

# Leanne Olson

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## Education

2021 (projected), MFA Candidate, University of Victoria, Photography  
2003, Bachelor of Arts, University of Alberta, Film and Media Studies

## Professional Experience

2014- 2019, Artist & Educator (self-employed), Edmonton, AB  
2012- 2014, Communications Coordinator, E4C, Edmonton, AB  
2010-2012, Director of Student Life, Students' Association, MacEwan University, Edmonton, AB  
2005-2010, Manager, Students' Association, MacEwan Centre for the Arts & Communications, Edmonton, AB  
2003- 2005, Intern, Art & Design in Public Places Program, Edmonton, AB

## Teaching & Facilitation

January- April, 2020- *Teaching Assistantship*, Art 255, University of Victoria, BC  
September- December, 2019- *Teaching Assistantship*, Art 306/395, University of Victoria, BC  
March- September, 2019- *Exhibition Programming Curation*, Mitchell Art Gallery, Edmonton, AB  
August, 2016- November, 2017- *Lead Print Artist*, Nina Haggerty Centre for Arts, Edmonton, AB  
October, 2016- August, 2017- *Weekly Art Program Facilitator*, Recovery Acres, Edmonton, AB  
April, 2017- *Youth Printmaking Workshop*, Edmonton Mennonite Centre, AB  
May, 2016- *Photo Derive and 120mm Film*, Leduc High School, AB  
October, 2016- January 2017- *Printmaking Program Development & Facilitator*, Bissell Centre, Edmonton, AB  
May, 2015- *Photo Derive and 120mm Film*, Leduc High School, AB  
November 2015- *Printmaking Program Development & Facilitator*, Bissell Centre, Edmonton, AB  
2013-2015- *Art Program Strategy & Development*, Women's Emergency Accommodation Centre (WEAC), Edmonton, AB  
May, 2014- *Photo Derive and 120mm Film*, Leduc High School, AB  
March 2014- *Photo voice*, E4C Wellness, Edmonton, Alberta

## Artist Residencies

May-June, 2019, Museum for Future Fossils Summer School, New York University, NYC & University of Western, ONT  
February, 2018- February 2019, Edmonton Arts Council AiR, Edmonton Waste Management Centre, AB  
June, 2017, *Roaming Artist in Residence*, The Works Art & Design Festival, Edmonton, AB  
November, 2017, ArtScape at Gibraltar Point, Toronto, ONT  
Spring, 2017, Banff Centre for Arts and Creativity, AB

## Artist Talks

January, 2020- *Beyond the Duality of Hope & Fear*, ART 352, Socially Engaged Practices, University of Victoria, Victoria, BC  
November, 2019- *Immersive Site Visit*, ART 107, MacEwan University & Edmonton Waste Management Centre, Edmonton, AB  
November, 2019- *With All Things Considered*, MacEwan University, Edmonton, AB  
October, 2019- *Artist Residencies & the Unexpected*, Creative Cities Conference, Saskatoon, SK  
September, 2019- *With All Things Considered* walk through, ART 206, MacEwan University, Edmonton, AB  
April, 2019- *A Gradual Decline*, Alberta Climate Leadership Program, Next Up, Calgary, AB  
March, 2019- *What if we had Empathy for Decay?*, Sage Seniors Association, Edmonton, AB  
September, 2018- *A Gradual Decline*, Recycling Council of Alberta annual conference, Banff Centre for the Arts  
June, 2018- *A Gradual Decline*, Environment Week, City of Edmonton, AB  
May, 2018- *Art in the Anthropocene*, Around the World conference, University of Alberta, Edmonton  
May, 2018- *Lessons from the Pile*, Canadian Vintage Motorcycle Group, Edmonton, AB  
May, 2018- *Lessons from the Pile*, Solid Waste Association of North America, Edmonton, AB  
April, 2018- *Pyramid Schemes*, Marshall McLuhan House, Edmonton, AB

## Selected Exhibitions

2020, (upcoming), XL Gallery, Newcastle University, Newcastle, UK  
2020, *Forever & For Never*, Deluge Contemporary, Victoria, BC  
2020, *Waiting Room*, Kitchenette Contemporary, Victoria, BC  
2019, *Side Salad*, Audain Gallery, Victoria, BC  
2019, *With All Things Considered* (solo), Mitchell Art Gallery, Edmonton, AB  
2019, *Museum for Future Fossils*, Western University, London, ONT  
2017, *Last Resort* (solo), SNAP, Edmonton, AB  
2017, *Mountain Dew*, Banff Centre Project Space, Banff, AB  
2017, *YEG Canvas*, Transitory Public Art Project, Edmonton, AB  
2017, *Inside Out* (curator), SNAP Street Window Gallery, Edmonton, AB  
2016, *Night Moves* (curator), The Works Gallery at Jackson Power, Edmonton, AB  
2015, *Print Affair*, SNAP, Edmonton AB  
2016, *Art on the Block*, Art Gallery of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta  
2015, *Still in Edmonton*, Elm Cafe, Edmonton, Alberta  
2014, *Into the Light*, Shadow Play Refinery Party, Art Gallery of Alberta, Edmonton, AB  
2014, *Print Affair*, SNAP, Edmonton AB  
2014, *Shell*, The Drawing Room, Edmonton, AB  
2014, *Patio Party*, Latitude 53, Edmonton, AB  
2013, *Resophonic City*, Latitude 53, Edmonton, AB  
2013, *Video Kitchen*, Metro Cinema, Edmonton, AB  
2012, *Not So Easy Street*, Edmonton, AB  
2011, *Super 8 Challenge*, FAVA, Edmonton, AB

**Media**

2019, *Exhibition Review: With All Things Considered*, Canadian Art Magazine  
2019, *Year-End Views: Edmonton*, Galleries West Magazine  
2019, *CTV Edmonton Morning Show*, TV interview  
2019, *Artists who work in landfills*, CBC Arts National  
2018, *In Focus: Leanne Olson*, October issue, Alberta Views Magazine  
2018, *Exploring the Art of a Landfill*, New Trail Magazine  
2018, *As It Happens*, Radio Interview with Carol Off, CBC National  
2018, *Radio Active*, Radio Interview with Portia Clark, CBC Edmonton  
2018, *Dirty Work: Artist Starts Residency*, Star National News  
2018, Global News Edmonton, TV Interview with Quinn Ohler  
2018, City News Edmonton, TV Interview with Carly Robinson  
2018, *Edmonton Waste Centre Hosts First Artist in Residence*, Waste 360, New York  
2017, *Wading through the lens*, Vue Weekly  
2016, *Night Moves show explores night after the sun goes down*, Edmonton Journal  
2014, *The hidden faces of Leanne Olson*, Edmonton Journal  
2014, *People to watch in 2015: Meet Edmonton artist Leanne Olson*, Edmonton Journal

**Grants & Awards**

2019-2020, Graduate Award, University of Victoria  
2019-2020, Alberta Foundation for the Arts, Visual Art & New Media Individual Project Fund  
2018-2019, Edmonton Arts Council Artist in Residence  
2017, Travel Grant, Edmonton Arts Council