

# Stephanie Benassi

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## education

Master of Fine Arts , Photography and Film  
Virginia Commonwealth University, 2010

Bachelor of Fine Arts, Photography, Minor Art History  
University of Massachusetts Dartmouth, 2004  
*Summa Cum Laude*

## exhibitions

Solo and Two Person Exhibitions:

2014

Drive-By (Exhibition with Jaimes Mayhew) Workhouse Arts Center, Lorton, VA  
Cipher, Julio Fine Arts Gallery, Loyola University, Baltimore, MD

2011

They Live (Exhibition with George Pfau) Broward College , Davie, FL  
[AURA] The Experiment: An Exploration with the Medium, New Image Gallery  
(James Madison University), Harrisonburg, VA

Selected Group Exhibitions:

2014

Sondheim Semi-Finalist, Decker and Meyerhoff, Maryland Institute College of Art

2013

The Refrigerator Space, Richmond, VA  
Time on Our Hands, Eckhaus Gallery, Kutztown University, PA

2012

Ripple Effect: Currents in Socially Engaged Art, Floating Lab Collective, The Art Museum of the Americas  
Catch 22 Art Auction, 1708 Non-profit Gallery, Richmond

2011

Image Fix, curated by Aaron McIntosh, Capitol One Center, Richmond, VA

2010

Time For Light: Society of Photographic Educators, Devries Art Gallery, Kalamazoo, MI  
Irresistible Apparatus, Gallery Eight West, Richmond, VA  
MFA Thesis Exhibition (Round 2), Anderson Gallery, Richmond, VA  
Balloon Boy Blues and Other Photographic Disruptions, Capital One, Richmond, VA  
Nobody Puts Baby in the Corner, Richmond, VA

2009

Where Is The Art in This?, Richmond, VA  
Five Past One, Virginia Commonwealth University Candidacy Exhibition, Richmond, VA

## residencies

2010  
Vermont Studio Center

2012  
Virginia Creative Center for the Arts

## art collective

Floating Lab Collective: New Media, Research, Interactivity (FLC)  
[www.floatinglabcollective.org](http://www.floatinglabcollective.org)

## collections

Capitol One Corporation  
Private Collections

## teaching experience

2011- current  
George Mason University, Art and Visual Technology  
Department of Photography, Department of New Media  
Professor of Photography and New Media

2011  
Virginia Commonwealth University, School of the Arts, Art Foundation  
Instructor in Time Studio (Introduction to New Media)

## publications

"Thoughtography" work featured in a lecture by Nick DeFord: "Talking Boards"  
PechaKucha Night Knoxville, Volume 4  
Relix  
1208 Central Ave, Knoxville, TN  
November 11, 2011

Virginia Commonwealth School of Art Graduate Thesis Catalog  
e-book  
forward by Jack Risley  
2011

Pennsylvania Center for the Book: Penn State  
"Acorn form Space: The Kecksburg Incident"  
by Matthew Dinkel  
2010

[AURA]  
Stephanie Benassi  
Virginia Commonwealth University Library Digital Archives  
2010

Little Brown Mushroom Miscellanea  
by Alec Soth  
<http://littlebrownmushroom.tumblr.com/page/60>  
2010

## guest lectures and awards

2014

Julio Fine Arts Gallery, Loyola University, Maryland: Artist Lecture and Honorarium

2013

Eckhaus Gallery, Kutztown University: Artist Lecture and Honorarium

2012

Virginia Creative Center for the Arts Residency Grant

2011

Broward College: Artist Lecture and Honorarium

James Madison University: Artist Lecture and Honorarium

2010

Vermont Studio Center Residency Grant

Virginia Commonwealth University Graduate Thesis / Dissertation Assistantship

Virginia Commonwealth University Graduate Teaching Assistantship

2009

1708 Graduate Artist Forum Nominee, 1708 Gallery's Fourth Annual Graduate Artist Talk, Richmond, VA

Virginia Commonwealth University Graduate Teaching Assistantship

2008

Virginia Commonwealth University Graduate Teaching Assistantship

2007

Excellence in Mentoring Award from the Rhode Island Mentoring Partnership