

Sheila Ghidini

Sheila Ghidini was born in Connecticut. She attended Hartford Art School, University of Hartford and did graduate work at Cranbrook Academy of Art. She completed an M.F.A. in sculpture at the University of California, Berkeley, receiving the Sylvan and Pam Coleman Memorial Fellowship. She was an artist-in residence at The Headlands Center for the Arts and The American Academy in Rome. She has received grants from the Wallace Alexander Gerbode Foundation, the Krasner-Pollack Foundation, the San Francisco Arts Commission, the Marcelle Labaudt Memorial Fund, Rockefeller Foundation and the Connecticut Commission on the Arts. She has taught art since 1974 and most currently at University of California, Berkeley, California College of Arts, San Francisco State University and University of California Extensions.

EDUCATION:

- 1992 M.F.A Sculpture, University of California, Berkeley, CA
- 1979 Graduate Studies at Cranbrook Academy of Art, Bloomfield Hills, MI
- 1974 B.F.A. Hartford Art School of the University of Hartford, West Hartford, CT

ONE-PERSON EXHIBITIONS AND COLLABORATIONS:

- 2007 **Wings**, University of California Extensions Gallery, 3rd St., SF, CA
- 1999 **Volume: compressed – expanded**, A collaboration with Lezli Rubin-Kunda and Norcal, City-Site, San Francisco Arts Commission Gallery, CA
- 1996 **An Equation**, An Installation, Space 743, San Francisco, CA
- 1993 **A Theory of Flight**, An Installation, Sesnon Gallery, University of California, Santa Cruz, CA
- 1991 **A Theory of flight #1**, An Installation, Worth Ryder Gallery, University of California, Berkeley, CA
- 1990 **Earmarking: on the nature of communication**, An Installation with video, Kala Institute Gallery, Berkeley, CA
- 1989 **Here**, An Installation, Southern Exposure Gallery, San Francisco, CA
- 1989 **Plato's Cave**, A Collaborative Installation with Bob Davis and Regina Gilligan, The Lab, San Francisco, CA

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS:

- 2011 **A Theory of Flight**, An installation at SFMOMA Artist's Gallery, SF, CA
- Habitat: Exploration in Home and Shelter in Contemporary Art**, CA Bank of Commerce, Lafayette, CA
- The Language of Flowers**, Art on First, A window installation for the City of Napa, CA
- Six Artists**, Thoreau Center for Sustainability, Presidio, SF, CA
- 2010 **A thousand ways to kiss the ground**, 2-person exhibit, Chandra Cerrito Gallery, Oakland, CA
- 2009 **Artisterium, Modus Operandi, A quest for a different way**, International Exhibit of Contemporary Art, Tbilisi, Georgia
- 2008 **Paperworks**, SFMOMA Artist's Gallery, SF, CA
- 2008 **Nature Study**, Chandra Cerrito Gallery, Oakland, CA

- 2007 **Close Calls**, The Headlands Art Center, *Sausalito, CA*
- 2006 **Large movements-small actions**, Long-distance collaboration with Lezli Rubin-Kunda, an artist living in Israel; An artist book about the collaboration was included in Mobilivre/Bookmobile 2005 (www.mobilivre.org) a traveling exhibition of artist's books organized by the Canada Arts Council that traveled extensively in US and Canada.
Marking Time, 2-Person exhibition, Monterey Peninsula College Gallery, CA
- 2005 **Black and White and Read**, Drawing Exhibitions, Cabrillo College, CA
- 2004 **Marking Motion**, Installation, The Lab, San Francisco, CA
- 2003 **What we saw when we got there**, Mixed-media, The Lab, SF, CA
- 2002 **Solos: Contemporary Monoprints**, Kala Institute Gallery, Berkeley, CA
- 2001 **Marked: Bay Area Drawing**, The Bertha and Karl Leubsdorf Gallery, Hunter College, New York City
Curated by Heidi Zuckerman Jacobson
The Sonoma Valley Museum of Art, Sonoma, CA
- 2001 **Prima Cogna**, Three-person exhibition, The Works Gallery, San Jose, CA
- 1999 **Hover**, A site-specific installation originating in the tower of the San Francisco Art Institute, San Francisco, CA
- 1998 **Under Line**, SOMAR Gallery, San Francisco, CA
A group drawing exhibition
- 1997 **A Matter of Form**, Bolinas Museum, Bolinas, CA
A group sculpture exhibition
- 1996 **Mostra '96**, 12 Italian-American Artists, Museo ItaloAmericano, SF, CA
- 1996 **Next Time**, A Site-Specific Installation, Headlands Center for the Arts Sausalito, CA
- 1995 **Kwangju Biennale**, Kwangju, Korea
- 1994 **New Waves in Public Architecture**, American Institute of Architects, San Francisco, CA
- 1994 **Mindful Geography: Marking Places**, The Arts Commission Gallery, SF, CA
- 1993 **Etonne Moii**, Terrain Gallery, San Francisco, CA
- 1993 **Body Politic**, the Arts Commission Gallery, SF, CA
- 1992 **Inductive Strategies**, A Three-person Exhibition of Installations, New Langton Arts, SF, CA
- 1992 **M.F.A. Exhibition**, University Art Museum, Berkeley, CA
- 1991 **Masks**, the Jewish Museum, San Francisco, CA
- 1990 **Within Earshot**, An Installation in the Musee d'honneur Miniscule, New Langton Arts, San Francisco, CA
- 1988 **Clothing As Allegory**, the Arts Commission Gallery, San Francisco, CA
Curated by Anne Healey

1985 **The Creative Spirit**, Maier Museum of Art, Randolph Macon's Women's College, Lynchburg, Virginia

PUBLIC ART COMMISSIONS:

- 2008 **Passages**, Mission Viejo Park, Aurora, Colorado
2006 **Ohlone Memorialization Project** Bay St. Emeryville, CA
2004 **Youth Arts Posters for 3rd St. Light Rail** San Francisco Arts Commission and MUNI
2003 **Apricot Walk**, City of Campbell, CA Campbell Community Center
2001 **Maze Project**, City of Lodi, CA
2001 **Three Spaces of Respite**, City of Emeryville Emeryville Civic Center, Emeryville, CA
1999 **Path of 10,000 Leaves** San Jose Office of Cultural Affairs, San Jose, CA Cataldi Park, San Jose, CA
1997 **SOMA Community Garden Project** San Francisco, CA
1994 **MUNI M-Line Platform Design** San Francisco Art Commission/MUNI, CA. A collaborative design of two transit shelters on 19th & Holloway and 19th & Winston. SF, CA

OTHER PUBLIC AND PRIVATE COLLECTION:

- Runnymede Sculpture Garden, Woodside, CA
Laguna Honda Hospital, San Francisco, CA
Schumacher Collection, Woodside, CA
Walnut Creek Public Library, Walnut Creek, CA

AWARDS & HONORS:

- 1998 Wallace Alexander Gerbode Foundation Grant, CCA
1999 Krasner-Pollack Grant
1994 Cultural Equity Grant, San Francisco Arts Commission
1993 Veronica di Rosa Fellowship, Artist Residency, Headlands Center for the Arts
1991 Marcelle Labaudt Memorial Fellowship, the San Francisco Women Artist Organization
1992 Sylvan C. Coleman and Pam Coleman Memorial Fellowship, University of California, Berkeley, CA
1988 Rockefeller Foundation, administered by New Langton Arts Interdisciplinary Grant, New Langton Arts, SF, CA
1977 Artist's Fellowship, Connecticut Commission on the Arts

RESIDENCES:

- Headlands Center for the Arts, Sausalito, CA
American Academy in Rome, Italy

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Buuck, David, *What We Saw When We Got There at The Lab*, Artweek, March 2003

Chandra Cerrito Contemporary

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- Healy, Anne, *Clothing as Allegory*, Catalogue essay, Arts Commission Gallery, San Francisco, CA 1989
- Ho, Cathy Lang. *Barrack-room Bohemia*, headlands Center for the Arts in Metropolis Magazine, January 1994
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- Jan, Alfred. *Plato's Cave*, High Performance Magazine, summer 1989
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