

## CHRISTINE DAVIS

Born 1962, Vancouver

### EDUCATION

- 1980-1984 Bachelor of Fine Art  
York University, Toronto, Canada  
1984-1987 College International de Philosophie, Paris

### SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2019           *A different transparency for each thing touched*, The J Spot, Toronto  
2019           *The Language of Flowers*, Red Hook Open Studios, Free Assembly, Brooklyn  
2018           *Fotopsychodiagnostik*, Olga Korper Gallery, Toronto  
2013           *World Without Sun*, White Night, Melbourne, Australia  
2012           *World Without Sun*, Scotiabank Nuit Blanche, Projection Installation, Toronto ON  
2010           *As if his throat opened into the void of stars*, Olga Korper Gallery, Toronto ON  
2009           *Christine Davis*, Musée d'Art Contemporain, Montréal QC  
2008           *Lens*, Canadian Clay and Glass Gallery, Waterloo, ON  
2006           *Drink Me*, Olga Korper Gallery, Toronto, ON  
                *Gravity and Grace: Slide Projections of Christine Davis, 1991 - 2003*  
                Kitchener-Waterloo Art Gallery, Kitchener, ON  
2005           *Drink Me*, Presentation House Gallery, Vancouver, BC  
2004           Olga Korper Gallery, Toronto, ON  
                Canadian Museum of Contemporary Photography, Ottawa, ON  
2003           *Tlöön*, Musée des Beaux-Arts de Montréal, QC  
2000           *Christine Davis: Pluck*, The Power Plant, Toronto, ON  
                Olga Korper Gallery, Toronto, ON  
1999           Galeria Helga de Alvear, Madrid, Spain  
1998           Olga Korper Gallery, Toronto, ON  
1996           Galeria Helga de Alvear, Madrid, Spain  
                Galeria Palma Dotze, Vilafranca, Spain  
1995           Olga Korper Gallery, Toronto, ON  
                *Perspectives*, Art Gallery of Ontario, Toronto, ON  
                Winnipeg Art Gallery, Winnipeg, MB

1994	Mackenzie Art Gallery, Regina, SK Indianapolis Museum of Art, Indianapolis, USA
1993	Macdonald Stewart Art Centre, Guelph, ON  CREDAC, Centre d'Art Contemporain, Paris, France. Travelling to:  Indianapolis Museum of Art, Indianapolis; Mackenzie Art Gallery, Regina, SK; Winnipeg Art Gallery, Winnipeg, MB
1992	<i>Le dictionnaire des inquisiteurs</i> , Olga Korper Gallery, Toronto, ON
1991	<i>Logos</i> , SL Simpson Gallery, Toronto, ON
1989	<i>Unanimous Horizon</i> , SL Simpson Gallery, Toronto, ON  Galerie Dazibao, Montréal, QC
1988	<i>Passion</i> , Artspeak Gallery, Vancouver, BC  <i>Cleave</i> , Galerie Powerhouse, Montreal, QC
1987	<i>Cleave</i> , YYZ Artists, Outlet, Toronto, ON
1986	<i>Corpus Delectus</i> , Pages, Toronto, ON
1985	<i>Exquisite Positions</i> , A Space, Toronto, ON
1984	<i>still looking</i> , Studio, Toronto, ON

#### GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2020	Good Trouble, White Box Gallery, NYC
2019	<i>Umwelt</i> , Bio BAT Art Space, Brooklyn
2016	Miguel Abreu Gallery, NYC
2013	<i>Land/slides - Possible Futures</i> , Markham Museum, Markham
2011	<i>Lumen Festival</i> , Staten Island, NYC  <i>Carnal Knowledge: Sex and Philosophy</i> , Leslie Tokonow Gallery, NYC
2010	<i>Cue: Artists' Videos</i> , Vancouver Art Gallery
2008	<i>Imagining Science</i> , Art Gallery of Alberta, Edmonton, AB
2007	<i>Projections</i> , Hart House, University of Toronto, Toronto, ON  <i>La Biennale de Montréal</i> , Montréal, QC
2006	<i>Small Works</i> , Olga Korper Gallery, Toronto, ON
2004	<i>Paradise Now: Picturing the Genetic Revolution</i> , Centre for Art and Visual Culture, University of Maryland, Baltimore County, Baltimore, MD, USA, The Tang Teaching Museum and Art Gallery at Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs, NY USA
2003	<i>Mosaic Canada: Sign and Sound</i> , Seoul Museum of Art, Seoul,
2002	<i>New Photography</i> , Olga Korper Gallery, Toronto, ON  <i>2000-01 Paradise Now: Creating the Genetic Revolution: Exit Art</i> , New York; <i>Traveling</i> : Tang Teaching Museum, NY (2001); Carnegie Mellon University (2002); Tulane University (2003)
2000	<i>Odd Bodies</i> , Oakville Galleries, Oakville, ON; travelling to Nickle

	Arts Museum, Calgary, AB
1999	<i>New Visions/New Passions</i> , Fundacion Marcelino Botin, Santander <i>ART 30 Basel</i> , stand Helga de Alvear
1997	<i>Contours</i> , Olga Korper Gallery, Toronto, ON <i>ARCO Art Fair</i> , Madrid, Spain
1995	<i>Perspectives / Christine Davis + Jan Peacock</i> , Art Gallery of Ontario, Toronto, ON <i>Press/Enter: Between Seduction and Disbelief</i> , The Power Plant, Toronto, ON <i>Survivors</i> , Royal Ontario Museum, Toronto, ON
1994	<i>Fixing the Gaze</i> , Olga Korper Gallery, Toronto, ON <i>The Body ~ Le Corps</i> , Kunsthalle Bielefeld, Bielefeld, Germany; Travelling to: Haus am Waldsee, Berlin 19 Marzo Frankfurt, Galeria Juana Mordo, Madrid <i>A Discourse on the Emotions</i> , Galerie Volker Diehl, Berlin <i>Prospect '93</i> , Frankfurter Kunstverein, Frankfurt, Germany <i>Embodied Spaces</i> , Vox Populi, Le Mois de la Photo de Montréal, QC <i>Le Bestiaire</i> , Parachute Benefit Exhibition, Montréal, QC <i>Visual Evidence</i> , Dunlop Art Gallery, Regina, SK <i>Eros c'est la Vie</i> , Confort Moderne, Poitiers, France
1992	<i>Beau</i> , Canadian Museum of Contemporary Photography, Ottawa, ON
1991	<i>Embodying Faith</i> , The New Museum of Contemporary Art, New York, USA <i>Practicing Beauty</i> , Art Gallery of Hamilton, Hamilton, ON <i>The Embodied Viewer</i> , Glenbow Museum, Calgary, AB <i>Das Sibyllinische Auge (The Sibylline Eye)</i> , Kunsthalle Munich, <i>Collectif Generation</i> , Livres d'Artistes, Victoria and Albert Museum, London, England <i>La Bibliothèque Imaginée de Collectif Generation</i> , Musée de Gravelines, France <i>S.L. Simpson Gallery, 1980-1990</i> , Toronto, ON <i>Telling Things</i> , Art Metropole, Toronto, ON
1989	<i>Christine Davis/Michel Couturier</i> , Dazibao Gallery, Montréal, ON <i>Sarah Charlesworth, Christine Davis, Judith Schwarz</i> , S.L. Simpson Gallery, Toronto, ON
1988	<i>Walls on Fire</i> , YYZ Artists' Outlet, Toronto, ON <i>Invitational</i> , Cold City Gallery, Toronto, ON
1986	<i>Some Uncertain Signs</i> , Public Access, Toronto, ON

#### **SELECTED BIBLIOGRAPHY**

Baker, Lang, "What Angels Saw: On the Photography of Christine Davis", *Parachute* (No.64, 1991)  
 Balaguer, Marlene Gras. "Contra el límite: Apología del suicido estético", *AtlAntica* 14 (Fall 1996)

- Brew, Kathy; Guerra, Roberto. "Paradise Now: Picturing the Genetic Revolution", Mosquito Productions (2000)
- Buci-Glucksmann, Christine. "La forme du regard", Exhibition catalogue (Paris: CREDAC and Guelph: Macdonald Stewart Art Centre, 1993)
- Butuin, Marnie, "Woman's Passion", Volute (1:2, Nov/Dec 1991)
- Christie, Claire, "Fixing the Gaze", exhibition essay (Toronto: Olga Korper Gallery, 1994)
- Christie, Claire, "Contours", exhibition essay (Toronto: Olga Korper Gallery, 1997)
- Dault, Gary Michael, "Feathered dreams of wings and desire", The Globe and Mail (Dec. 30, 2000)
- Dompierre, Louise, "Pools of Reflection", Exhibition Catalogue, Press Enter: Between Seduction and Disbelief (Toronto: The Power Plant, 1995)
- Feinstein, Roni. "Report from Toronto", Art in America 7 (July 1994)
- Fones, Robert, "Cleave", Vanguard (17:1, Feb/Mar 1988)
- Gagnon, Monika, "Beaute Convulsive", Exhibition Catalogue (Vancouver: Artspeak Gallery, 1989)
- Gagnon, Monika, "Work in Progress", (Toronto: Women's Press, 1988), ill.
- Gagnon, Monika, "The Body of Knowledge", C Magazine (No. 8, Winter 1986)
- Genereux, Linda, "Photo Synthesis", Canadian House and Home (June/July 1990)
- Glassman, Marc, "Some Uncertain Signs", Parachute (No. 45, Winter 1986-87)
- Gogarty, Amy, "The Embodied Viewer", Parachute (No. 63, 1991)
- Godard, Peter, "Showing shades of impropriety", Visual Arts, The Toronto Star, November 23, 2006
- Godard, Peter, "Christine Davis", Visual Arts, The Toronto Star, May 15, 2004
- Gravel, Claire, "Cleave", Le Devoir (Montreal, September 17, p. c-11, 1988)
- Gurney, Janice, "Morality, the Body and Death", Art Views (14:4/15:1, March-May 1989)
- Hanna, Deirdre, "Chick flicks", NOW (December 21, 2000)
- Hitzeroth, Connie, "Cleave", NOW (Toronto, 7:5, October 8, 1987)
- Hoffman, Justin, "Interview with Christine Davis", Artis (April, 1991)
- Holubizky, Ihor, "Practicing Beauty", Exhibition Catalogue (Hamilton: Art Gallery of Hamilton, 1991)
- Lacey, Liam, "Speaking to the body", Globe & Mail (Toronto, May 16, 1991)
- Lamoureux, Johanna. "La bête à deux têtes", Parachute 73 (Winter 1994)
- Lanzinger, Pia, Isabelle Graw, "Das Sibyllinsche Auge" (The Sibylline Eye), Exhibition Catalogue (Munich: Foto e.V. Munche and Barbara Gross Galerie, 1991)
- Legge, Elizabeth, "Body Double", Canadian Art (Winter 1997)
- Lypchuk, Donna, "Narcissism through the looking glass", Metropolis (Toronto, Nov 23, 1989)
- Lypchuk, Donna, "Summer showings profile local artists", Metropolis (Toronto, Aug 10, 1989)
- Marchessault, Janine. "Morality, the Body and Death", Art Views 14:4/15:1 (March/May 1989)
- Marchessault, Janine. "Pluck", Artforum (October 2001)
- Marks, Laura U., "Press/Enter", Artforum (September 1995)
- Mays, John Bentley, "Look Up In the Sky", Globe and Mail (Toronto, Feb 14, 1986)
- Mueller, Megan. "City Focus: Toronto", ARTnews (May 1996), p. 65
- Mueller, W.A., Metropolitan Magazine (June 2019)
- Murria, Alicia. "Christine Davis", Lapiz 122 (1996)
- Navarro, Mariano. "Luzy y Fotografia en la Colección Helga de Alvear" (Fundación Caja de Ahor-

- ros de Vitoria y Alava, 1998)
- "The Sibylline Eye: North American Women Photographers", Flash Art (Jan/Feb 1991)
- "Paradise Now: Picturing the Genetic Revolution," Mosquito Productions, 2000 [Video]
- Patton, Andy, "Notebook Pages", C Magazine (No. 23, Fall 1989)
- Payne, Andrew, "Cleave", Parachute (No. 50 March-May 1988)
- Perrot, Mereille, "Cleave", ETC. (No. 6, Hiver 1988)
- Pontbriand, Chantal. "De la violence et du Language", Parachute, No. 71, 1993
- Ritchie, Christina. "Perspective 95 (Toronto: Art Gallery of Ontario, 1995)"
- Sawchuk, Kim, "A Tale of Inscription/ Fashion Statements", Canadian Journal of Social and Political Theory (11:1/2, 1987)
- Schmidt, HJ and Vogt, Inge. "Prospect '93: 7 Junge kunstler auf einen streich", Wiener, May 1993
- Shaw, Nancy, "The Delicate Double", Vanguard (18:2, April/May 1989)
- Steinlechner, Carin, "Das Sibyllinische Auge", Munchner Merker (Munich, Jan 11, 1991)
- Straw, Will, "Le dictionnaire des inquisiters", C Magazine, 37 (Spring 1993)
- Taylor, Kate. "When language is an instrument of control", Globe & Mail, Toronto, Oct. 2/92
- Tuer, Dot, "Exquisite Positions", Vanguard (14:8, October 1985)
- Viau, René, "Poésie, Intimité et Chaos: Christine Davis, Spring Hurlbut, Robert Polidori", Vie Des Arts (pp. 60 No. 215 ÉTÉ 2009) Montreal QC
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## PUBLICATIONS

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- "The End," ed. Christine Davis and Scott MacKenzie, PUBLIC 48, Fall 2013
- "As if his throat opened into the void of stars," Descant 153: Possible Worlds (Vol. 42, Summer 2011)
- "DRINK ME" Profiles, Descant 135: Bibliomania 2, Winter 2006, Volume 37, Number 4.
- "20thC. Lexicon", ed. Christine Davis with Ken Allen & Lang Baker, PUBLIC 19/20 (Spring 2000)
- "Morphos", reZoning: West Coast Line 31:34 (Spring 2000)
- "Work in progress", Neuvas visiones/Nuevas pasiones (Santander: Fundacion Marcelino Botin, 1999)
- "Utopias", ed. Christine Davis and Susan Lord, PUBLIC 12 (Fall 1995)
- "Love", ed. Christine Davis and Janine Marchessault, PUBLIC 10 (Fall 1994)
- "Sacred Technologies", ed. Christine Davis and Janine Marchessault, PUBLIC 7 (Winter 1993)
- "Insert", Talking Pictures, Tessera (No. 13, Winter 1992)
- "Hyphen Machine", C Magazine (No. 33, Spring 1992)
- "Hyperbole", Texts (No. 6, Fall 1991)
- "A Text", Writing (No. 23/24, Fall/Winter 1989)
- "Cleave", Impulse: New City Fiction (14:2/3, Summer 1988)
- "Immaculate Gap", Provincial Essays (Vol. 6, 1988)
- Artist's Project, Border/lines (No. 6, Winter 1986/87)
- "Speaking the Media - Tongue in Cheek", with Monika Gagnon, Border/lines (No. 3, 1985)

## **EXHIBITION CATALOGUES**

- Marchessault, Janine. *Land | Slide: Possible Futures*, (Public Books, 2015).
- Johnstone, Lesley, Avec La Collaboration D'Oliver Asselin, Christine Davis, (Musée d'Art Contemporain, Montréal, QC, 2009)
- Pakasaar Helga, Marchessault Janine, Schwabsky Barry, *Gravity and Grace*, (Kitchener-Waterloo Art Gallery, 2006-2007)
- Campbell, Paloma & Pakasaar Helga, *Christine Davis: Projections*, (Vancouver:Presentation House Gallery, 2006)
- Bernier, Christine. *Embodied Spaces* (Montréal: Vox Populi, 1993)
- Buci-Glucksmann, Christine. "La forme due Regard". Pontbriand, Chantal. "De la violence et du language ou les mises en scène de Christine Davis" in Christine Davis (Paris: CREDAC & Guelph: MacDonald Stewart Art Centre, 1993) french/english
- Christie, Claire. *Fixing the Gaze* (Toronto: Olga Korper Gallery, 1994)
- Dompierre, Louise. "Pools of Reflection", Press/enter: between seduction and disbelief (Toronto: The Power Plant, 1995)
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- Herzog, Michael. *The Body/ Le Corps* (Zurich: Editions Stemmle AG, 1989)
- Holubizky, Ihor. *Practicing Beauty* (Hamilton: Art Gallery of Hamilton, 1991)
- Jenkner, Ingrid. "Critical Fictions", Visual Evidence, (Regina: Dunlop Art Gallery, 1993)
- Langford, Martha. *Beau* (Ottawa: Canadian Museum of Contemporary Photography, 1992)
- Lemecha, Vera. *The Embodied Viewer* (Calgary: Glenbow Museum, 1991)
- Navarro, Mariano. *Luz y Fotografia en la Coleccion Helga de Alvear* (Fundacion Caja de Ahorros de Vitoria y Alava, 1998)
- Ritchie, Christina. *Perspective 95* (Toronto: Art Gallery of Ontario, 1995)
- Rodriguez, Arturo. *Neuvas visiones/Neuvas pasiones* (Santandar: Fundacion Maeclino Botin, 1999)
- Truco, Dominique. *Eros, c'est la vie* (Poitiers: Le Confort Moderne, 1993)
- Weiermair, Peter. *Prospect 93* (Frankfurt: Frankfurter Kunstverein & Schirn Kunsthalle, 1993)
- Yang, Alice. *Embodying Faith* (New York: New Museum of Contemporary Art, 1991).

## **ARTISTS' BOOKS**

- 2021 "The Elements," Christine Davis, Jarrett Earnest, Marc Mayer (forthcoming)
- 1990 Nicole Brossard & Christine Davis, *Typhon Dru*, (Paris: Collectif Generation, 1990)

## **COMMISSIONS**

- 2000 Women's Law Association of Ontario, Law Society of Upper Canada, Osgoode Hall, Toronto

**AFFILIATIONS**

- 2002- 2008      Board of Director, Power Plant, Toronto, ON  
1989-1993      Board of Directors, YYZ Artists' Outlet  
1986- Present    Public Access Collective, founding member, editor of PUBLIC

**RESIDENCIES**

- 2017- 2019      Free Assembly, Brooklyn NY  
2010 - 2011      Future Cinema Lab, York University, Toronto O  
2014 - present    Ciber Lab, Vancouver BC

**SELECTED COLLECTIONS**

- NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital, NYC  
Art Gallery of Hamilton, Hamilton,  
Art Gallery of Ontario, Toronto  
Bibliotheque Nationale de Paris  
Bruce Peel Special Collection, Edmonton,  
Canada Council Art Bank, Ottawa, ON  
Canadian Museum of Contemporary Photography, Ottawa, ON  
CIBC Development Corporation, Toronto, ON  
Collection Lambert, Aix-en-Provence, France  
Collection Helga de Alvear, Madrid  
Department of External Affairs, Ottawa, ON  
Household Financial Corporation, Toronto  
Macdonald Stewart Art Centre, Guelph,  
McCarthy Tetrault, Toronto, ON  
Molson Breweries, Toronto, ON  
Musée des Beaux-Arts, Montréal, QC  
Musée d'art contemporain de Montréal, Montréal,  
National Gallery of Canada, Ottawa, ON  
National Library of Canada, Ottawa,  
Oakville Galleries, Oakville, ON  
Sunlife, Toronto, ON  
Toronto-Dominion Bank, Toronto,  
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