#### **KELSIE BALEHOWSKY**

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# **EDUCATION**

BFA, University of British Columbia Okanagan, Kelowna, BCBC Okanagan Medal in Fine Arts (Highest standing in graduating class)

### **SELECTED EXHIBITIONS**

| 2022 | Sensorineural Solo Exhibition, Kelowna Art Gallery, Kelowna, BC                                |
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| 2018 | Here > There Selected Group Exhibition, Lake Country Art Gallery, BC                           |
| 2017 | Collective Isolation Selected Two Person Exhibition, Arnica Artist Run Centre, Kamloops, BC    |
| 2016 | conscious   unconsciousness Solo Exhibition, Vernon Public Art Gallery, Vernon, BC (catalogue) |
|      | Here & Now Selected Group Exhibition, FINA Gallery, UBC Okanagan, Kelowna, BC                  |
|      | As Composed by Poets and Liars Alternator Centre for Contemporary Art, Kelowna,                |
|      | BC (Collaborative Exhibition with Lucas Glenn Co.)   |

2014 Recent Portraiture from UBC Okanagan Selected Group Exhibition, The Lake Country Art Gallery, Lake Country, BC

Lessedra World Art Print Annual Juried Exhibition, Lessedra Gallery, Sofia, Bulgaria (catalogue)

Ellipsis BFA Graduation Exhibition, Vernon Public Art Gallery & UBC Okanagan, BC (catalogue)

Young Selected Group Exhibition, 702 Bernard Ave, Kelowna, BC

Camera Roll Alternator Centre for Contemporary Art, Kelowna, BC

**Four Way** Four-Person Exhibition, Headbones Gallery, Vernon, BC (with Lucas Glenn, Malcolm McCormick, and Sarah Ann Franklin) (catalogue)

Love Money Fur Selected group exhibition, FINA Gallery, UBC Okanagan, Kelowna, BC

Art on the Line Juried Exhibition and Fundraiser, UBC Okanagan, Kelowna, BC (catalogue)

2013 UBC Okanagan Visual Arts Exhibition Showcase Juried Exhibition, #135-1295 Cannery Lane,
Kelowna, BC

Advanced Art Practices Selected Group Exhibition, FINA Gallery, UBC Okanagan, Kelowna, BC

**Youngblood Landscape** Four-Person Exhibition, Alternator Centre for Contemporary Art, Kelowna, BC (with Malcolm McCormick, Lucas Glenn, and Kait Serafin)

*The Faculty of Creative and Critical Studies Woodhaven Eco Culture Centre* Selected group exhibition, 969 Raymer Road, Kelowna, BC

Mad Hatter: Into the Subconscious Juried Exhibition, 1634 Harvey, Kelowna, BC (catalogue)

Capture Alternator Centre for Contemporary Art Gallery, Kelowna, BC

**The Exhibition from the In-Between World** Selected Group Exhibition, 702 Bernard Ave, Kelowna, BC

Art On The Line Juried Exhibition and Fundraiser, UBC Okanagan, Kelowna, BC (catalogue)

2012 Lessedra World Art Print Annual Juried Exhibition, Lessedra Gallery, Sofia, Bulgaria (catalogue)

Incognito: Okanagan Print Triennial Kelowna Art Gallery, Kelowna, BC

Third Annual Art Party UBC Okanagan, Kelowna, BC

**Mad Hatter: In the Land of Odd** Juried Exhibition, 368 Industrial Avenue, Kelowna, BC (catalogue)

The Show The Habitat, 249 Leon Ave, Kelowna, BC

**2011** Second Annual Art Party UBC Okanagan, Kelowna, BC

You Had to be There FINA Gallery, UBC Okanagan, Kelowna, BC

The Alternator Centre's Eight Annual Wearable Art Gala The Mary Irwin Theatre, Kelowna, BC

#### **CURATORIAL WORK**

**2022 Behind the Mask** A community art project with Artist Katie Green, Vernon Public Art Gallery, Vernon, BC

What does hearing loss look like for you? In partnership with the Canadian Hard of Hearing Association BC Chapter, Vernon Public Art Gallery, Vernon, BC

**The Intersection of Art and Music** Vernon Public Art Gallery, Vernon, BC

Anti-Racist Project with Ecole Beairsto Vernon Public Art Gallery, Vernon, BC

- **2019** *Through our Eyes* Vernon Public Art Gallery, Vernon, BC
- 2018 Overcoming the Darkness Vernon Public Art Gallery, Vernon, BC
- **2017** You Are Here Vernon Public Art Gallery, Vernon, BC

- **2015** Extracurricular Vernon Public Art Gallery, Vernon, BC (catalogue)
- **2014** Love Money Fur FINA Gallery, UBC Okanagan, Kelowna, BC
- 2013 Youngblood Landscape Alternator Centre for Contemporary Art, Kelowna, BC

**The Exhibition from the In-Between World** Organized and curated exhibition for UBCO fine arts students, 702 Bernard Ave, Kelowna, BC

Momento SD23 Student show, Lake Country Art Gallery, Lake Country, BC

# **SELECTED HONORS, GRANTS, AND AWARDS**

**2016** Winner of the Okanagan Arts Awards in the Emerging Artist Category

Nominee, Okanagan Arts Awards (Arts Council of the Okanagan, Categories of Visual Artist and Emerging Artist

- Best of Kelowna nominee in Visual Arts, www.kelownanow.com
- **2015** Winner of the Okanagan Arts Award in Youth Category
- 2014 University of BC Medal in Fine Arts for being at the top of my graduating class

UBCO's Deputy Vice Chancellor Purchase Award

BMO 1st Art! Invitational Student Art Competition Nominee, UBC Okanagan

Rene Goldman and Terry Dekur-Goldman Bursary

- 2014 2010 Dean's Honour List, Faculty of Critical & Creative Studies, UBC Okanagan, Kelowna, BC
- **2013** Won Bronze for the photograph 'Like Pigs to the Slaughter' at the International Loupe Awards

UBCO Tuum Est Student Initiative Fund Recipient

Okanagan Visual Arts Scholarship

Nominee and placed in top ten as Best Artist in Kelowna, www.kelownanow.com

Received grant from UBCO's Visual Arts Course Union to curate an off campus exhibition

'Jurors Choice' at The Exhibition from the In-Between World

**2011** Frances Harris Prize in Visual Arts

#### SELECTED PROFESSIONAL & VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Present – 2022 Board of Director, Lake Country Art Gallery, Lake Country, BC

2022 - 2015 Learning and Community Engagement Curator, Vernon Public Art Gallery, BC

- 2020 2017 Executive Member: Secretary for Canadian Art Gallery Educators, Canada
- **2017** Artist Talk at Thompson Rivers University, Kamloops, BC
- Youth Arts Mentor for Keeping it Real: Youth Art Festival, Lake Country Art Gallery, BC

  Member at Large of the Canadian Art Gallery Educators, http://cageart.ca/
- **2016 2014** Editor at the Okanagan Art Review, www.okanaganartreview.com
- 2015 2013 Gallery Assistant & Art Instructor, Kelowna Art Gallery, BC
- 2015 Public Programming Assistant, Kelowna Art Gallery, BC
- 2015 2013 Public Programming (contract), Kelowna Art Gallery, BC
- 2015 Lunchbox Speakers Series: Artist Talk with Kelsie Balehowsky, Kelowna Art Gallery, BC
- Quick Talks: Exploring Themes and Selected Works from Unreal Planned and was a panelist on a panel discussion in conjunction with Vancouver Art Gallery's circulating exhibition Unreal, The Kelowna Art Gallery, BC
  Art on the Line Juror, UBC Okanagan, BC
- 2013 2012 Educational Programmer & Gallery Assistant at the Lake Country Art Gallery, BC
- 2013 UBCO Tuum Est Student Initiative Fund Recipient, Project Description: Art and Controversy.

  Received funding to help bring in Canadian Artist Jonathan Hobin to present a public lecture, and take part in a panel discussion on Art and Controversy. Which was then covered by media sources such as CBC, Kelowna Daily Courier, Welcome to Kelowna, The Phoenix Newspaper, and UBCO news.

Guest Speaker/Presentation for Photography Class, HCS, Kelowna, BC

Art Adventures Supervisor, Kelowna Art Gallery, BC

Art Education in the Public Realm – lead a round table discussion at the Lake Country Art Gallery, Lake Country, BC

2013 - 2012 Vice President of the Visual Arts Course Union, UBC Okanagan, BC

Art Instalment Committee Member, Lake Country Art Gallery, BC

Lake Country Youth Art Workshop Coordinator and Facilitator at the Lake Country Art Gallery,
Lake Country, BC

Gallery Assistant at the Lake Country Art Gallery, BC

### **SELECTED ARTICLES, REVIEWS, & MEDIA**

**2022** *Q&A with artist Kelsie Balehowsky: the making of "Sensorineural"* 

https://www.starkeycanada.ca/blog/articles/2022/07/kelsie-balehowsky-sensorineural-art-exhibit

Artist Looks at Hearing Loss

https://www.kelownadailycourier.ca/entertainment/article\_3e520e96-e204-11ec-a46d-e3938f1e9d6d.html

This sculpture is bringing light to hearing loss

https://kelowna10.com/this-sculpture-is-bringing-light-to-hearing-loss

Sensorineural sculptural installation opens at Kelowna Art Gallery

https://www.castanet.net/news/Kelowna/370645/Sensorineural-sculptural-installation-opens-at-Kelowna-Art-Gallery

Vernon Public Art Gallery set to display local art as part of 'What does hearing loss look like for you?' exhibition

https://www.castanet.net/news/Vernon/359206/Vernon-Public-Art-Gallery-set-to-display-local-art-as-part-of-What-does-hearing-loss-look-like-for-you-exhibition

- **2021** Allyship in Action Social Planning Council Vernon https://vimeo.com/647844506
- 2017 Cool Arts Society and artist Kelsie Balehowsky, FCCS UBC Okanagan, https://fccs.ok.ubc.ca/2017/09/18/cool-arts-society-and-artist-kelsie-balehowsky/
- **2016** ARTSCO Okanagan Arts Awards 2016, ShawTV Okanagan, https://youtu.be/jRY6KW\_njCc

9th Annual Okanagan Arts Awards Recipients Announced, Alliance for Arts and Culture, http://www.allianceforarts.com/blog/2016/5/31/9th-annual-okanagan-arts-awards-recipientsannounced

**2014** *Creative minds converge at Headbones* Vernon Morning Star http://www.vernonmorningstar.com/entertainment/247943851.html

Welcome to Kelowna nomination for 'Best Artist' http://bestof.welcometokelowna.com/

Artist Profile: Kelsie Balehowsky holds a mirror up to society, and society uses that mirror to take a selfie The Phoenix Newspaper

http://www.thephoenixnews.com/2014/04/artist-profile-kelsie-balehosky-holds-a-mirror-up-tosociety-and-society-uses-that-mirror-to-take-a-selfie/

2013 Art and Controversy The Phoenix Newspaper http://issuu.com/ubcophoenix/docs/issue\_7\_4fa1db2d92f468/9?e=5101896/5658373

The Alternator Gallery and UBCO unite for Intermission http://www.thephoenixnews.com/2013/11/the-alternator-gallery-and-ubco-unite-forintermission-2/

*UBC* assists student projects connecting campus to the community https://news.ok.ubc.ca/2013/10/25/ubc-assists-student-projects-connecting-campus-to-thecommunity/

Welcome to Kelowna nomination 'Best Artist' http://bestof.welcometokelowna.com/

# **COLLECTIONS**

University of British Columbia Okanagan

Private Collections in Canada and Australia