# Becky Grajeda

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# **EDUCATION**

**2011** Master of Fine Arts, in Sound, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois

**2005** Bachelor of Arts, in Music, Kenyon College, Gambier, Ohio

#### **GRANTS and HONORS**

**2014** Recipient, Individual Arts Program Grant, the City of Chicago's Department of Cultural

Affairs & Special Events

**2012** Finalist with Charlie Schneider, Water Soundscape Composition Contest, European Acoustic

Heritage Project

## **RESIDENCIES**

2016 FIELD/WORK Residency, Chicago Artists Coalition
2015 Sponsored Artist, High Concept Laboratories, Chicago

**2014 CABIN Residency**, Lake Geneva, Wisconsin

#### **EXHIBITIONS and PERFORMANCES**

2022 Becky Grajeda and Beth McDonald, Esquina, Chicago

**2021 Quarantine Concert**, Experimental Sound Studio, Live-streamed performance

Vivid Dreams, Parkinson's Art – Centre of Creativity, London, England and online

**2016** Festival of Poets Theater; performance of Robert Ashley's opera "Dust", ensemble, Links

Hall, Chicago

Vieux Media/Nomi Epstein, Margarete Huber; including performance of a work by Becky

Grajeda, La Génerale, Paris, France

Messages in the Street, throughout Chicago and online

Century Safe, Roman Susan Gallery, Chicago

Things that should not be picked up in the first place: five, Jura\$\$ic Park, Chicago

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2015 Things that should not be picked up in the first place: two - four, High Concept

Laboratories, Chicago

Soundwaves, Cities and Memory, an online field recording and sound art project

Elsetime Duet, Not To Be Taken Performance Series, Sector 2337, Chicago

Becky Grajeda and Neal Markowski, Myopic Improvised/Experimental Music Series, Myopic

Books, Chicago

Becky Grajeda improvises a conversation with Kurt Peterson and Jessica Speer, Outer Ear

Series, Experimental Sound Studio, Chicago

The Relaxing Lady's Library, Tritriangle, Chicago

Some Moments, A+D Gallery, Columbia College, Chicago

Art's Birthday, Kunstradio, www.kunstradio.at

**2**<sup>na</sup> **Floor Rear**, Chicago

**2013** Frequency Fridays, The Fuse Factory, Columbus, Ohio

BodyCartography: Supernature, ensemble, DCA Storefront Theater, Chicago

Make 'Em Laugh, 323 Projects, Los Angeles, California

Intermission: Audio Portraits of Place - Mapping The Air Space Between A-B, Radio

broadcast presented by Osso, Portugal and Jennie Savage via stress.fm

Steve Germana, Becky Grajeda, Jessica Speer, and Peter Speer, Comfort Station, Chicago

Acousmatica IX, Free Space for Art, University of the Arts, Helsinki, Finland

Bad Rabbit, The Poetry Center at the Chicago Cultural Center, Chicago

Artwork 6, Sullivan Galleries, Chicago

2012 Art Basel Miami Beach Davis Satellite Show, 212 F Street, Davis, California

**24HOURS/25DAYS**, New Capital Projects, Chicago *Kinokophonography*, British Library, London, UK

October Surprise, 323 Projects, Los Angeles

Water Soundscape Exhibition, European Acoustic Heritage Project, Galleria Nottbeck,

Tampere, Finland

Premieres of Compositions by Michael Mroz, The Empty Bottle, Chicago

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**2011** *Kinokophonography 5*, Mad Lab, Manchester, England

Listen/Naslouchat, Gallerie 30, Prague, Czech Republic

Koncetrát VI: Made by ReadyMade, The Chemistry Gallery, Prague, Czech Republic Koncetrát VI: Made by ReadyMade, Galerie Crux, Brandýs nad Labem, Czech Republic MFA Thesis Exhibition, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Sullivan Galleries, Chicago Waveforms, Archer Ballroom, Chicago

**7308.23 Kilometers = 4541.123 Miles**, Co-curator and performer, Mess Hall, Chicago **7308.230**, co-organizer, Gallery at the Academy of Fine Arts, Prague, Czech Republic

**2010 Superevening**, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Maclean Ballroom, Chicago

*Urban*, Stramash Space, Online Exhibition Space

Location Location, Stramash Space, Online Exhibition Space

Waveforms, Enemy Gallery, Chicago

**2005 NRG Haus**, creator and organizer, Horn Gallery, Kenyon College, Gambier, Ohio

**2003-2014** Four Centuries of Pueblo Pottery, curatorial assistant, The Southwest Museum of the

American Indian at the Autry National Center, Los Angeles, California

# SELECTED THEATRICAL SOUND DESIGN, SOUND ENGINEER and FILM AUDIO WORK

**2015 Neighborhood Food Drive**, a film by Jerzy Rose; assistant sound operator

**Spectacle: A Portrait of Stuart Sherman**, a film by Robin Deacon; audio mastering; screenings: in association with Performa and the Whitney Museum of American Art at

Abron Arts Center, New York, NY; BBC Artscreen 2014, Glasgow Film Theatre, Glasgow, Scotland; Hitparaden 2 Performance Art Festival 2014, Copenhagen, Denmark

*Memorial Service to Follow*, sound designer and engineer, Chemically Imbalanced Theatre, Chicago, Illinois

*Living an Explorer's Desire*, sound designer, The Wells Fargo Theatre at the Autry Museum, Los Angeles, California

**2010** *Hamlettes*, sound designer, Gorilla Tango Theatre, Chicago

**The Trestle at Pope Lick Creek**, sound designer, The Hill Theatre, Kenyon College, Gambier,

Ohio

**Chances**, sound designer, The El Centro Theatre, Hollywood

**Sona Tera Roman Hess**, sound designer, The Lounge Theatre, Los Angeles **Betrayal**, sound designer and engineer, Teatro Cestello, Florence, Italy

*I Never Saw Another Butterfly*, sound designer and engineer, Florence International Theatre Company, Florence, Italy

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

2020 "The Artwork of Becky Grajeda," 50 Years of Women Artists at Kenyon College (ed.

Marcella Hackbardt). Kenyon College Press.

2018 "Notes on a Text by James Baldwin," fLoromancy, Issue 23 (cur. Andrew Forrest Baker.)

"Excerpt of score from DUET KCOTSDOOW: (For Bodies, Stackable Chairs, Tape Recorders, Cassette Tapes, Voices, and Instrument)," Shadowed! (ed. Caroline Picard). Green Lantern Press.

2016

"Excerpt of scores from Things that should not be picked up in the first place: four and DUET KCOTSDOOW: (For Bodies, Stackable Chairs, Tape Recorders, Cassette Tapes, Voices, and Instrument)," Women in Sound, Issue 2, Spring 2016, (ed. Madeleine Campbell).

# **PRESS**

Nichols, David C. Review of theatrical production *Sona Tera Roman Hess, Los Angeles Times*, September 5, 2008, including of Grajeda's sound design: "Becky Grajeda's sound design hits each point."

Reyes, Luis. Review of *Sona Tera Roman Hess, LA Weekly*, August 21, 2008, including of Grajeda's sound design: "Becky Grajeda's sound design lends a haunting rhythm to the words."

## **OTHER**

2020

Panelist, pt.fwd Artist-in-Residence Program, Bloomington-Normal, Illinois