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## Susie J Lee

### EDUCATION

- 2006 MFA, University of Washington, Seattle, WA
- 1995 MA, Science Education, Columbia University, New York, NY
- 1994 BS, Molecular Biophysics and Biochemistry, Yale University, New Haven, CT

### ONE / TWO PERSON PROJECTS

- 2024 Portraits of Taiwan's Indigenous Tribes (current and on-going)
- 2022 Cofounder of Catapult, a video storytelling app
- 2020 A Hard Breath: Pandemic Video Portraits in the Pacific Northwest, commission PSU, Portland, OR
- 2017 Cofounder of Siren, a feminist dating app  
*Piano Concerto*, w/ Byron Au Yong, commissioned by the Mitchell Center, Houston, TX
- 2013 *Split Open*, North Dakota Museum of Art, Grand Forks, ND
- 2012 *Of Breath and Rain*, Frye Art Museum, Seattle Unplug, Try Again, Lawrimore Project, Seattle, WA
- 2010 *Vive Ancora*, Galleria Tiziana Di Caro, Salerno ITALY Still Lives, Washington Care Center, Seattle, WA  
*Still Lives*, Washington Care Center, Seattle, WA
- 2009 *Shadow Playing*, The Art Gym, Portland, OR
- 2008 *Bodies of Water*, Galleria Tiziana Di Caro, Salerno, Italy
- 2007 *Refrain*, Lawrimore Project, Seattle, WA
- 2006 *fermata...*, University of WA, Seattle, WA
- 2003 *Bound*, Ceramic and Metal Arts Gallery, Seattle, WA  
*Frost*, Phinney Center Gallery, Seattle, WA
- 2002 *Showers*, The Bemis Building, Seattle, WA  
*Pending*, Secluded Alley Works, Seattle, WA  
*Wait*, The Bemis Building, Seattle, WA
- 2000 *Animus*, Northwest Asian American Theatre, Seattle, WA

### SELECT GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2023 *A Different Kind of Self Portrait*, Marianna Kistler Beach Museum of Art, Manhattan, KS
- 2022 *THE THIRD, MEANING: ESTAR(SER) Installs the Frye Collection*, Frye Art Museum, Seattle, WA
- 2021 *Up Close & Personal*, Whatcom Museum, Bellingham, WA
- 2017 *Dislocation*, PDX CONTEMPORARY ART, Portland, OR
- 2014 *State of the Art*, Crystal Bridges Museum of Art, Bentonville, AR
- 2013 *Devotion*, Hedreen Gallery, Seattle, WA  
*Oracle*, Archer Gallery, Clark College, Vancouver, WA
- 2012 *10th Northwest Biennial*, curated by Rock Hushka, Tacoma Art Museum, Tacoma, WA  
*Neddy*, Cornish, Cornish College of Arts, Seattle, WA
- 2011 *From Door to Door*, Salerno, Italy  
*S.J. Lee and Erik Sanner*, Culver City, CA  
*Contemporary NW Arts Award*, curated by Bonnie Laing-Malcomson, Portland Art Museum, Portland, OR  
*Blink! Light, Sound & the Moving Image*, curated by Jill Desmond, Denver Art Museum, Denver, CO  
*ArteFiera*, Bologna, Italy  
*Lightness*, CityArts Fest, Seattle, WA
- 2010 *Desire*, curated by Annette DiMeo Carozzi, The Blanton Museum of Art, Austin, TX  
*Design Meets Art*, ARCADE, The Art Stable, Seattle, WA

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- Intellectual Property*, curated by Matthew Offenbacher / Yoko Ott, Hedreen Gallery, Seattle University, Seattle, WA  
*Out of Bounds: Art from the Collection of Driek and Michael Zirinsky*, Whatcom Museum, Bellingham, WA
- 2009 *I am/I am not Woman*, ArtsWest Gallery, Seattle, WA
- 2008 *Contested Ground: Landscape Redrawn*, curated by Ben Mitchell, NW Museum of Arts & Culture, Spokane, WA  
*The Terrible Twos: A Lawrimore Project Biennial*, Lawrimore Project, Seattle, WA
- 2007 *Channel One: Single Channel Video Exhibition*, curated by Kyungmin Lee, Gallery Hyundai, Seoul  
*MasterMinds*, curated by Paul Metivier, Kirkland Arts Center, Kirkland, WA  
*How the Soy Sauce was Bottled*, Wing Luke Asian Museum, Seattle, WA
- 2006 *Introducing Susie Lee*, Lawrimore Project, Seattle, WA  
*Wired Forest*, curated by Tracey Fugami, Kirkland Arts Center, Kirkland WA 2006 University of Washington MFA Thesis Exhibition, Henry Art Gallery, Seattle, WA  
Digital Video & Time Based Works, juried by Eric Frederickson, Jacob Lawrence Gallery, Seattle, WA
- 2005 *Touching Art*, Jacob Lawrence Gallery, Seattle Coupling III, Center on Contemporary Art, Seattle, WA
- 2004 *Xchange*, Western Washington University, Bellingham, WA  
Works in Progress, Jacob Lawrence Gallery, Seattle, WA
- 2003 *The Last Judgment Project*, curated by Stefano Catalani, Bumbershoot 2003, Seattle, WA  
*Klay*, Ceramics and Metal Arts Gallery, Seattle, WA
- 2002 *Preface*, Kirkland Arts Center, Kirkland, WA  
*From the Ground Up*, 7 Acres, Duvall, WA  
*Inchoate*, Prudential Center, Seattle, WA
- 2001 *I Scream, You Scream*, Vermont Clay Studio, Waterbury Center, VT  
*Pigs on Parade*, Pike Place Market, Seattle, WA  
*National Juried Cup Show*, Gallery 138, Kent, OH
- 2000 *Good and Guilty: Juried Show*, curated by Akio Takamori, Kirkland Arts Center, Kirkland, WA

## PERFORMANCES

- 2019 The More You Look, creative director of Thiniverse Productions, small human theater, Seattle, WA
- 2013 Fire! On the Boards, collaboration with Catherine Cabeen, Seattle, WA
- 2012 Venus and Adonis, Cornish School of the Arts, collaboration w/ Stephen Stubbs, Seattle, WA
- 2011 Swimming the List, Lead Artist, Theatre Off Jackson, Seattle, WA
- 2009 For These Unclosings, Lead Artist, New City Theater, Seattle, WA  
Ghost Light, collaboration with Byron Au Yong, The Moore Theatre, Seattle, WA
- 2008 Indeterminacy or the Observer's Paradox, Composer, Rendezvous Jewelbox Theatre, Seattle, WA

## AWARDS AND ORCHESTRATIONS

- 2021 Portland State University and Oregon Health Sciences commission
- 2017 Bonnie Bronson Fellowship
- 2016 Entrepreneur in Residence, New Museum, New York, NY
- 2015 App of the Year, Geekwire
- 2014 Women and Technology; Speed Dating 2.0; Women and Privacy, Design and Desire: Siren programming Techstars finalist
- 2013 Individual Artist Project Award, 4Culture, Seattle, WA
- 2012 Soft Power, Activated, orchestration with Kolya Rice, Jacob Lawrence Gallery, Seattle, WA  
Solutions: Artists / Technologists: orchestration with Jess Van Nostrand, Seattle, WA  
Neddy Award Finalist, Cornish College, Seattle, WA
- 2011 Pulse, Four Seasons Hotel, Baltimore, MD  
Individual Artist Project Award, 4Culture, Seattle, WA
- 2010 Contemporary Northwest Art Award, Portland Art Museum, Portland, OR

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- Visual Art Genius Award, The Stranger, Seattle CityArtist Project Award, Office of Arts & Cultural Affairs, Seattle Artist in Residence, Washington Care Center, Seattle Wet and Leatherhard, curated at Lawrimore Project, Seattle SEEDArts and 4Culture SITE-SPECIFIC Award, Seattle, WA Scholarship and residency, Jack Straw New Media Gallery, Jack Straw Productions, Seattle, WA Individual Artist Project Award, 4Culture, Seattle Artist Residency, Theatre Off Jackson, Seattle, WA
- 2009 Finn Hill JHS Commission, Kirkland WA Individual Artist Project Award, 4Culture, Seattle, WA Artist Residency, Centrum, Port Townsend, WA  
Murakami in the Park, ARTSparks orchestration, Seattle, WA
- 2008 Individual Artist Project Award, 4Culture, Seattle  
CityArtist Project Award, Office of Arts & Cultural Affairs, Seattle Shortlist, 2008 Genius Award in Visual Art, The Stranger, Seattle Public Artist Roster, Washington State Arts Commission, Olympia, WA
- 2007 GAP Grant, Artist Trust, Seattle Special Projects Award, 4Culture, Seattle, WA  
Footprints (permanent commission), Wing Luke Museum of the Asian American Experience 2006 Best Emerging Artist, Best of Seattle 2006, Seattle Weekly, Seattle, WA  
Nordstrom Recognition Award, University of Washington, Seattle, WA  
Juror's Award, Digital Video & Time Based Works, Jacob Lawrence Gallery, Seattle, WA
- 2005 Kottler/ Noritake Scholarship, University of Washington, Seattle, WA  
Jury Award, Touching Art, Jacob Lawrence Gallery, Seattle, WA
- 2004 University of Washington Recruitment Scholarship
- 2003 Juror's Award, Klay, Ceramics and Metal Arts Gallery, Seattle, WA
- 1995 Carnegie Mellon Fellowship, Teachers College, Columbia University, New York, NY

## COLLECTIONS

Boise Art Museum, Boise, ID  
Bonnie Bronson Collection, Portland, OR  
Colby College Museum of Art, Colby, ME  
Cornell Fine Arts Museum, Rollins College, Winter Park, FL  
Crystal Bridges Museum of Art, Bentonville, AK  
Denver Art Museum, Denver, CO  
Frye Art Museum, Seattle, WA  
North Dakota Museum of Art, Grand Forks, ND  
Portland Art Museum, Portland, OR  
Portland State University, Portland, OR  
Alfond Collection of Contemporary Art, Cornell Fine Arts Museum, Rollins College, Winter Park, FL  
Washington Care Center, Seattle, WA  
Wing Luke Asian Museum, Seattle, WA  
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- 2016 Atkins, Drew "Art and Tech The Unique Career of Susie Lee," Crosscut, March 20, 2016
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Shimp, Rachel. "Q&A with Susie Lee." CityArts, January 27, 2012
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