

# LEK VERCAUTEREN BORJA

## EDUCATION

**MFA, Multidisciplinary Art** – *Maryland Institute College of Art (MICA)*, Baltimore, MD | Concentration in Critical Studies, Certificate in College Teaching of Art

**BA, Liberal Studies** – *Antioch University Los Angeles*, Culver City, CA | Dual Concentration in Fine Arts and Creative Writing

## SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2021

Feb - July: *Anak (My Child)*, Townson University Asian Arts & Culture Center gallery, Towson, MD

## GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2022

July: *Women in Art*, Las Laguna Art Gallery, Laguna Beach, CA.

Mar.: *Art for Peace*, Modern Art Museum (MAM) Shanghai, China.

2021

Oct.: *The Undoing: Forgiveness* (contributor), American Jewish University, Los Angeles, CA.

Spt.: *Sister Outsider* (contributor), Denver Arts Music Film Fest, Denver, CO.

2020

Oct.: *Tuloy Po Kayo*, FilAm Arts Festival of Philippine Arts & Culture (FPAC), Los Angeles, CA

Sept.: *The Deermajinden*, Maiden LA, Los Angeles, CA

Apr.: *Quality Time*, Mata Art Gallery, Los Angeles, CA

2019

Oct. - Nov. 2019: *Araw Ng. Mga Patay*, Avenue 50 Studio Gallery, Los Angeles, CA

Oct. 2019: *Atwater Village Art Walk*, Atwater Village, CA

May - Aug.: *Compact Assembly*, Walter Otero Contemporary Art, San Juan, Puerto Rico

2018

Sept. - Dec.: *Asia in Maryland: Expressing Cross-Cultural Experience*, Townson University Asian Arts & Culture Center gallery, Towson, MD

Nov.: *Better Luck Next Time*, Sheila & Richard Riggs Gallery, MICA, Baltimore, MD

2017 - 2018, Aug. - Jan: *Kindred: celebrating our ancestors - Juried Exhibition*, Annmarie Sculpture Garden & Arts Center, Dowell, MD

2017

Aug. - Sept.: *MICA MFA Juried Exhibition*, Riggs & Leidy Gallery, Baltimore, MD

Aug.: *Priority Mail*, Ground Floor Gallery, Brooklyn, NY

May: *White Lies*, Spacecamp, Baltimore, MD

2016

Oct.: *Spitting Distance*, Riggs & Leidy Gallery, MICA, Baltimore, MD

Aug. - Sept.: *Play*, Los Angeles Municipal Art Gallery, Los Angeles, CA

2014, Aug.: *Hidden: Absent Presences*, Center for Art and Thought (CA + T), Los Angeles, CA

2012

Aug. - Nov.: *Fair Trade*, the Loft at Liz's Gallery, Los Angeles, CA

June - Aug: *Diverted Destruction*, the Loft at Liz's Gallery, Los Angeles, CA  
 2011, Aug.: *To Missoula, With Love*, FrontierSpace, Missoula, MT  
 2010, Sept.: *Venice Art Crawl*, Hotel Erwin Gallery, Venice, CA

## CURATORIAL PROJECTS

### *A Gate*

2018, July - Aug.: *A Gate*, DE Connector Landside International Art Gallery - Baltimore-Washington International (BWI) Airport, Baltimore, MD (Co-curator)

A group exhibition that reconsiders the experience of the airport passenger and aims to transform the airport environment by showing works that evoke or give a varied sense of what it might feel like to be (at) "home".

## VISUAL ART PUBLICATIONS

2014, Apr.: {m} magazine, *community*, UC Berkeley, CA (sound art)  
 2011, Apr.: The Hoping for Hope Art Project, MI (sculpture)  
 2010, Apr.: {m} Magazine, *Our Resilience*, UC Berkeley, CA (illus.)

## SELECTED WRITING PUBLICATIONS

### *Poetry & Creative Nonfiction*

2018, May: MICA Full Bleed Journal, "How to Gut a Fish with Bare Hands" and "Sound", Baltimore, MD  
 2017, May: MICA Full Bleed Journal, "Nov. 24, 1994," Baltimore, MD  
 2013, Aug.: Society for Curious Thought, "Writer, Resume," London, UK  
 2011  
   Sept.: Marco Polo, "Off the Earth," Los Angeles, CA  
   Sept.: Two Hawks Quarterly, "Android 1. - 3.," Culver City, CA  
 2010  
   Dec.: Lantern Review, "The Senses Center," Lexington, KY  
   Dec.: Two Hawks Quarterly, "Seized Lies My Body," Culver City, CA  
   Nov.: REM Magazine International, "First Date," Aotearoa, New Zealand, NZ  
   Aug: poeticdiversity, "To Move A Man," Los Angeles, CA  
   June.: Lady Jane's Miscellany, "Sound," San Francisco, CA  
 2008, Apr.: {m} Magazine, "How to Gut a Fish With Bare Hands," UC Berkeley, CA

## BOOKS

### *Poetry*

2011, *Android*, Plan B Press

## COLLECTIONS

2019: *Cheryl's Garden in August*, private collector, Los Angeles, CA  
 2018: *Untitled*, private collector, Santa Monica, CA  
 2017: *Echoes, In Dreaming*, private collector, Baltimore, MD  
 2015: *Black Slippers in the Smokey Dark*, private collector, Costa Mesa, CA  
 2013  
   *Hands*, private collector, Santa Monica, CA

*Bath*, private collector, Santa Monica, CA

2012

*Plant for Leon Kossof*, private collector, Santa Monica, CA

*Untitled*, private collector, Santa Monica, CA

2011

Android, Yale University Library, New Haven, CT

*Android*, private collector, Santa Monica, CA

## AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, OTHER

2018	Finalist Nominee, Dedalus Foundation	New York, NY
2016 - 2018	Merit Scholarship, Maryland Institute College of Art	Baltimore, MD
2015	Microgrant for Figurative Sculpture Workshop, Arts Council of Long Beach	Long Beach, CA

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"Bmore Art's Picks", Bmore Art, Feb. 9, 2021. <https://bmoreart.com/2021/02/bmorearts-picks-february-9-15.html>

"Carroll County Events", Baltimore Sun, Feb. 11, 2021.

[https://www.baltimoresun.com/maryland/carroll/events/calendar/?\\_escaped\\_fragment\\_=/details/TEAMW-ORKS-Virtual-Incubator-Program/8442475/2020-11-02T08?ser=labels:csVirtual#!/details/Meet-the-Artist-Lek-Vercauteren-Borja/8855342/2021-02-11T18](https://www.baltimoresun.com/maryland/carroll/events/calendar/?_escaped_fragment_=/details/TEAMW-ORKS-Virtual-Incubator-Program/8442475/2020-11-02T08?ser=labels:csVirtual#!/details/Meet-the-Artist-Lek-Vercauteren-Borja/8855342/2021-02-11T18)

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"Colectivo 'Compact Assembly' llega en galleria de Walter Otero Contemporary Art con Obras de mas de 25 artistas internacionales", Sol Brincano, May 31, 2019. <https://www.solbrincano.com/comunicados/2019/5/31/primer-reencuentro-internacional-de-artistas-compact-assembly>

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