# LEIGH MERRILL | CURRICULUM VITAE

#### **EDUCATION**

2009 Master of Fine Arts, Mills College, Oakland, CA, Departmental Honors: Jay DeFeo Award 2001 Bachelor of Fine Arts, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM, Summa Cum Laude

### **ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

May 2019 - cont	Associate Professor of Art, Texas A&M University-Commerce, Commerce, TX
Aug. 2013 - May 2019	Assistant Professor of Art, Texas A&M University-Commerce, Commerce, TX
Aug. 2012 - May 2013	Interim Photography Faculty, Texas A&M University-Commerce, Commerce, TX
Jan. 2012 - Dec 2012	Lecturer of Art, University of Texas Dallas, Richardson, TX
Aug. 2009 - May 2010	Lecturer of Art, University of Texas Dallas, Richardson, TX
Aug. 2009 - May 2010	Adjunct Faculty, University of North Texas, Denton, TX
Aug. 2007 - May 2009	Graduate Teaching Assistant, Mills College, Oakland, CA

#### **COURSES TAUGHT**

PHO 1301: Photography Appreciation, Texas A&M University-Commerce

PHO 2356: Introduction to Digital Media, Texas A&M University-Commerce

PHO 2357: Basic Photography, Texas A&M University-Commerce

PHO 209: Intro to Video, Texas A&M University-Commerce

PHO 350: Advanced Digital Photography, Texas A&M University-Commerce

PHO 359: Junior Photography Seminar, Texas A&M University-Commerce

PHO 370: Video Production Techniques, Texas A&M University-Commerce

PHO 403: Business Practices in Photography, Texas A&M University-Commerce

PHO 450: Photography Seminar, Texas A&M University-Commerce

PHO 497: The Constructed Image, Texas A&M University-Commerce

PHO 497: Urbanism and Photography, Texas A&M University-Commerce

ARTS 2350: Digital Photography and Design, University of Texas Dallas

ARTS 3372: Color Photography, University of Texas Dallas

ASTU 4250: Photography Studio, University of North Texas

ASTU 3170: Computers in Art, University of North Texas

### **GALLERY REPRESENTATION**

Liliana Bloch Gallery, Dallas, TX

## SOLO AND TWO-PERSON EXHIBITIONS

2022	Collecting Forests, Solo Exhibition, Liliana Bloch Gallery, Dallas, TX
	Latent Adaptations, Two-person exhibition, Rosemary Duffy Larson Gallery, Broward College, Davie, FL
2021	Blue Crush, Solo Exhibition, Angelina College, Lufkin, TX
	Latent Architecture, Solo Exhibition, Elon University, Elon, NC
2019	American Martini, Liliana Bloch Gallery, Dallas, TX
	This Place, Pictura Gallery, Bloomington, IN
2018	Collections, Keepsakes, Souvenirs, Two-Person Exhibition, Galveston Arts Center, Galveston, TX
2017	Adriana Corral & Leigh Merrill, The Gallery at UT Arlington, Arlington, TX
	Variations, Two-Person Exhibition, Greymatter Gallery, Milwaukee, WI
2016	This Place, Solo Exhibition, Flashpoint Gallery, Washington, DC
	This Place, Solo Exhibition, Liliana Bloch Gallery, Dallas, TX
	<i>Teacup, Still Life, Landscape</i> , two-person exhibition, Kresge Gallery, Lyon College, Batesville, AR
2015	Cloud Seeding, Solo Exhibition, Target Gallery, Torpedo Factory, Alexandria, VA
2014	Cinder Blocks and Cherry Blossoms, Solo Exhibition, Liliana Bloch Gallery, Dallas, TX
	<i>Drive Thru</i> , Solo Exhibition, Manifest Gallery in-conjunction with FOTOFOCUS Biennial 2014, Cincinnati, OH
	Leigh Merrill, Solo Exhibition, Brookhaven Studio Gallery, Dallas, TX
2013	Still, Solo Exhibition, Women and Their Work Gallery, Austin, TX
	Fictional/Familiar, Two-person Exhibition, Swarm Gallery, Oakland, CA
	Manifest Destiny, Solo Exhibition, The Tremaine Gallery, Hotchkiss School, Lakeville, CT
	Staged, Two-person Exhibition, G Gallery, Houston, TX, Curated by Diane Barber, Independent Curator
2011	Into the Sunset, Solo Exhibition, Lawndale Art Center, Houston, TX
2009	Streets, Two-person Exhibition, 1078 Gallery, Chico, CA

2007	Fence, Solo exhibition, Eye Lounge Gallery, Phoenix, AZ
2006	House, Solo exhibition, Eye Lounge Gallery, Phoenix, AZ
2001	Bed, Solo exhibition, John Sommers Gallery, Albuquerque, NM
2000	Rooms, Solo exhibition, ASA Gallery, Albuquerque, NM
GRO	OUP EXHIBITIONS
2022	Plastic Fake Forest, Blue Star Contemporary, San Antonio, TX, curated by Jacqueline McGilvray
	<i>The Fabric of Being</i> , Salisbury University Art Galleries Downtown, Salisbury, MD, curated by Elizabeth Kauffman, Director Salisbury University Art Galleries
2021	Whereabouts and Hideouts: Artists Imagine Our Built Environment, The Museum of Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX
	The Albritton Collection, Amarillo Museum of Art, Amarillo, TX
2020	A Posteriori, Liliana Bloch Gallery, Dallas, TX
	Fractured, Photo-eye Gallery, Santa Fe, NM
	Salina Biennial, Salina Art Center, Salina, KS, curated by Ksenya Gurshtein, Curator of Modern and Contemporary Art at the Ulrich Museum of Art
	Americas All Media 2020, Northwest Arts Center, Minot State University, Minot, ND
2019	Cimarron National Works of Art on Paper, Gardiner Gallery, Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, OK, Juried by Jodi Throckmorton curator of contemporary art at the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts
	The Dallas Art Fair, Liliana Bloch Gallery, Dallas, Texas
2018	Simulacrum II, Fries Museum, Leeuwarden, Netherlands, curated by Wim Melis of Noorderlicht Photography
	Step Into This House, Desai   Matta Gallery, CIIS, San Francisco, CA, curated by Deirdre Visser
	The Range of the US, UT Southwestern Medical Center, Dallas, TX, Curated by Liliana Bloch
	The Dallas Art Fair, Liliana Bloch Gallery Booth D8, Dallas, TX
2017	Deception, Filter Space, Chicago, IL, Juried by Brian Paul Clamp, Gallery Owner
	Photography in Place, Gaddis Geeslin Gallery, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, TX

Making a Splash, Tyler Museum of Art, Tyler, TX, curated by Caleb Bell

*In the Mix*, Barbara Davis Gallery, Houston, TX

Flower Power, NorthPark Center Gallery, NorthPark Mall, Dallas, TX, curated by Allison V. Smith

The Architecture of Limitless Delusion, A&M University-Commerce, UCD Gallery, Dallas, TX

2016 All of the Above, Barbara Davis Gallery, Houston, TX

CTRL+P: Leigh Merrill, Catherine Edelman Gallery, Chicago, IL

Co | Action, 500X Gallery, Dallas, TX

Between Earth and Sky: Contemporary Art From the American Southwest, curated by Peter Held. Traveling exhibition: Sichuan University, Nanjing University of Posts and Telecommunications, University of Shanghai Science and Technology; and Xi'an International University, Arizona State University Museum, Tempe, AZ

*You are Here: Texas Photographers Respond to the Texas Landscape*, curated by Krista Steinke. Traveling exhibition: Atrium Fine Art Gallery, Duchesne Academy, Houston, TX; Wright Gallery, Texas A&M University, College Station, TX

2016 SNAP! Live Auction, Bram & Bluma Appel Salon, Toronto Library, Toronto, Canada

SF Camerawork Exhibition and Auction 2016, SF Camerawork, San Francisco, CA

2015 *This Side of Paradise*, FotoFest International and Houston Center for Photography, Houston, TX Curated by Catherine Anspon of Papercity Magazine Houston

The Landmark Exhibition, Center for Contemporary Art, Santa Fe, NM, Curated by Grace Kook-Anderson

Art for Advocacy Auction, FIG Gallery, Dallas, TX

*Retreat*, Liliana Bloch Gallery, Dallas, TX, Curated by Rachel Rogerson, director of the MAC Dallas, TX

And They Papered the Room, Liliana Bloch Gallery, Dallas, TX

(N)either (N)or, The Curatorial Lab, University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI

Observations and Collections, Clara Hatton Gallery, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO

Located Place, Kresge Gallery, Lyon College, Batesville, AR

2014 Domestic Partnership, Liliana Bloch Gallery, Dallas, TX

SF Camerawork Exhibition and Auction 2014, SF Camerawork, San Francisco, CA

From the Faraway Nearby, Tarleton State University Gallery, Stephenville, TX, curated by Chris Ireland

Ain't Bad at Art Now, Morris Museum of Art, Augusta, GA

*In Addition Two: Embracing Digital Technology*, The Museum of Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX

Ulterior Motifs, Louise Hopkins Underwood Center for the Arts, Lubbock, TX

Summer School, Liliana Bloch Gallery, Dallas, TX

The Here There: on the particularity of place, Some Sum Studios, Winona, MN

*Trace: Andy Mattern, Leigh Merrill, Pavel Romaniko*, Traveling Exhibition: Greymatter Gallery, Milwaukee, WI; Box 13, Houston, TX; SCA Contemporary, Albuquerque, NM

Aint-Bad Magazine Southeast Arts Presenters Summit, Atlanta Contemporary Arts Center, Atlanta, Georgia

Collector's Choice, Sylvia White Gallery, Venture, CA

Splash #2, BIP 2014, 9th International Biennial of Photography and Visual Arts, Liege, Belgium

2013 Recollect, Liliana Bloch Gallery, Dallas, TX

*LACDA International Juried exhibition*, Los Angeles, CA, Juried by Holly Harrison of Los Angeles County Museum of Art and Peter Frank, Huffington Post

artMRKT San Francisco Contemporary Art Fair, Swarm Gallery, San Francisco, CA

Splash #2, Recyclart Art Center, Brussels, Belgium

2012 *Just Not Yet*, Landmark Arts Gallery at Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX, Curated by Peter Briggs, Helen DeVitt, Jones Curator of Art, Museum of Texas Tech University

Fabricated, Tremaine Gallery at the Hotchkiss School, Lakeville, CT, Curated by Melissa Stafford, Curator and owner of Stafford Contemporary

2011 Flickrland: the Motherland of Memories, part of the Festival Internazionale di Roma at Macro Testaccio, at Galleria Gallerati, Rome, Italy, Curated by Valentina Isceri, Artist and Independent Curator

*Fresh 2011*, Klompching Gallery, Brooklyn, NY, juried by Klompching Gallery and W.M.Hunt, Photography Curator and Collector

The Boa Constrictor and the Golden Retriever: Extremes in Tonality, SoftSpot Online Gallery, curated by Kim Hennessy and Ryan Feeney, Co-Curators and Co-Founders of SoftSpot Gallery

Future Forward, Silvereye Photo Gallery, Pittsburgh, PA, Juried by Darren Ching, Director of Klompching Gallery

2010 New Texas Talent, Craighead Green Gallery, Dallas, TX

Borders, Root Division, San Francisco, CA

#### Leigh Merrill | Curriculum Vitae

*Revisiting Beauty*, Orange County Center for Contemporary Art, Santa Ana, CA, Juried by Peter Frank, Art Critic

Selections, di Rosa Preserve Art Center, Napa, CA

Time Capsule, Eye Lounge Gallery, Phoenix, AZ

*Texas Oklahoma Art Prize*, Wichita Falls Art Museum, Wichita Falls, TX, Juried by Janis Good man, Professor of Fine Art Corcoran College of Art + Design

Texas National, Cole Art Center, Nacogdoches, TX, Juried by Judy Pfaff, Artist

Years of Living Dangerously, University of Texas Dallas Gallery, Richardson, TX

2009 Young Americans, MFA Thesis Exhibition, Mills College Art Museum, Oakland, CA

2009 Annual, CoCA Seattle, Seattle, WA, Juried by Jess Van Nostrand, Exhibitions Curator at Cornish College of the Arts

*3rd Coast National*, K Space Contemporary, Corpus Christi, TX, Juried by Fairfax Dorn, Co-Founder and Executive Director of Ballroom Marfa

Twisted Spurs, K Space Contemporary, Corpus Christi, TX

2008 Small Matters of Great Importance 2008, Edward Hopper House, Nyack, NY

All Media Exhibition, Palos Verdes Art Center, Ranchos Palos Verdes, CA

2007 Contemporary Forum, Phoenix Art Museum, Phoenix, AZ

Carnaval Do Rio Art Auction, ASU Art Museum, Tempe, AZ

Eye Lounge Annual Member's Show 2007, Eye Lounge Gallery, Phoenix, AZ

2006 I Knew I Should've Taken That Left Turn at Albuquerque III, Grand Avenue Studio C, Phoenix, AZ

2006 Juried Show, The Contemporary Artists Center of North Adams, MA, North Adams, MA

Utopia, A Shenere Velt Gallery, Los Angeles, CA

Painted Desert, North Mountain Visitor Center Gallery, Phoenix, AZ

Place, Eye Lounge Gallery, Phoenix, AZ

*Joyce Elaine Grant Juried Exhibition*, Juried by Blake Wilson, Texas Woman's University, Denton, TX

Eye Lounge Annual Member's Show 2006, Eye Lounge Gallery, Phoenix, AZ

- 2005 Artlink 9th Annual Juried Exhibition, City Hall, Phoenix, AZ, Juried by John Spiak, Curator of Art, Arizona State University Art Museum
  - I Knew I Should've Taken That Left Turn at Albuquerque II, Grand Avenue Studio C, Phoenix, AZ
  - New Work, Art Detour, Grand Avenue Studio C, Phoenix, AZ
- 2002 I Knew I Should've Taken That Left Turn at Albuquerque, Space 101, Bloomington, IN

#### **CURATORIAL**

2019 Underlying Structures, Texas A&M University-Commerce Art Gallery

#### COMMISSIONS AND PUBLIC PROJECTS

- 2018 H3 Guest House, Healdsburg, CA
- 2012 York Cultural Alliance and the New Freedom Heritage Association, New Freedom, PA
- 2007 Clarendon Hotel, Phoenix, AZ

#### LECTURES AND GALLERY TALKS

- 2022 Latent Architecture, Artist Lecture, Broward College, Davie, FL (virtual)
- 2021 Photography, Perception, Place, Artist Lecture, Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, TX (virtual) Photography, Perception, Place, Artist Lecture, Texas Women's University, Denton, TX (virtual) Latent Architecture, Artist Lecture, Elon University, Elon, NC (virtual) Blue Crush, Artist Lecture, Angelina College, Lufkin, TX
- 2020 Constructing Place, Artist Lecture, Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, OK (virtual)
- 2019 *Photography and Reality: Gallery Talk with Leigh Merrill highlighting the Laurie Simmons' exhibition,* The Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth, Fort Worth, TX
- 2018 Cinder Blocks & Cherry Blossoms: Photography, Perception, Place,
  University of North Texas Department of Geography and the Environment Fall, 2018 seminar series "Crosscurrents"
  - Gallery Talk in conjunction with *Collections, Keepsakes, Souvenirs*, Galveston Arts Center, Galveston, TX
- 2017 Constructing Place, Artist Lecture, Tyler Museum of Art, Tyler, TX
  - Constructing Place, Artist Lecture, University of Texas Arlington, Arlington, TX
- 2016 Coffee Talk Lecture Series, East Carolina University, Greenville, NC
  - Gallery Talk in conjunction with *This Place*, Liliana Bloch Gallery, Dallas, TX
  - Gallery Talk in conjunction with *Teacup*, *Still Life*, *Landscape* at Lyon College, Batesville, AR

2015 Gallery Talk in conjunction with *This Side of Paradise*, FotoFest International, Houston, TX Gallery Talk in conjunction with *Cloud Seeding*, Target Gallery, Alexandria, VA 2013 Gallery Talk in conjunction with Still exhibition, Women and Their Work Gallery, Austin, TX Gallery Talk in conjunction with *Manifest Destiny* exhibition, The Tremaine Gallery, Lakeville, CT 2012 Artist Lecture, Texas A&M University-Commerce, Commerce, TX 2011 Gallery Talk in conjunction with Into the Sunset exhibition, Lawndale Art Center, Houston, TX 2009 Gallery Talk in conjunction with Streets exhibition, 1078 Gallery, Chico, CA 2008 Artist Talk, Emerging Bay Area Artist Series, Mills College Photography Department 2007 Panelist for the Shemer Art Center, "Artists' Cafe Series: Comments, Critique, Advice", Phoenix, ΑZ 2001 Gallery Talk in conjunction with bed exhibition, John Sommers Gallery, Albuquerque, NM

#### **COLLECTIONS**

The University of North Texas Print Study Collection, Denton, TX

Museum of Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX

City of Phoenix Art & Culture Permanent Collection, Phoenix, AZ

California Institute of Integral Studies Permanent Collection, San Francisco, CA

Various Private Collections

#### **PUBLICATIONS, REVIEWS AND PRESS**

- 2022 Artist Leigh Merrill explores delicate balance between humans and forests, by Danielle Avram, Dallas Morning News, July 13, 2022
- 2021 One Work, Short Take: Leigh Merrill in Lufkin, by Matthew Bourbon, Glasstire, October 22, 2021
  Angelina College's Visual and Performing Arts to host artist Leigh Merrill, Gary Stallard, The Lufkin Daily News, September 27, 2021
  - Whereabouts and Hideouts at the Museum of Texas Tech University, by Michelle Kraft, Glasstire, May 24, 2021
- 2020 Art With the Flavors of Texas, by Mark Rinaldi, The New York Times, March 2020

2019 *Leigh Merrill, The Manner of Desires*, by Peter S. Briggs, Afterimage: The Journal of Media Arts and Cultural Criticism, Vol. 46 No. 1, University of California Press, March 2019

Leigh Merrill, by John Zotos, Visual Art Source, April 27, 2019

Chockablock Distortions Left Waiting: Leigh Merrill's Colorized Grafts of Hauntingly Unfamiliar Spaces, by Brandon Kennedy, Patron Magazine, April 2019

*Cimarron National Works of Art on Paper* exhibition catalog, essay by Dr. Louise Siddons, Oklahoma State University, October 2019

2018 Theories in Digital Composite Photographs: 12 Artists and Their Work, by Yihui Huang, Rout ledge Press, December 2018

What is Real in Photography? Fries Museum Zooms in on Illusion of Reality, Sake Van Ek, Friesch Dagblad, September 11, 2018

FotoFest Biennial 2018 Catalog, March 2018

Looking Back at the Dallas Art Fair – the First-Timers Tell All: A Record Number of Visitors in Year 10 and More to Come by Catherine D. Anspon, Papercity Magazine, May 7, 2018

2017 Flower Power Embraces Allen Ginsberg's mantra in a compelling exhibit at NorthPark Center, Michael Granberry, Dallas Morning News, May 19, 2017

*Photographer Leigh Merrill Wants to Adjust Your Focus*, Danielle Avram, Dallas Morning News, February 7, 2017

Spring is in the Air, Sarah Hauer, Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, April 21, 2017

New TMA Exhibition Making A Splash, Jon Perry, June/July 2017 Issue

Water World: Texas artist dive into summer at TMA's "Making A Splash", Jon Paerry, Tyler Morning Telegraph, June 4, 2017

Bat City Review, Issue 13, University of Texas Austin, cover photograph for the anthology

Rule Breakers: Leigh Merrill, Dennis Nance, Curator Galveston Arts Center, Don't Take Pictures Blog, October 2017

2016 Expanded Drive By: Leigh Merrill at Liliana Bloch, Christina Rees, Glasstire, June 1, 2016

This Place, Danielle Avram, Arts and Culture Texas, May 31, 2016

Semi-fictional Streetscapes Resemble Stage Sets, Mark Jenkins, The Washington Post, January 29, 2016

*On the Road to Nowhere with Leigh Merrill at Flashpoint Gallery*, Louis Jacobson, Washington City Paper, February 1, 2016

Leigh Merrill's visual hyperbole of the urban landscape, This is Paper, October 17, 2016

Altered Landscapes, Landscape Stories, Issue 25, October 2016

Leigh Merrill: The States Project: Texas, Adam Neese, Lenscratch, July 2, 2016

You are Here, exhibition catalog, curated and edited by Krista Steinke, 2016

FotoFest Biennial 2016 Catalog, March 2016

2015 This Side of Paradise brings talented Texas photographers to the forefront, Culturemap Houston, Elizabeth Rhodes, November 6, 2015

In the Galleries: Three artists explore 3-D, Mark Jenkins, The Washington Post, August 21, 2015

The Landmark Exhibition, exhibition catalog, Center for Contemporary Art Santa Fe

Aint-Bad Magazine, Interview with Leigh Merrill, Sarah Borst, July 8, 2015

Cloud Seeding, postcard exhibition catalog, Target Gallery, Torpedo Factory

Between Earth and Sky: Contemporary Art From the American Southwest, exhibition catalog

Dialogist, Vol II, Issue III, January 2015

Aint-Bad Magazine, Vol. 3, Issue No.1 – From Here On, February 2015

2014 Platform Magazine, Issue 10: Architecture, July 2014

5 Art Openings For Your Weekend, Peter Simek, Front Row D Magazine, September 10, 2014

Manifest Gallery's FotoFocus Shows Were Powerful, Steven Rosen, City Beat, November 5, 2014

Art Notes, Catherine D. Anspon, Papercity Magazine, July 2014

2013 *Still*, exhibition catalog, December 2013, catalogue essay by Charissa Terranova, Professor of Aesthetic Studies University of Texas Dallas

Top Five: October 24, 2013, Glasstire, October 24, 2013

Photo Series: Streets by Leigh Merrill, Julia Sabot, Dwell.com, May 30, 2013

Swarm Gallery's Farewell Exhibition Shows Fresh Perspectives, Alex Bigman, East Bay Express, May 22, 2013

In the Studio: Ascendant Visualists, Kate Stukenberg and Catherine D. Anspon, Papercity Magazine, May 2013

Trace, exhibition catalogue, March 2013, afterward by Will Whatley

Grand illusions: Landscapes drawn from inner spaces, Molly Glentzer, Houston Chronicle,

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*Leigh Merrill's vision of Texas at Hotchkiss*, Carola Lott, TMI Arts Page, Millbrook Independent, February 21, 2013

A Digital Look at History: or how we got where we are, Leon Graham, The Millerton News, February 21, 2013

Manifest Destiny, exhibition catalog, February 2013, Introduction by Melissa Stafford

Just Not Yet: Dodging the Vacuum of Meaning, Exhibition Catalog with introduction by curator, Peter Briggs the Helen DeVitt Jones Curator of Art at the Museum of Texas Tech, November 2012

Picturing the West with Leigh Merrill, feature and interview with Greg Jones, In the in-between art blog

2011 Leigh Merrill's Streets, Josh Rothman, Boston Globe: Brainiac

Sutured San Francisco, Geoff Manaugh of BLDGBLOG

Leigh Merrill, Isa Köhler, iGNANT art blog

Leigh Merrill, Aline Smithson, Lenscratch Photography Blog

North Texas Strip, Design Observer/Places Journal

2010 Rulers of Engagement, Steve Carter, Modern Luxury Dallas, December 2010

Borders, exhibition catalog with introduction by curator, Lucy Kalyani Lin

Streets: Into the Sunset, Design Observer/Places Journal

Years of Living Dangerously, exhibition catalog with introduction by Marilyn Waligore

2009 *2009 Annual*, Center for Contemporary Art Seattle, exhibition catalog with introduction by juror Jess Van Nostrand, Exhibitions Curator at Cornish College of the Arts

*Young Americans* exhibition catalogue with introduction by Terri Cohn, writer and art historian, and essay by Glen Helfand, critic and curator

- 2007 Photographs published in Hayden's Ferry, ASU's Art's and Literary Magazine
- 2006 Photographs published in Phoenix: 21st Century City, Booth-Clibborn Editions

Eye Lounge – a contemporary art space, inaugural member catalog

2000 Room with Swings published in Scribindi: UNM Arts and Literature Magazine Spring 2000 Edition

#### GRANTS, AWARDS, and HONORS

2021 Short List, Hopper Prize, selected by Tyler Blackwell (Cynthia Woods Mitchell Associate Curator Blaffer Art Museum at the University of Houston) and Caitlin Julia Rubin (Associate Curator & Director of Programs, Rose Art Museum at Brandeis University) 2020 Short List, Artpace Residency, selected by Gilbert Vicario, Deputy Director for Curatorial Affairs and the Selig Family Chief Curator, Phoenix Art Museum 2019 Faculty Senate Award for Creative Activity, Unfettered Thought, A&M University-Commerce 2017 Faculty Development Grant A&M University-Commerce 2016 Faculty Senate Award for Creative Activity, Unfettered Thought, A&M University-Commerce Faculty Development Grant, A&M University-Commerce 2015 Faculty Development Grant, A&M University-Commerce Short List, Artpace Residency 2014 Faculty Development Grant, A&M University-Commerce Short List, Artpace Residency 2014 Faculty Development Grant, A&M University-Commerce 2013 Faculty Development Grant, A&M University-Commerce Short List Finalist, Artpace Residency, selected by Curator Mika Yoshitake, Assistant Curator Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden 2011 Short List Finalist, Artpace Residency, Selected by Curator Suzanne Cottor Short List, The West Prize 2009 Jay DeFeo Award, Mills College 2008 GROP: Mills graduate research grant GSIP: Mills graduate student initiative grant 2007 Arizona Commission on the Arts, Quick Turn Around Grant 2006 Phoenix Art Museum Contemporary Forum Artist Grant 2000 Vera Nolan Award, University of New Mexico

#### ACADEMIC SERVICE

#### Standing or on-going committee and service assignments

May 2013 - cont. Co-coordinator of the BFA Studio Art and Photography capstone exhibition

## Leigh Merrill | Curriculum Vitae

Aug 2014 - cont.	Institutional Effectiveness Author for the BA in Studio Art, BFA in Studio Art, and BFA in Photography degrees
Aug 2015 - cont.	Committee Member, Art Department Curriculum Committee
March 2019 - cont.	Committee Member, Art Department Promotion and Tenure Committee
Sept 2019 - cont.	Committee Member, CHSSA Promotion and Tenure Committee
Sept 2019 - cont.	Committee Member Art Department Scholarship Committee
Sept 2019 - cont.	Tenure-Track Faculty Mentor, Art Department
Oct 2021 - cont.	Co-Assistant Department Head
Sept 2021 - cont.	Coordinator of the BFA Photography Sophomore level Portfolio review
Jan 2022 - cont.	Coordinator of the BFA Studio Art Sophomore level Portfolio review
Committee Work	
Jan 2022 - May 2022	Chair of the Assistant Professor of Ceramics Search Committee
May 2019 - May 2020	Committee Member, University Scholarship Committee and Foundations Sub-committee member
Oct 2019	Faculty Juror for Cyanotype Workshop art exhibition, co-hosted by the Art Department and the First-year TRAC
Oct 2019	Faculty volunteer, Cyanotype Workshop, First Year TRAC
Oct 2019	Digital Manipulation Workshop, A&M University Commerce High School Student Art Day
April 2019 - Oct 2019	Organizer of Underlying Structures exhibition at TAMUC University Art Gallery
Jan 2019 - Aug 2019	Committee Member, Art Department NASAD Committee
April - May 2019	Committee Member, Art History Search Committee
Aug 2016 - 2018	Co-author of a BFA Photography Articulation Agreement between A&M University-Commerce and Collin County College
April 2018	Digital Manipulation Workshop, A&M University-Commerce High School Art Teacher Day
Jan - May 2017	Chair, Art Department CORE Curriculum Committee
April 2017	Digital Manipulation Workshop, A&M University-Commerce High School Art Teacher Day

Nov 2017	Digital Manipulation Workshop, A&M University-Commerce High School Student Art Day
Aug 2015 - Aug 2016	Co-Coordinator of a successful proposal for a new Bachelor's Degree: BFA in Photography
Aug 2014 - May 2016	WILL (Women's Leadership, Living and Learning) Mentor
April 2016	Green Screen Workshop, A&M University-Commerce High School Art Teacher Day
Nov 2016	Anaglyph Workshop, A&M University-Commerce High School Student Art Day
Aug 2015 - May 2016	Collaborator on the A&M University-Commerce Photography Brochure
May - June 2015	A&M University-Commerce Art Faculty Coordinator for the Target Corporation Student Purchases
April 2015	Time Lapse Workshop, A&M University-Commerce High School Art Teacher Day
Aug 2013 - May 2014	Chair of the Art Department Assessment Committee, A&M University-Commerce
April 2013	Co-juror, Three-Dimensional Design Fashion Show, A&M University-Commerce
2008	Graduate student coordinator of the visiting artist lecture series, Mills College

# SERVICE OUTSIDE THE UNIVERSITY

Nov 2018 - cont.	External Advisor, Collin College Commercial Photography Advisory Board
Oct 2021	Society Photographic Education Student Portfolio Reviewer (virtual event)
April - May 2020	External Program Reviewer, Oklahoma State University Art Program
April 2019	Society Photographic Education Student Portfolio Reviewer at the Nasher Sculpture Center
Sept 2018 - Oct 2018	Visiting Artist at the Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth's educational department, Teen Artist Project
Spring 2018	Digital Manipulations Workshop, Master Class at Booker T. Washington High School College Art Fair
Fall 2018	Visiting Artist/Student Reviewer, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, TX
Dec 2017	Juror, University of Texas Arlington, Student Photography exhibition, Dallas
	Public Library, Dallas,TX
March 2017	Student Portfolio Reviewer, SPE 2017 National Conference, Tampa, FL
March 2016	Student Portfolio Reviewer, SPE 2016 National Conference, Las Vegas, NV

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Aug 2016	Photoshop Workshop, Mesquite ISD Teacher Development Day, Mesquite, TX
Spring 2015	Portfolio Reviewer, Booker T. Washington High School Visual Arts 2015 Showcase, Dallas, TX
Jun 2015	Peer Review Committee for Proposal and Presentations, SPE 2016 National Conference, <i>Constructed Images</i> , Las Vegas, NV
Spring 2015	Book Proposal Reviewer for Constructed Photographs, Focal Press
Spring 2015	Juror, 2015 Student Photography Exhibition, Richland Community College, Dallas, $\operatorname{TX}$
Spring 2015	Time Lapse Workshop, Independent Schools Association of the Southwest, Country Day School, Fort Worth, TX
Spring 2015	Adjudicator of Student Work, Independent Schools Association of the Southwest, Country Day School, Fort Worth, TX
2014	Co-juror, 2014 DSVC Foundation Scholarships
Oct 2014	Co-juror, 2014 Barnett Foundation Photography Awards, UT Arlington
2006 – 2007	President of the Eye Lounge co-operative art gallery, Phoenix, AZ