitions with Trisha Donnelly, Vincent Fecteau, R.H. Quaytman, and Paul Sietsema, as well as the major group exhibitions *Six Lines of Flight: Shifting Geographies in Contemporary Art* and *The Air We Breathe: Artists and Poets Reflect on Marriage Equality*. Prior to SFMOMA, DiQuinzio worked at the Whitney Museum of American Art, where she co-organized the 2004 Whitney Biennial, among numerous other exhibitions. She has contributed to journals such as *Artforum*, *Mousse*, *Cura*, and *The Exhibitionist*, in addition to writing for many exhibition catalogs.

Tina Kukielski is executive director of Art21, a nonprofit art organization specializing in digital media about contemporary art, and a curator and writer based in New York City. She has previously held curatorial positions at the Whitney Museum of American Art and the Carnegie Museum of Art, and has independently curated art projects around the world. She was a co-curator of the acclaimed 2013 *Carnegie International* and was recently included in a list of “25 Women Curators Shaking Things Up” by artnet.com. She is curating the first museum exhibition of artist Susan Te Kahurangi King for the ICA Miami.

ABOUT LAWNDALE ART CENTER

Lawndale Art Center is an alternative art space founded in 1979. For over 36 years, Lawndale has dedicated itself to the support of contemporary art with a particular focus on the work of Houston and Texas-based artists.

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For More Info: www.lawndaleartcenter.org or askus@lawndaleartcenter.org

Gallery Hours: Monday-Friday, 10-5; Saturday, 12-5; Closed Sunday

Admission: Free

Exhibition on view: July 22 – August 27, 2016

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