

LESLIE AWENDER

EDUCATION

M.F.A., Studio Art, Mills College, Oakland, CA
Professional Certificate in Photography, Maine Media Workshops, Rockport, ME
Diploma Program, School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA
B.A., Political Science, Colgate University, Hamilton, NY

EXHIBITIONS AND AWARDS (*DENOTES SOLO SHOWS)

- 2015 ELECTRON SALON SERIES INTERNATIONAL GROUP EXHIBIT, LA Center for Digital Art, Los Angeles, CA
LACDA 11TH ANNIVERSARY REPRESENTED ARTISTS EXHIBIT, LA Center for Digital Art, Los Angeles, CA
- 2014 SNAP TO GRID, LA Center for Digital Art, Los Angeles, CA
- 2013 LOS ANGELES ART ASSOCIATION OPEN SHOW, Los Angeles, CA
- 2012 TARFEST 10TH ANNIVERSARY ART EXHIBITION, Variety Building, Los Angeles, CA
IN THE ELECTRON SALON, LA Center for Digital Art, Los Angeles, CA
- 2011 HANGING GARDENS, 1019 W. Manchester, Inglewood, CA
PHOTO LA XX, Santa Monica Civic Auditorium, Santa Monica, CA
*10/11, Edgemar Center for the Arts, Santa Monica, CA
2011 JURIED OPEN, Topanga Canyon Gallery [Craig Krull, Juror]
- 2010 CONTEMPORARY ART RUHR, Zollverein World Heritage Site, Essen, Germany
TARFEST ART EXHIBITION [Edward Robinson, Juror], Korean Cultural Center, Los Angeles, CA
IMAGE/PROJECT [Taryn Simon, Juror], Arlington Arts Center, Arlington, VA
THE ART STIMULUS SHOW, Gallery 9, Los Angeles, CA
GET ART 3, Siren Studios, Los Angeles, CA
VENICE SILENT ART AUCTION, Venice, CA
- 2009 2009 INTERNATIONAL PHOTOGRAPHY AWARDS [Official Selection]
SNAP TO GRID, LA Center for Digital Art, Los Angeles, CA
GEM, Gallery 825, Los Angeles, CA
PHOTO LA 2009, Barker Hangar, Santa Monica, CA
- 2008 AURORA, Gallery 825, Los Angeles, CA
TRUTH OR DARE [Craig Krull, Juror], Gallery 825, Los Angeles, CA
ONE-NIGHT EXHIBITION, Foreclosure Gallery, Newport Beach, CA
2008 ARTSEEN EMERGING ARTIST COMPETITION, Los Angeles, CA
- 2007 ECHO ART PROJECT, The Echo, Los Angeles, CA
ARTIST FELLOWSHIP, Virginia Center for the Creative Arts, Amherst, VA
*PHOTOGRAPHS BY LESLIE AWENDER, SABI, Santa Monica, CA
2007 JURIED OPEN, Topanga Canyon Gallery, Topanga, CA
- 2006 *SELECTED WORKS, Pianta Gallery, Eureka, CA
NORTH COAST OPEN STUDIO PREVIEW SHOW, Arcata, CA
BLUE, The Ink People Center for the Arts, Eureka, CA
- 2005 PHOTOGRAPHS AND OTHER STORIES, Cedar City Art Gallery, Cedar City, UT
HUMBOLDT ARTS COUNCIL ANNUAL JURIED SHOW, Morris Graves Museum, Eureka, CA
- 2004 WESTHAVEN CENTER FOR THE ARTS ANNUAL EXHIBITION (Juried), Westhaven, CA

- TRINIDAD FINE ARTS COMPETITION, Trinidad, CA
 CREAM: FROM THE TOP, Arts Benicia, Benicia, CA
 MFA EXHIBITION, Mills College, Oakland, CA
- 2003 ELKIND FELLOWSHIP, Mills College, Oakland, CA
 *SURPRISE, Squeeze, San Francisco, CA
- 2001 LATENT DISCOVERIES, Joseph Gross Gallery, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ
 MFA SUMMER SHOW, Harry Wood Gallery, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ
 THE 505 SALON, John Summers Gallery, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM
- 2000 NEW IMAGES, Nicholls State University, Thibodeaux, LA
 NEW GRADUATE WORK, Harry Wood Gallery, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ
- 1999 PHOTO 99 NATIONAL JURIED EXHIBITION (Juror's Award), Gallery 100, Cape Girardeau, MO

BIBLIOGRAPHY

- O'Sullivan, Michael, "Arlington Arts Center's 'Image/Project' focuses on contemporary photos and video,"
 Washington Post, January 8, 2010
- "Awender at Piante Gallery", Eureka Reporter, May 3, 2006
- Bammer, Richard, "Summa cum Laude: 'Cream', Best of Bay Area Art School Grads",
 Reporter, November 19, 2004
- Garcia, Andrea, "Eighteen artists selected for 'Cream' exhibit", The Daily Republic, Nov. 12, 2004
- "Arts Benicia: Cream – From the Top", San Francisco Chronicle, November 5, 2004
- Freedman, Richard, "Top art students show their talent in Benicia event", Times-Herald, Nov., 2004
- Helfand, Glen, "Introduction to the Master of Fine Arts Exhibition at Mills College", May 2004

PUBLICATIONS

- Los Angeles Art Association Catalog, Volume I: A Survey of Emerging Southern California Artists
 December, 2009. Juror: Samuel Hoi, President of Otis College Art and Design
- The Photo Review, Volume 28, Number 1, January 2007
- The Stone, Issue No. 1, April 2006

ARTIST LECTURES

- 2007 Artist talk, Sweetbriar College, Sweet Briar, VA

MUSEUM AND PRIVATE COLLECTIONS

Museum of Modern Art / Franklin Furnace Artist Book Collection

Steve Valentine

Robert Dorsey

Brice and Barbara Harris

Jill and Vijay Shankar

Mrs. Jude Cole

Joe and Pat Wagner

Tony Stephens

Nancy Harris