

Brian Dettmer

Education

1997 Columbia College, Chicago B.A., Art and Design / Art History

Solo Exhibitions

2020 ***Hardcovers and Paperbacks***, March 10 – December 5, 2020
The University of Mississippi Museum, 412 University Ave., Oxford, MS

TOO MUCH INFORMATION, March 3 – 9, 2020
SPRING/BREAK Art Show, 625 Madison Ave., New York, NY

2019 ***Elegies***, September 4 – October 12, 2019
Nancy Toomey Fine Art, 1275 Minnesota Street, San Francisco, CA

2018 ***Selective Collective Memories***, October 25, 2018 – January 5, 2019
Albany Museum of Art, 311 Meadowlark Drive, Albany, GA

2017 ***Divided***, August 31 – October 6, 2017
Texas A&M University, 6300 Ocean Drive, Corpus Christi, TX

Art of Facts, Brian Dettmer, February 7 – April 28, 2017
Schingoethe Center of Aurora University, 347 S. Gladstone Ave. Aurora, IL

2016 ***Dodo Data Dada***, September 8 – October 15, 2016
P•P•O•W, 535 W. 22nd Street, New York, NY

2015 ***Antisocial Media, new book work***, May 8 – June 27, 2015
Packer Schopf, 942 W. Lake Street, Chicago, IL

Turn the Page- featured artist, May 1 – May 2, 2015
Turn the Page Artists' Book Fair, The Forum, Norwich, United Kingdom

2014 ***Knowledge in Depth***, December 11 – March 1, 2015
Morris Museum of Art, 1 Tenth Street, Augusta, GA

A Decade of Book Sculpture, July 12 – September 14, 2014
Hermann Geiger Foundation, Piazza Guerrazzi 32/33 Cecina, Italy

2013 ***Elemental***, October 25 – December 15, 2013
Haverford College, 370 Lancaster Avenue, Haverford, PA

Elemental, May 30 – August 18, 2013
Virginia Museum of Contemporary Art, 2200 Parks Avenue, Virginia Beach, VA

Brian Dettmer, March 7 – 10, 2013
VOLTA NY, 82 Mercer Street, New York, NY

2012 ***Elemental***, October 20, 2012 - January 5, 2013
Museum of Contemporary Art of Georgia (MOCA-GA), 75 Bennett St., Atlanta, GA

Brian Dettmer, April 20 – May 28, 2012
University of Maribor Library, Gospejna ulica 10, Maribor, Slovenia

Textonomy, February 2 – March 17, 2012
Toomey Tourell Fine Art, 49 Geary Street, San Francisco, CA

2011 ***Paper Back***, November 4 - 20, 2011
Packer Schopf, 942 W. Lake Street, Chicago, IL

Brian Dettmer, Altered Books, May 19, 2011 – June 11, 2011
Kinz + Tillou, 526 West 26th St., Suite 416, New York, NY

2010 ***New Worlds to Conquer***, November 20, 2010 – January 15, 2011
Saltworks, 664 11th Street NW, Atlanta, GA

Ex Libris, May 27 – July 31, 2010
MiTO Gallery, Rosselló 193, Barcelona, Spain

2009 ***New Mixed Media***, September 1 – 30, 2009

Toomey Tourell Fine Art, 49 Geary Street, San Francisco, CA

Adaptations, April 3 – May 9, 2009
Packer Schopf, 942 W. Lake Street, Chicago, IL

2008 ***Brian Dettmer***, May 3 – June 14, 2008
Kinz, Tillou + Feigen 529 W. 20th Street, 11th Floor, New York, NY

The Cemetery of Forgotten Books, January 31 – March 8, 2008
MiTO Gallery, Rosselló 193, Barcelona, Spain

2007 ***Remixed Media***, July 3 – August 11, 2007
Toomey Tourell Fine Art, 49 Geary Street, San Francisco, CA

Postoperative, February 2 – April 20, 2007
International Museum of Surgical Science, 1524 N. Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, IL

2006 ***Second Nature***, November 30, 2006 – January 6, 2007
Art & Idea, 529 W. 20th Street, Floor 7, New York, NY

2005 ***Altered States- explorations in media modification***, December 9, 2005 – January 14, 2006
Aron Packer Gallery, 118 N. Peoria, Chicago, IL

Selected Group Exhibitions

2022 ***Foire Aux Livres***, 9/14-9/19, 2022, Fondation de RomainMotier, RomainMotier, Switzerland

The Art of the Book, 4/23/22 – 5/29/22, Seager Gray Gallery, Mill Valley, CA

2021 ***Works on Paper, Galila's Collection***, 9/17/20 – 1/22/21, Jewish Museum of Belgium, Brussels, Belgium

Considering Civility, 10/1/20 – 1/22/21, Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, CA

2020 ***Cut, Fold and Handmade***, 05/07/20 – 6/14/20, Peninsula Fine Arts Center, Newport News, VA

The Art of the Book, 5/1/20 – 5/31/20, Seager Gray Gallery, Mill Valley, CA

2019 ***Poetry in Paper***, 10/04/19 – 9/20/20, Center for Papirkunst, Blokhuis, Denmark

Walt Whitman's Words, 10/04/19 – 12/14/19, The Center for Book Arts, New York, NY

The Flourish of Liberty, 6/16/19 – 8/31/19, Shandy Hall, Coxwold, England

The Art of the Book, 5/1/19 – 5/31/19, Seager Gray Gallery, Mill Valley, CA

Truth or Dare: A Reality Show, 9/18 – 7/19, 21c Museum Hotel, Cincinnati, OH

2018 ***A Way with Words***, 11/29/18 – 4/29/19, Children's Museum of the Arts, New York, NY

The Book as Art, 10/01/18 – 10/01/19, Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport, Atlanta, GA

Fast, Cheap & Easy: The Copy Art Revolution, 9/14/18 – 12/15/18, CEPA Gallery, Buffalo, NY

A Sentimental Journey 250th Anniversary, 5/20/18 – 9/30/18, Shandy Hall, Coxwold, England

The Art of the Book, 5/01/18 – 5/31/18, Seager Gray Gallery, Mill Valley, CA

Art Basel Hong Kong, 3/29/18 – 3/31/18 with P•P•O•W, Hong Kong

2017 ***Concrete, Paper, Plastic***, 11/3/17 – 1/20/18, Aron Packer Projects at Chicago Gallery News, Chicago, IL

Book Art: A Novel Idea, 10/27/17 – 3/4/18, The Morris Museum, Morristown, NJ

The Internal Machine, 10/6/17 – 12/16/17, The Center for Book Arts, New York, NY

The Brask Collection meets Willumsen, 9/9/17 – 2/18/18, J.F. Willumsens Museum, Frederikssund, Denmark

Deep Cuts: Contemporary Paper Cutting, 2/25/17 – 5/21/17, Currier Museum of Art, Manchester, NH

Turn the Page: The First Ten Years of Hi-Fructose, 2/10/17 – 05/07/17, Akron Art Museum, Akron, OH

2016 ***The Blank Page Exhibition***, 7/9/16 – 9/30/16, Shandy Hall, Coxwold, UK

Turn the Page, 5/22/16 – 12/31/16, Virginia Museum of Contemporary Art, Virginia Beach, VA

Charisma of the Book: The Exhibition, 3/10/16 – 3/19/16, NYUAD Project Space, Abu Dhabi, UAE

Between the Covers: Altered Books in Contemporary Art, 2/5/16 – 6/6/16, Everhart Museum, Scranton, PA

2015 ***Unhinged: Book Art on the Cutting Edge***, 9/27/15 – 1/3/16, Whatcom Museum, Bellingham, WA

Book Art Biennial 2015, 7/23/15 – 7/26/15, Minnesota Center for Book Arts, Minneapolis, MN

- Reimagined*, 7/14/15- 10/18/15, The Cornell Museum of Art and American Culture, Delray Beach, FL
- Book Arts*, 6/26/15 – 7/10/15, Cascais Cultural Centre, Cascias, Portugal
- 2014 *Odd Volumes*, 11/7/14 – 2/01/15, Yale University Art Gallery, New Haven, CT
- Behind the Personal Library*, 10/11/14 – 12/20/14, The Center for Book Arts, New York, NY
- Boundless: The Book Transformed*, 04/04/14 – 8/10/14, Mesa Contemporary Arts Museum, Mesa, AZ
- Once Upon a Time*, 03/24/14 – 5/30/14, California State University, Fresno, CA
- A book between two stools*, 3/01/14 – 9/07/15, Boghossian Foundation, Brussels, Belgium
- Obsessive Reductive*, 02/01/14 – 3/30/14, San Francisco Museum of Craft and Design, SF, CA
- 2013 *A Human Document*, 12/04/13 – 5/25/14, Pérez Art Museum Miami, Miami, FL
- Fan Club*, 10/19/13 – 3/16/14, MIAM Museum, Sète, France
- The Illuminated Library*, 9/21/13 – 10/17/13, San Francisco State University, San Francisco, CA
- Summer Reading*, 7/18/13 – 8/24/13, The Hole, New York, NY
- Drawing Inside the Perimeter*, 6/26/13 – 9/22/13, The High Museum of Art, Atlanta, GA
- PaperWorks*, 6/15/13 – 10/26/13, Berkshire Museum, Pittsfield, MA
- Rebound: Dissections and Excavations in Book Arts*, 5/23/13 – 7/6/13, Halsey Institute, Charleston, SC
- 2012 *Out of Print*, 9/13/12 – 11/25/12, Bakersfield Museum of Art, Bakersfield, CA
- Chattanooga Gems*, 8/25/12 – 10/21/12, Hunter Museum of American Art, Chattanooga, TN
- 40 Under 40*, 7/20/2012 – 2/3/2013, Smithsonian Museum, Renwick Gallery, Washington, D.C.
- A Cut Above: 12 Paper Masters*, 5/10/12 -6/24/12, Christopher Henry Gallery, New York, NY
- The Art of the Book*, 4/17/12 – 5/31/12, Seager Gray Gallery, Mill Valley, CA
- Rock, Paper, Scissors: Process & Perception*, 1/19/12 – 2/29/12, Aurora University, Aurora, IL
- 2011 *Bookish*, 9/25/11-1/15/12, San Jose Museum of Art, San Jose, CA
- BRP Paper*, 9/8/11-10/16/11, Black Rat Projects, London, England
- Modified Expression*, 8/6/11 – 10/12/11, The National Craft Gallery, Kilkenny, Ireland
- The (Un)framed Photograph*, 7/6/11 – 9/10/11, The Center for Book Arts, New York, NY
- Paperwork in 3D*, 5/15/11 – 10/30/11, Shelburne Museum, Shelburne, VT
- T_XT_RT*, 01/13/11 – 02/22/11, Jenkins Johnson Gallery, San Francisco, CA
- 2010 *The Book: A Contemporary View*, 12/22/10 – 4/17/11, DCCA, Wilmington, DE
- The Slice*, 11/20/10 – 12/15/10, AA Gallery, London, England
- Art on Paper 2010*, 11/7/10 – 2/06/11, Weatherspoon Art Museum, Greensboro, NC
- The Cutting Edge*, 10/7/10 – 11/12/10, Valle Orti, Valencia, Spain
- Skin*, 6/10/10 – 9/26/10, Wellcome Collection London, England
- Holland Paper Biennial*, 6/06/10 – 9/12/10, Museum Rijswijk, Rijswijk, Netherlands
- Substitute Teacher*, 3/05/10 – 5/16/10, The Contemporary, Atlanta, GA
- 2009 *Slash: Paper Under the Knife*, 10/07/09 – 04/04/10, Museum of Arts and Design, New York, NY
- A Flood of Pictures*, 06/19/09 – 08/01/09, Saltworks, Atlanta, GA
- Inappropriate Covers*, 04/11/09 – 05/24/09, Brown University, Providence, RI
- The Book Borrowers*, 02/24/09 – 06/14/09, Bellevue Arts Museum, Bellevue, WA
- Cutters*, 01/29/09 – 03/14/09, Hunter College, New York, NY
- 2008 *Banned & Recovered*, 8/15/08 - 11/26/08, San Francisco Center for the Book, San Francisco, CA
- Domestica*, 4/5/08 - 5/4/08, Edward Day Gallery, Toronto, Canada
- HereThereEverywhere*, 1/19/08 - 4/6/08, Chicago Cultural Center, Chicago, IL

Selected Press / Bibliography

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 Russell, Lindsay Rose, "Dictionary, Shaped: Artists' Books and Lexicography",
Dictionaries: Journal of the Dictionary Society of North America, Vol. 41, 2020 (Reproductions)
- 2019** Seager, Donna, *The Art of the Book*, Exhibition Catalogue (Reproductions)
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 Lawrence, Deirdre, Curator, *Walt Whitman's Words*, Exhibition Catalogue (Reproductions)
 Seager, Donna, *Art & Words*, Exhibition Catalogue (Reproductions)
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- 2018** Borsuk, Amanda, *The Book*, (pg 184) MIT Press Essential Knowledge Series
 Opera National de Paris, *Parsifal, Richard Wagner*, Opera Programme (Reproductions)
 Pressman, Jessica, *Book Presence in a Digital Age*, Bloomsbury Publishing (Reproductions)
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- 2017** Atlas, Nava, "Brian Dettmer, Paging Through Time", *Sculpture Magazine*, April 2017 (Reproductions)
 Chong, Alan, *Deep Cuts*, Currier Museum of Art exhibition catalogue (Reproduction)
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 McGlynn, Tom, "The Internal Machine", *The Brooklyn Rail*, December 13th, 2017
- 2016** Dune, Carrey, "Encyclopedias Transformed into Dazzling, Dada-Inspired Sculptures" *Hyperallergic*, Sept 26, 2016
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- 2015** Bendandi, Luca and Diman, Paz, *Skulture*, (Reproductions)
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- 2014** Berti, Michela, "Dettmer, l'arte sovversiva di scolpire libri", *La Nazione*, July 19, 2014 (Reproductions)
 Cherkasova, Natalia, *The Art Magazine, Moscow*, Cover Issue 1, 2014 (Reproductions)
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 Bowdoin College Library, Brunswick, ME
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 The Cleveland Institute of Art, Cleveland, OH
 Colección DKV, Spain
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 The Eaton Collection at UC Riverside, Riverside, CA
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 High Museum of Art, Atlanta, GA
 Indiana University Fine Arts Library, Bloomington, IN
 MacEwan University, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada
 Microsoft, U.S.A.
 The Museum of Contemporary Art of Georgia, Atlanta, GA
 The Museum of Old and New Art, Tasmania, AU
 The National Museum, Oslo, Norway
 The New York Public Library, NY
 The Phoenix Public Library, Phoenix, AZ
 Ringling College of Art and Design, Sarasota, FL
 San Jose Museum of Art, San Jose, CA
 Savannah College of Art & Design, Jen Library, Savannah, GA
 Shandy Hall, Coxwold, England
 Smithsonian American Art Museum Renwick Gallery, Washington, D.C.
 Temple University, Philadelphia, PA
 The University of Melbourne, Melbourne, Australia
 University of Miami, Miami, FL
 Wesleyan University, Middletown, CT
 Yale University Art Gallery, New Haven, CT