

John Cairns

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Education

- 2013 MFA, Electronic Art, University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH
- 2010 BFA, magna cum laude, Art and Technology, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH
- 2006 AAS, Graphic Communications Technology, Columbus State Community College, Columbus, OH

Exhibitions

- 2020 *New Faculty Show*, Acock Gallery, Columbus College of Art & Design, Columbus, OH
- 2019 *Grove City Public Library Exhibition*, Grove City Arts Council, Grove City, OH
- 2016 *Wild Artists Homecoming*, Wild Goose Creative, Columbus, OH
- Juried Exhibition
 - Artwork Sold
- Arts in the Alley*, Grove City, OH
- Juried Community Arts Exhibition
- Kings Highway Kabinet – Geometry in the Life of Artists*, Drury University's Olin Library and an Electronic Exhibit, Springfield, MO
- Group Exhibition
 - Curated by Matthew Eric Mendez
 - Catalogue
- 2015 *A Galaxy Far Away*, Wild Goose Creative, Columbus, OH
- Juried Exhibition
 - Curated by Danielle Rante
- Interventions*, The Pearl Conard Art Gallery, Ohio State University, Mansfield Campus, Mansfield, OH
- Fuse Factory 2015 annual juried exhibition
 - Curated by Doo-sung Yoo
- Black /White*, The Neihoff Gallery, Coryville, OH and Harvest Gallery, Cincinnati, OH
- Dual installation
 - Curated by Modern Makers group
 - Catalogue
- 2014 *Readymade@100*, The American University Museum at the Katzen Arts Center, Washington D.C.
- Juried
 - Curated by Mark Cameron Boyd
 - Catalogue
- The Moon Show*, Semantics Gallery, Cincinnati, OH

- Curated by artist collective Near*By (Chris Reeves, Loraine Wible, Anastasia Yatsuk, John Auer, Joe Hedges, and Maria Seda-Reeder)
- 2013 *Basic Needs*, Semantics Gallery, Cincinnati, OH
- Curated by Andy Marko
- DAAP Works VIP Celebration*, Sycamore Gallery, Cincinnati, OH
- Launch: Master of Fine Arts Thesis Exhibition*, Sycamore Gallery, Cincinnati, OH
- Curated by Joe Girandola
 - Catalogue
- 2012 *Automedia*, Semantics Gallery, Cincinnati, OH
- Open Studio Event UC Graduate Exhibition*, Scioto Studios, Cincinnati, OH
- ETech Ohio Conference*, The Greater Columbus Convention Center, Columbus, OH
- Curated by Brooke Hunter-Lombardi
- ETech Ohio Conference*, Ohio University Second Life Online Gallery, Internet
- Cleveland Clinic Artwork Auction*, Cleveland Clinic Gallery, Cleveland, OH
- Rocky Reels Short Film Festival*, University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH
- Curated by Charlie Woodman
- UC Graduate First Year Showcase*, 840 Gallery, Cincinnati, OH
- We Ain't What We Used to Be*, Two-person show with painter Nicole Trimble, 840 Gallery, Cincinnati, OH
- 2011 *Rocky Reels Short Film Festival*, University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH
- Curated by Charlie Woodman
- 2010 *Inventeur*, The Silver Image Gallery, Columbus, OH
- Curated by Amy Youngs and Ken Rinaldo

Professional Experience

- 2019 – Present Assistant Professor, Columbus College of Art & Design, Columbus, OH
- Motion for Illustration
 - Digital Sculpture for Illustration
 - Graduate Digital Culture
 - Introduction to Computer Programming for Visual Artists
- 2015 – 2019 Adjunct Faculty, School of Art, College of Design, Architecture, Art, and Planning, University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH
- Basic 3D Animation for non-DAAP majors
 - Prepared syllabus
 - Educated students about the techniques and production flow of Autodesk 3D Studio Max
- Adjunct Faculty, Columbus College of Art & Design, Columbus OH
- Digital Culture Course for Graduate level studies
 - Edited and prepared syllabus
 - Created assignments and course lectures

- Communicated with and arranged visiting artists
- 2014 – Present Graduate Student Mentor, Columbus College of Art & Design, Columbus OH
 - Guide Graduate Students as they develop their visual projects
- 2013 – 2019 Graduate Admissions Counselor, Columbus College of Art & Design, Columbus, OH
 - Recruit creative professionals for the Master of Fine Arts in Visual Arts: New Projects Program internationally and nationally
 - Develop communication tools to reach domestic and international prospects
 - Travel domestically to educate diverse audiences about graduate studies
- 2012 – 2013 Instructor of Record, School of Art, College of Design, Architecture, Art, and Planning, University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH
 - Special New Media Studio
 - Time Based Foundations Studio
- 2012 Graduate Teaching Assistant, School of Art, College of Design, Architecture, Art, and Planning, University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH
 - Visual Concepts
- 2012 – 2013 Fine Arts Graduate Student Association President, Graduate Student Government Association, University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH
 - Organized and secured funds for DAAP VIP Celebration (2013), DAAP Traveling Mural Event (2013), Open Studio Event UC Graduate Exhibition (2012)
- 2011 – 2013 Graduate Assistant, School of Arts, University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH
 - Maintained electronic labs and school of art webpage
 - Trained students to use 3D capturing and printing technology
- 2010 Teaching Assistant, School of Art, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH
 - New Media Robotics
- 2007 – 2009 Education Purchasing Assistant, The Wexner Center for the Arts, Arts Education Department, Columbus, OH
 - Purchased materials for visiting artists and events

Awards

- 2016 Greater Columbus Arts Council Materials Grant, Columbus, OH
 - \$354 award
- 2015 Greater Columbus Arts Council Semi Finalist for Columbus Convention Center Garage Tile Project, Columbus, OH
 - \$500 award
- 2013 DAAP Outstanding Fine Arts Graduate Student, Cincinnati, OH
 Rockwood Electronic Art Grant, Cincinnati, OH
 - \$1,000 award
 Graduate Student Initiative Award, Graduate Government Student Association, Cincinnati, OH

- 2012-2013 Graduate Government Student Association Group Grant Award, Cincinnati, OH
- 2012 Graduate Teaching Assistantship Award; University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH
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- Rockwood Electronic Art Grant, Cincinnati, OH
 - \$1,000
- 2011-2012 Graduate Teaching Assistantship Award; University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH

Collaborative Projects

- 2020 *HUGS*, Mobile Application featured on Apple and Play app stores
 - Hugs.care
 - Created a hepatic mobile application to bring human affection during the pandemic to the staff of the Columbus Homeless Youth Shelters including Star and Huckleberry House
 - Directed visual development, social media campaigns, partner communications, and sensory experience
 - Semi-Finalist for Nationwide Children’s Hospital Technology Award
- 2019 *Cicadas*, Beeler Gallery, Columbus College of Art & Design, Columbus, OH
 - Created the Augmented Experience for AR performance
 - Directed documentation of performance
- 2015 *Convergence/Divergence*, Maumee River Valley, OH
 - The installation was a part of an interdisciplinary symposium on improvisation hosted by Bowling Green State University’s College of Arts and Sciences
 - Prepared, recorded, and submitted audio component
 - Collaborated with visual artist Curtis Goldstein
- 2014 *Hilltop Stories*, Contemporary Arts Center, Cincinnati, OH
 - Worked with local community as video and sound editor for short films
- 2012-2013 *Elephant Playground*, Public Sculpture Initiative, Cincinnati, OH
 - Designed and created full scale metal, elephant shaped, playground with Corrina Mehiel, Rachel Lundak, Jon Lundak, and Matt Lynch
- 2013 *DAAP Traveling Mural Event*, DAAP Atrium, Cincinnati, OH
 - Worked with local Cincinnati High School students in the creation of portable painted panels

Commissions

- 2013 *Picture of Health Art Auction & Gala*, Lake County Free Clinic, Painesville, OH
- 2011 -2013 *The Flushville Four* by Deborah Lonzer, 16 book illustrations and typography, Cleveland Clinic, Fairfax Publications, Cleveland, OH

Television

- 2020 Mathew Hargett, “HUGS Project”, 10TV WBNS, Columbus, OH
- 2014 Margaret Daykin, “No Pressure Potty Training”, Fox8, Cleveland, OH

Conferences

- 2020 AICAD Symposium, "Unprecedented Hope with Remote Clarity", Presenter, Virtual
- 2013 Being Undisciplined: An Interdisciplinary Graduate Student Conference, Panelist, University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH
- 2012 ETech Ohio Conference, Panelist and performer, The Greater Columbus Convention Center, Columbus, OH
- 2011 Nam June Paik and the Conversation of Video Sculpture, Attendee, University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH
- 2009 Blueprint: College's Educational Opportunities Fair, Panelist, Independence High School, Columbus, OH

Visiting Artist

- 2016 Lecture/Presenter/Technical Expert, Columbus College of Art & Design, Columbus, OH
- Workshop Video Mapping
 - Sponsored by the Fuse Factory
- 2015 Lecture/Presenter/Technical Expert, Columbus College of Art & Design, Columbus, OH
- Newly developed Art and Technology Honors Course
- 2014 Lecture/Presenter, the Ohio State University, Columbus, OH
- Beginning College Level Video Training Course
- Lecture/Presenter, Ohio Hispanic Coalition Animation Workshop, Columbus, OH
- Grades K-12
- 2013 Lecture/Presenter, Graduate Studies, Columbus College of Art & Design, Columbus, OH
- Graduate Digital Culture Course
 - Workshop on working with Arduino Microcontrollers
- 2008 Presenter, Andy Warhol Screen Printing Workshop, Wexner Center for the Arts, Columbus, OH

Curatorial Projects

- 2012 *Open Studio Event UC Graduate Exhibition*, The Scioto Studios, University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH
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