

ABOUT

FORCE: Upsetting Rape Culture creates art actions to upset the culture of rape and promote a culture of consent. FORCE is led by Co-Founder Hannah Brancato, Chief Operating Officer Saida Agostini, & Studio Manager Shanti Flagg and was co-founded in 2010 by Hannah Brancato and Rebecca Nagle.

GRANTS AND AWARDS

- 2017 Grantee, The Krieger Fund
Grantee, Baltimore Community Foundation Renewal Fund
Grantee, JM Kaplan Foundation
Grantee, The Grit Fund, Contemporary Museum
Blue Mountain Center Residency
- 2016 Awardee, Janet and Walter Sondheim Artscape Prize
Grantee, Robert W. Deutsch Foundation
Grantee, Art Matters Foundation
Grantee, Mayor's Office on Criminal Justice
Grantee, Free Fall Baltimore
Grantee, MECU Neighborhood Arts Grant
- 2015 Fellowship, Open Society Institute-Baltimore
Awardee, PNC Transformative Art Prize
Grantee, The Harnisch Foundation
Grantee, Baltimore Community Foundation
Grantee, Research Associates Foundation
Grantee, The Krieger Foundation
- 2014 Blue Mountain Center Focus Residency
Grantee, National Endowment for the Arts Our Town Grant program partner
Grantee, Baltimore Community Foundation
Grantee, Sparkplug Foundation
- 2013 100 Most Creative People in Business, Fast Company
Janet and Walter Sondheim Artscape Prize Semi-Finalist
Grantee, Research Associates Foundation
Grantee, Maryland Institute College of Art Office of Community Engagement (MICA)

LECTURES AND WORKSHOPS

- Artist Talk and Consent Workshop, Ohio University, Athens, OH (2017)
- Resident Artist, The Park School of Baltimore, Pikesville, MD (2017)
- Artist Talk, Columbus College of Art and Design, Columbus, OH (2017)
- Keynote Speaker, Tennessee Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence, Nashville, TN (2017)
- Keynote Speaker, The Maryland Coalition Against Sexual Assault Women of Color Network, Bowie, MD (2017)
- Artist Talk, Towson University, Baltimore, MD (2017)
- Artist Talk, Colgate University, Hamilton, NY (2016)
- Artist Talk, Maryland Institute College of Art, Baltimore, MD (2016)
- Break Out Session, Creative Time Summit, Washington DC (2016)
- Webinar, National Latin@ Network of Casa de Esperanza (2016)
- Panelist, Women of the World Conference, Baltimore, MD (2016)
- Webinar, Army Sexual Harassment/Assault Response and Prevention (2016)
- Panelist, Maryland Citizens for the Arts ArtsLab, Baltimore, MD (2016)

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Webinar, SisterSong Women of Color Reproductive Justice Collective (2016)
Keynote Speaker, Tennessee Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence, Nashville, TN (2015)
Consent Workshop, Morgan State University, Baltimore, MD (2015)
Quilt Workshop, Imagining America Conference, Baltimore, MD (2015)
Speaker, Kennedy Krieger Institute 5th Biennial Trauma Conference, Baltimore, MD (2015)
Panelist, Hidden in Plain Sight: Recognizing and Rejecting Rape Culture, St Peter, MN (2015)
Quilt Workshop, Planned Parenthood Generation Action Conference, Washington, DC (2015)
Webinar, National Indigenous Women's Resource Center (2015)
Webinar, National Sexual Violence Resource Center (2015)
Webinar, Native Alliance Against Violence (2015)
Webinar, North Carolina Coalition Against Sexual Assault (2015)
Culture Jamming Workshop, Johns Hopkins University Digital Media Center, Baltimore, MD (2014)
Freshmen Orientation Consent Workshop, Maryland Institute College of Art, Baltimore, MD (2013, 2014)
Consent Workshop, Ohio University, Athen, OH (2014)
Culture Jamming Workshop, Allied Media Conference, Detroit, MI (2014)
Artist Talk, University of Illinois Women's Center, Champaign, IL (2014)
Artist Talk and Workshop, Millersville University, Lancaster, PA (2014)
Communications Workshop, North Carolina Coalition Against Sexual Assault Training, Charlotte, NC (2014)
Consent Workshop, Saint Michael's College, Colchester, VT (2014)
Communications Workshop, Louisiana Conference on Sexual Assault and Family Violence, Baton Rouge, LA (2013)
Artist Talk, University of Maryland Baltimore County, Baltimore, MD (2013)
Artist Talk and Consent Workshop, Oberlin College, Oberlin, OH (2013)
Artist Talk and Consent Workshop, University of Wisconsin Oshkosh, Oshkosh, WI (2013)
Communications Workshop, National Sexual Assault Conference, Los Angeles, CA (2013)
Artist Talk and Consent Workshop, South Puget Sound Community College, Olympia, WA (2013)
Artist Talk, Women's Health Expo, University of Maryland, Baltimore, MD (2013)
Artist Talk and Consent Workshop, MICA, Baltimore, MD (2013)
Artist Talk, George Washington University, Washington DC (2013)

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The Guardsman, "The Monument Quilt' pops up at CCSF football field to fight against rape culture." April 2017
The Bottom Line UCSB, "The Monument Quilt" pops up at CCSF football field to fight against rape culture." April 2017
Surface Design Journal, "The Art of Repair: Skills Sharing to Foster Community and Social Change." Fall 2016
Baltimore Sun Op-Ed, "The Burden of Black Women." November 2016
Hyperallergic, "At Standing Rock, Two Artists Help Women Confront the Trauma of Sexual Violence." November 2016
Bitch Media, "We Are Still Here, We Persever: A Dispatch from Standing Rock." November 2016
WYPR Midday, "Confronting Sexual Assault And Rape Culture." October 2016
Baltimore Magazine, "Full Force: a local organization combines art and activism to support survivors of assault." June 2016
Baltimore Post Examiner, "Baltimore Museum of Art's exhibition spotlights rape and recovery." June 2016
Refinery 29, "Rape & Abuse Survivors Are Making A Powerful Statement With This Project." April 2016
WBAL TV, "Monument Quilt to blanket Baltimore." April 2016
Baltimore Citypaper, "The Monument Quilt brings art, performance, mayoral candidates to North Avenue." April 2016
Afterimage, Vol. 43, No. 4, "Envisioning a Culture of Consent: A Conversation with FORCE." January 2016
Indian Law Resource Center, "Quilt Walk – Demanding Justice for Native Women and Children." December 2015
The Independent Florida Alligator, "Textile Healing." October 2015

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Bmore Art, "FORCE's Monument Quilt @ JHU." September 2015
ABC 2 WMAR, "Monument Quilt at Towson University," April 2015
Bust, "The Monument Quilt: Building Communities, Empowering Rape Survivors." August 2014
Cosmopolitan, "Powerful project helps sexual assault survivors feel less isolated." August 2014
CNN, "Quilt Project Shares Rape Survivors' Stories," August 2014
MSNBC, "Monument Quilt Provides Healing For Survivors Of Sexual Assault," August 2014
Bustle, "The Monument Quilt Is Traveling The Nation To Share Sexual Assault Survivor's Stories," August 2014
Fast Company, "Fighting Rape Culture With A Giant, Touring 'Monument Quilt,'" August 2014
Washington Post, "Sexual Assault Survivor Quilt Visits Baltimore," August 2014
WBEZ Chicago, "Large Quilt Honors Victims Of Sexual Assault," August 2014
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Huffington Post, "Consent Just Got Even Sexier With This New Condom Line," April 2014
Think Progress, "Feminist Activists Are Selling A New Line Of Consent Condoms To Tackle Rape Culture," April 2014
Bustle, "For International Women's Day 2014, The 10 Best Projects And Nonprofits Empowering Women," March 2014
The New York Times, "Making Consent Cool," February 2014
NPR's All Things Considered, "Playboy Gets Pranked: Group Flips the Script on Sex." January 2014
Huffington Post Live, "Interview with Rebecca Nagle about Playboy Hack," September 2013
New York Magazine, "Anti-Rape Activists Give Playboy a Makeover," September 2013
BUZZFEED, "Playboy Guide Turns out to be a Hoax," September 2013
Huffington Post, "Anti-Rape Activist Group FORCE was Behind the Fake Playboy Party School List," September 2013
Upworthy, "This List Fooled Me Into Thinking Playboy Cared About Women," September 2012
The Electronic Frontier Foundation, "Dear Playboy," September 2013
The Atlantic Wire, "Sorry No Playboy Did Not Write Anti-Rape College Guide," September 2013
Feministing, "Feminist Pranksters Create Fake Playboy Guide to a Consensual Good Time," September 2013
Bitch, "Playboy Gets Pranked By Students," September 2013
Slate, "Consent Guide is a Hoax, Playboy Should Publish It," September 2013
Jezebel, "FORCE and College Students Take Credit for Playboy Hoax," September 2013
Salon, "Playboy Promotes Consent, Psyche!," Sept 2013
The Real News, "Activists Unveil Massive Quilt," September 2013
Slate, "The Playboy Guide to Consent is a Hoax. Playboy Should Publish It," September 2013
The Daily Beast, "How a prank on Playboy Fooled the Internet," September 2013
The Good Men Project, "100 Red Quilts, Public Space for Survivors to Heal," September 2013
WYPR Maryland Morning Sheila Kast, "Let's Talk About Sex. No, Let's Actually Talk About It." June 2013
Newsweek, "A Giant Quilt for Rape Victims," June 2013
Bitch, "We need a National Monument to Survivors of Sexual Violence," May 2013
Everyday Feminism, "Helping Survivors Heal," May 2013
The Huffington Post, "I Can't Forget What Happened but No One Else Remembers," Feb 2013
Policy Mic, "Sexual Violence Art Installation Aims to End Violence," Feb 2013
The Huffington Post, "PINK loves CONSENT sparks Victoria's Secret Confusion," December 2012
The New York Daily News, "Feminist group leaves consent-themed panties in Victoria's Secret," December 2012
New York Magazine, "The Anti-Rape Panties of Victoria's Secret," December 2012
Bust Magazine, "Victoria's Secret gets a Kick Ass Message Make-Over," December 2012
Jezebel, "But What if Victoria's Secret Did Launch a Consent-themed Underwear," December 2012
Baltimore Sun, "Baltimore duo fights rape culture, takes on Congress, Victoria's Secret," December 2012
Electronic Frontiers Foundation, "I See London I See France," December 2012
Business Insider, "Is This What a Victoria's Secret Sabotage Looks Like?," December 2012
The Nation, "Ending Rape Illiteracy", October 2012
Salon, "Still Want to Fight a War on Women?," October 2012