# PDX

# TAD SAVINAR

## BORN

1950 Portland, OR

## EDUCATION

1973 Bachelor of Arts in Studio Art, The Colorado College, Colorado Springs, CO

# SELECTED SITE INSTALLATIONS AND SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2017 *youniverse—past, present, future,* Ronna and Eric Hoffman Gallery, Lewis & Clark College, Portland, OR
- 2013 *I wonder,* PDX CONTEMPORARY ART, Portland, OR
- 2008 Not Just Another Pretty Picture, PDX CONTEMPORARY ART, Portland, OR
- 2006 City in a Box, PDX CONTEMPORARY ART, Portland, OR
- 2004 Savage, Portland, OR
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- 1999 The Art Gym, Marylhurst University, Portland, OR
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- 1997 S.K. Josefsberg Gallery, Portland, OR
- 1994 Savage Fine Art, Portland, OR
- 1992The Fabric Workshop, Philadelphia, PA
- Elizabeth Leach Gallery, Portland, OR
- 1991Elizabeth Leach Gallery, Portland, OR
- 1989 Elizabeth Leach Gallery, Portland, OR
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- 1985 The New Museum of Contemporary Art, New York, NY
- 1984 Reed College, Portland, OR
  - Center on Contemporary Art (COCA), Seattle, WA
- 1983 Los Angeles Institute of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, CA Pennsylvania State University, College Station, Pennsylvania, PA The Art Gym, Marylhurst College, Portland, OR
- 1982 Artist's Space, New York, NY
- Portland Center for the Visual Arts (PCVA), Portland, OR
- 1980 Portland Art Museum, Portland, OR
- 1979 Eastern Washington University, Cheny, WA
- 1978 And/Or, Seattle, WA
- 1977 Blue Sky Photography Gallery, Portland, OR, artist's book
- 1976 Polly Friedlander Gallery, Seattle, WA Wentz Gallery, Museum Art School, Portland, OR Northwest Artist's Workshop, Portland, OR

# SELECTED TWO PERSON AND GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2019 IT'S SUMMER!, PDX CONTEMPORARY ART, Portland, OR
- 2018 Along the Edge, PDX CONTEMPORARY ART, Portland, OR
- 2016 A Stand of Pine in a Tilled Field: 21 Years at PDX, PDX CONTEMPORARY ART, Portland, OR
- 2013 Nice to Meet You, Atlanta Contemporary Art Center, Atlanta, GA

- 2007 *Drawing(s): 40+ artists/200works- A 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Exhibition*, The Art Gym, Marylhurst University, Portland, OR
- 2004 2005 Keys to the Koop: Humor and Satire in Contemporary Printmaking, west coast museums
- 2001 2004 Pressure Points, touring print show, west coast museums, cat.
- 1999 Meyerson Nowinski, Seattle, WA
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   International Print Exhibition, Portland Art Museum, Portland, OR
   Object to Image, Portland Art Museum, Portland, OR
   Oregon Biennial, Portland Art Museum, Portland, OR
   Prints from the Jordan D. Schnitzer Collection, The Art Gym, Marylhurst University, Portland, OR
- 1996 Meyerson and Nowinski, Seattle, WA Elizabeth Leach Gallery, Portland, WA The Art Gym, Marylhurst University, Portland, OR
- 1995 Savage Fine Art, Portland, OR Portland Art Museum, Portland, OR Chapman College, Los Angeles, CA
- University of Oregon Art Museum, Eugene, OR
- 1994Art Gym, Marylhurst University, Portland, OR
- 1993Savage Fine Art, Portland, ORElizabeth Leach Gallery, Portland, OR
- Portland Art Museum, Portland, OR
- 1991 Art Gym, Marylhurst College, Portland, OR
- Portland Art Museum, Portland, OR1987 Baskerville-Watson Gallery, New York, NY
- 1986 CEPA, (Collins-Milazzo curators) Buffalo, New York, NY
- 1985 New Langton Arts, San Francisco, CA
- Whatcom Museum of Art, Bellingham, WA
- MO David Gallery, New York, NY
- Greg Kucera Gallery, Seattle, WA1984 Chapman College, Los Angeles, CA
- Artist's Space, New York, NY
- 1980Blue Sky Gallery, Portland, OR
- Marylhurst College, Portland, OR
- 1979Blue Sky Gallery, Portland, OR
- 1978 Portland State University, Portland, OR Portland Art Museum, Portland, OR
  - PCVA, Portland, OR
  - San Diego Art Museum, San Diego, CA
  - John Berggruen Gallery, San Francisco, CA
- 1976 Cheny Cowles Art Museum, Spokane, WA
- 1975John Berggruen Gallery, San Francisco, CAPolly Friedlander Gallery, Seattle, WA
- Fountain Gallery, Portland, OR
- 1974 University of Colorado, Colorado Springs, CO Coos Bay Art Museum, Coos Bay, OR Corvallis Art Museum, Corvallis, OR
  - John Berggruen Gallery, San Francisco, CA

<sup>2011</sup> oomph, PDX CONTEMPORARY ART, Portland, OR

Seattle Art Museum, Seattle, OR Portland Art Museum, Portland, OR Fountain Gallery, Portland, OR Polly Friedlander Gallery, Seattle, WA Fountain Gallery, Portland, OR

#### FELLOWSHIPS/GRANTS/AWARDS

1973

A.S.A.P. residency, Northeast Harbor, Maine 1998 Governor's Arts Award, OR 1997 Ucross Foundation, residency, Wyoming 1995 National Endowment for the Arts Individual Fellowship, Painting 1991 Portland Metropolitan Arts Commission Travel Grant Fabric Workshop, residency, Philadelphia 1991 1987 Portland Metropolitan Arts Commission Project Grant 1986 Portland Metropolitan Arts Commission Project Grant 1984 Portland Metropolitan Arts Commission Project Grant 1984 National Endowment for the Arts Individual Fellowship, Sculpture 1984 National Endowment for the Arts Inter-Arts Project Grant, performance 1983 Oregon Arts Commission Individual Fellowship, Sculpture

#### **Museum Collections**

Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY Smithsonian Institute, National Archives, Washington, D.C. Norton Museum, Miami Beach, FL Portland Art Museum, Portland, OR University of California Art Museum, Santa Barbara, CA The Fabric Workshop Archives, Philadelphia, PA

#### **PRIVATE COLLECTIONS**

- Chase Manhattan Bank, New York Phillip Morris Corporation, New York J. Berggruen, San Francisco, California James Winkler Company, Portland Aratex, Burbank, California Oregon Health Science Center, Portland Tonkin, Torp, Galen, Portland G. Stroemple, Portland A. Schnitzer, Portland S. French, New York J. Schnitzer, Portland
- T. Hopkins, Portland

#### **PUBLIC ART PROJECTS**

John Callahan Garden, Installation, Portland, OR, City Hall Renovation Commission, Portland, OR, 1995-98 Harborview Medical Center, Seattle, WA, 1992-98 San Jose Fire Station No. 1, San Jose, CA, 1998-1999 University of Texas at San Antonio, TX, 1995-96 Temple Beth Israel, Portland, OR, 1994 Mentor Graphics Headquarters, Portland, OR, 1990 U.S. Customs Office, Sumas, WA, 1990 State Lands Building, Salem, Oregon, 1990 City of Seattle, 1985, suite of prints City of Portland, 1980, suite of prints City of Eugene, 1980, installation work

### **DESIGN TEAMS PROJECTS**

Columbine High School Memorial Design Team, 1999 - 2005 NJ State WW II Memorial Conceptual Design Team, 2001 Seattle Light Rail, 1999 - 2008 Phoenix Light Rail 1999 - 2008 Portland Mall Light Rail 2004 - 2009 River District Right of Way Design Team, Portland, 1995-96 Forest Park Light Rail Station Area Plan, St. Louis, 1998 Street Scape Standards Design Project, Anchorage, 1998 Eagle River Downtown Circulation Master Plan, Eagle River Alaska, 1998 Community Building Design, Montalvo Center for the Arts, Saratoga CA, 1998 Multi Modal Transit Station, Everett WA, 1998-Tri Met Light Rail Design Team, Portland, 1992-98 Harborside Light Rail Station, Jersey City, 1997-99 Lincoln Street Bridge Design Team, Spokane Washington, 1997-, Pacific Avenue Overpass Design Team, Everett, Washington, 1999 Commercial Park Blocks Re-design, Portland, 1996 - 98Volunteer. Stockyards Building, Portland, 1997 PED to MAX Station Area Design Team, Gresham, Oregon, 1996-97 Main Street Re-Design, Salt Lake City, 1996-97 Oregon Holocaust Memorial Design Team, Portland, 1996-Oregon Garden Project, Silverton, Oregon 1996-Transit Center Design Team, Eugene Oregon, 1995-96 LINK Public Transit Design Team, Chelan and Douglas Counties, Washington, 1996 Plaza Design Team, Eugene Oregon, 1995 Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority, San Jose, 1996

## PLANNING PROJECTS

Light Rail Public Art Master Plan, Salt Lake City, 1996-97 Dome Area Master Plan, Tacoma, Washington, 1998 Southwest Community Plan Task Force, Portland, 1995-97 405 Lid Study, Portland, 1998 Downtown Plan, Portland, 1998 San Francisco Presidio Re-development Project, 1995 Rio Salado Public Art Master Plan, Tempe, Arizona, 1992-94 Future Focus, Portland, 1991-92 Arts Plan 2000 Plus, Portland, 1992-93

#### THEATER WORKS

- 1994 Wrote COVER SHOT. Produced by Portland Repertory Theater.
- 1990 Commissioned by the Oregon Shakespeare Festival to write an original work.
- 1988 Wrote and designed THE FOUR MICKIES. Produced by Artist's Repertory Theater, Portland, OR

- **1986** Wrote, directed, produced, and designed AUTOFLEX at PCVA and the Portland Civic Theater Wrote RE-WIRED. Commissioned and produced by the Portland Civic Theater. Wrote, designed, and directed BRUSHFIRES. Produced by P. C.T.
- 1982-87 Conceived, designed, and co-created TALK RADIO (performance work) in collaboration with Eric Bogosian, which premiered at Portland Center for the Visual Arts in 1985; Produced in 1987 by Joseph Papp at the New York Shakespeare Festival and placed in the Archive of Theater on Film. Feature film version directed by Oliver Stone and released by Universal Pictures, 1989.

# FUNDING PANEL PARTICIPATION

- 1998Ucross Residency Program Selection Panel
- 1997 National Endowment for the Arts Museum Planning and Stabilization Panel
- 1995 National Endowment for the Arts, Visual Arts Organizations
- 1993-94 Portland Metropolitan Arts Commission, Artists Projects
- 1993 Oregon Arts Commission, Artists Projects
- Warhol Foundation/Rockefeller Foundation Regional Initiative Funding
- 1991 Panel Member, Artists Projects, Oregon Arts Commission
- 1990Chair, National Endowment for the Arts Visual Arts Organization PanelFunding Consultant, Meyer Memorial Trust, Portland
- 1989Panel Member, NEA/Visual Arts Organization Panel
- 1987 Panel Member, NEA/Rockefeller Foundation Inter-Arts Grants

# SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- 2016 "Pictures that Talk." Ronna and Eric Hoffman Gallery of Contemporary Art, Lewis & Clark College. 2016
- Lampe, Lilly. "A Revealing Pairing: Nice to Meet You at the Contemporary." *Burnaway*, Feb. 14, 2013
- 2008 DuRoche, Tim. "Civilizing Space." *Oregon Humanities*. Fall/Winter 2008 Row, D.K. "On view: Sean Healy, Tad Savinar and Fontanelle Gallery. *OregonLive.com*. September 3, 2008
- 2006 Row, D.K. "Savinar: left turns and reorientation." *The Oregonian*. September 15, 2006
- 2004 Henderson, Harvest. "A Tinkling or a Tintinabulation?" *The Oregonian*. November, 2004 Gragg, Randy. "Contemplating the Memorial." *The Oregonian*. September 5, 2004 Gragg, Randy. "Vision in the desert; Phoenix asks Tad Savinar. *The Oregonian*. 2004
- 2003 Gragg, Randy. "Designs on mourning." *The Oregonian*. April 9, 2003
- Hicks, Bob. "Adding luster to the arts." *The Oregonian*. October 15, 1998
   Hackett, Regina. "Drawing invitational reveals personal taste. *The Seattle Post-Intelligencer*. July 22, 1998
- Updike, Robin. "Artists add human touch." *The Seattle Times*. August 31, 1997
  Farr, Sheila. "Drawing on inspiration." *Seattle Weekly.* July 16, 1997
  Hackett, Regina. "Ephemeral themes dominate ambitious 'Drawings' exhibit." *The Seattle Post-Intelligencer.* July 11, 1997
- Allan, Lois. "Tad Savinar at S.F. Josefsburg Studio." Artweek, 1997
- Allan, Lois. Contemporary Art in the Northwest. *Fine Art Publishing*. October 1995
- 1994 Moshofsky, Barbara. "Cover Shot." *Willamette Week*. April 13 19, 1994
- 1992 "Tad Savinar at Elizabeth Leach Gallery." *REFLEX*. November/December 1992
- 1991 Gragg, Randy. "Irony Coast: Two Northwest artists color wry works with sarcasm." *The Oregonian*. November 29, 1991

# SELECTED PROFESSIONAL AND BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

- 1992 Autumn Harvest AIDS/Hospice Event, Co-Chair, Portland, Oregon
- 1979-86 Instructor of Art, Marylhurst College, Portland Oregon

- 1979-80 PCVA Exhibition Committee Chair, Portland, Oregon
- 1978Set Designer, So & So & So & So Dance Company
- 1977-82 PCVA Board Member, Portland Oregon
- 1975-86 Free-lance Preparator