

Elena Willis

Lives and works in Montreal

www.elenawillis.com
info@elenawillis.com

Education

2000-2003 BFA, Major Photography
Concordia University, Montreal, Canada

Awards & Grants

2009 Canada Council for the Arts, Research and Creation Grant
2008 Prix du Conseil de la Culture, Laval, Quebec
2007 Conseil des arts et des lettres du Quebec, Type B Grant
2004 Du Maurier Arts Council Grant
2003 Du Maurier Arts Council Grant

Solo Exhibitions

April 2010 Galerie D' Este, Montreal, Quebec (solo)
January 2008 Eleanor London Côte Saint-Luc Public Library, Montreal, Canada
November 2007 Espace F, Matane, Quebec, Canada
October 2007 Darling Foundry, Montreal, Canada
June 2006 McClure Gallery, Montreal, Canada
April 2004 Espace 306, Montreal, Canada

Selected Group Exhibitions

January 2011 Alliance Française (AF) Group Tour, Chongqing, China
December 2010 AF, Nanjing, China
November 2010 AF, Hangzhou, China
September 2010 AF, Guangzhou, China
May 2010 L'Exposition Universelle Shanghai: Art contemporain Montréal, Shanghai, China
August 2009 Three Shadows Photography Art Centre, Beijing, China
February 2009 Nuit Blanche: Movement Art Public, Montreal, Canada
August 2008 Galerie Lilian Rodriguez, Montreal, Canada
June 2008 Galerie Lilian Rodriguez, Montreal, Canada
February 2008 Macdonald Stewart Art Centre, Guelph, Canada
January 2008 Eli Klein Fine Art, New York City, USA
September 2007 Galerie Lilian Rodriguez, Montreal, Canada
May 2007 Théâtre de la Photographie et de l'Image, Nice, France
May 2007 Gladstone Hotel, Contact Photography Festival, Toronto, Canada
May 2007 Toronto Image Works Gallery, Contact Photography Festival, Toronto, Canada
August 2005 Galerie Thérèse Dion, Montreal, Canada
April 2004 Leonard & Bina Ellen Gallery, Montreal, Canada
April 2004 Art Mur Gallery, Montreal, Canada
February 2004 VAV Gallery, Montreal, Canada
September 2003 Stewart Hall Art Gallery, Montreal, Canada

Upcoming Group Exhibitions

Touring Group Exhibition throughout China organized by the Alliance Française (AF):

March 2011 AF Jinan
April 2011 AF Xian
May 2011 AF Tianjin
July 2011 AF Shanghai
August 2011 AF Dalian
September 2011 AF Beijing

March 2011 Galerie D'Este, Montreal, Quebec

Upcoming Solo Exhibitions

May 2011 Cirque Du Soleil International Headquarters, Quebec, Canada
April 2012 Galerie D'Este, Montreal, Quebec, Canada

Art Fair

March 2011 Scope Art Fair, New York City, USA

Public Art Installations

February 2011 Art Souterrain, Montreal, Canada
September 2006 Project Plan Large, Darling Foundry, Montreal, Canada

Public Art Auctions

November 2010 esse benefit auction 'Vendu-Sold', Montreal, Canada
November 2010 Casey House Foundation 'Art with Heart' Auction, Toronto, Canada
May 2007 Village Galleries Auction, Toronto, Canada
January 2007 Houston Center for Photography, Houston, USA
November 2005 Casey House Foundation 'Art with Heart' Auction, Toronto, Canada
March 2003 Observatoire 4, Montreal, Canada

Artist Residency

'Centre de dynamiques artistiques,' Point Éphémère, Paris, France, 2008

Publications

'Spectacle + Artifice', Published by Macdonald Stewart Art Centre, Guelph, Ontario, 2008
'Enfants de Cartier, photographie canadienne contemporaine', Published by Théâtre de la Photographie et de L'image, Nice, France, 2007
'Carte Blanche', Published by Magenta Foundation, Toronto, Canada, 2006

Bibliography

St-Amoure, Danielle: 'Movement: From One Side of the Picture to the Other', Sidestreet Review, 06/15/10
Mavrikakis, Nicolas: 'Elena Willis - Image-enquête', Le Voir, 06/05/10
Dewolfe, Stacey: 'Illustrious illusions illustrated', Montreal Mirror, 06/05/10
Wolff, Rachel: 'Artist Elena Willis's Cloudy Classroom', New York Entertainment, 22/1/08

Redfern, Christine: 'Noise Makers 2008: Dark Dreamer', Montreal Mirror, 03/01/08
Redfern, Christine: 'Interpretation of dreams in a most concrete manner', The Gazette, 24/11/07
L'Heureux, Guy: 'Révolution et Onirisme à la Fonderie Darling', Le Délit, 06/11/07
Redfern, Christine: 'Night Visions', Montreal Mirror, 25/10/07
Madsen, Bjarke: 'Contact Photography Festival: Elena Willis', NOW, 3/05/07
Mavrikakis, Nicolas: 'Sanchez et Willis', Le Voir, 10/12/06
Redfern, Christine: 'Sweet Dreams', Montreal Mirror, 06/29/06
Recurt, Elizabeth: 'Elegance', ETC Magazine, 01/09/05
Musgrave, Sarah: 'Au Naturel', Montreal Mirror, 01/04/04
Mavrikakis, Nicolas: 'Survol de la Photo Actuelle', Le Voir, 11/09/03

Collections

Macdonald Stewart Art Centre Collection, Guelph, Canada
Musée national des beaux-arts du Québec, Québec, Canada
Alcan Inc., Montreal, Canada
Leonard & Bina Ellen Gallery, Montreal, Canada
Private collections in Canada, United States and Europe