

## MATH BASS

1981 Born in New York, NY  
Lives and works in Los Angeles, CA

### EDUCATION

2011 MFA, UCLA, Los Angeles, CA  
2003 BA, Hampshire College, Amherst, MA

### SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2024 *Full Body Parenthesis*, Lumber Room, Portland, OR

2023 *Roses are Red*, Tanya Bonakdar Gallery, New York

2022 *clown alley*, Tanya Leighton Gallery, Berlin, Germany  
*a picture stuck in the mirror*, *Horizontal Meeting*, Henry Art Gallery, The University of Washington, Seattle

2021 *a picture stuck in the mirror*, Henry Art Gallery, The University of Washington, Seattle  
*Math Bass*, Henry Art Gallery, Seattle  
*Desert Veins*, Vielmetter Los Angeles, Los Angeles

2019 *Fill It Up Silver*, Various Small Fires, Seoul, Korea  
*Cherry Baby*, The Gallery At, Los Angeles  
*To Name A Few*, Tanya Leighton, Berlin

2018 *Hammer Projects: Math Bass*, Hammer Museum, Los Angeles  
*My Dear Dear Letter*, Mary Boone Gallery, New York

2017 *Domino Kingdom*, Tanya Leighton, Berlin  
The Jewish Museum, New York  
*Math Bass: Serpentine Door*, Yuz Museum, Shanghai

- Over the Top: Math Bass & the Imperial Court SF*, Oakland Museum of California, Oakland, CA
- 2016 *Bloomies*, Michael and Jon Alan, Miami Beach
- 2015 *Off the Clock*, MoMA PS1 Contemporary Art Center, New York
- 2014 *Lies Inside*, Overduin & Co., Los Angeles
- 2013 *Newz!*, Michael Jon Gallery, Miami,  
*Monte Cristo*, with Leidy Churchman, Human Resources, Los Angeles
- 2012 *And then the words came out*, with Leah Glenn, Artist Curated Projects, Los Angeles (two-person show)
- 2011 *G.L.O.W.*, with Mariah Garnett, Commonwealth and Council, Los Angeles (two-person show)  
*Pass the Line*, UCLA, Los Angeles

#### **GROUP EXHIBITIONS**

- 2023 *Next Door*, Yuz Museum, Panlong, Shanghai
- 2022 *Not Me, Not That, Not Nothing Either*, Leslie Lohman Museum of Art New York, New York
- 2020 *20 Years*, Vielmetter Los Angeles, Los Angeles
- 2019 *The Light Touch*, Vielmetter Los Angeles, Los Angeles  
*Eight Ball*, Martos Gallery, New York  
*Throwback Jack*, curated by Amanda Schmitt, Fredericks & Freiser Gallery, New York
- 2018 *A Page from My Intimate Journal (Part I)*, Gordon Robichaux, New York  
*Nothing Will Be As Before*, Tanya Leighton, Berlin
- 2017 *Abstract/Not Abstract*, Moore Building, Art Basel, Miami Beach  
*New Modernism*, Elizabeth Leach Gallery, Portland, OR

- 2016
- Los Angeles – A Fiction*, Aaturp Fearnly Museum of Modern Art, Oslo, Norway
  - OVERPOP*, Yuz Museum, Shanghai
  - Gesture Play*, Simone Subal, New York
  - Flavr Savr*, curated by Alexandra Gaty, The Pit, Los Angeles
  - A Shape That Stands Up*, Hammer Museum and Art + Practice, Los Angeles
  - Wasteland*, curated by Shamin M. Momin, Galerie Thaddeus Ropac, Paris
- 2015
- Artist Theater Program*, with Shannon Ebner, Lauren Fisher, Dylan Mira, Silke Otto-Knapp, Adam Putnam, and Nora Slade, Performa 15, Institute of Contemporary Art, Miami
  - Artist Theater Program*, with Shannon Ebner, Lauren Fisher, Dylan Mira, Silke Otto-Knapp, Adam Putnam, and Nora Slade, Performa 15, Roulette, Brooklyn
  - Bring Your Own Body*, Glass Curtain Gallery at Columbia College, Chicago
  - Bring Your Own Body*, Cooper Union, New York
  - The Answer. The Question*, Artist Curated Projects, Los Angeles
  - No Joke*, curated by Sanya Kantarovsky, Tanya Leighton, Berlin Drawing Biennale 2015, The Drawing Room, London
  - My Own Private Los Angeles*, curated by Math Bass, Artist Curated Projects, Los Angeles
  - Intimate Paintings*, Half Gallery, New York
  - Joshing the Watershed*, Del Vaz Projects, Los Angeles
  - With & Width*, Chapter NY, New York
  - VESTAL VIRGINS*, curated by Sylvie Lake, Lummis House, Los Angeles
- 2014
- Bavarian Fire Drill*, 247365, New York
  - Shit Like Hair*, White Flag Projects, Saint Louis, MI
  - Flex*, Kent Fine Art, New York
  - Another Cats Show*, 356 Mission, Los Angeles
  - New Dawn*, curated by Leidy Churchman, Silberkuppe, Berlin,
  - Duck Soup*, Galerie Nordenhake, Stockholm, Sweden
  - Darren Bader*, Andrew Kreps Gallery, New York
  - Drowning and swallowing this text*, Los Angeles Contemporary Exhibitions, Los Angeles
  - Autograft*, Laurel Gitlen, New York

- 2013  
*Culm*, Night Gallery, Los Angeles  
*356 Sculptures*, 356 Mission, Los Angeles  
*B.B.S.Q.*, Wallspace, New York  
*Cast Recording*, Prism Gallery, Los Angeles  
*P&Co.*, Thomas Duncan Gallery, Los Angeles
- 2012  
*Made in LA*, The Hammer Museum, Los Angeles  
*This is It With It As It Is*, Lora Reynolds Gallery, Austin  
*Il Regalo*, Overduin and Kite, Los Angeles
- 2011  
*Gloria Hole*, The Fire Place Project, East Hampton, NY
- 2010  
*Almost Outline*, 2nd Floor Projects, San Francisco  
*Says I*, Parker Jones Gallery, Los Angeles
- 2009  
*riDYKEu-lous HITS BOTTOM*, Leo Koenig Inc., New York  
*Somethings Gonna Soon*, Artist Production Fun, New York
- 2008  
*Our bodies, our selves*, Montehermosos Cultural Centre, Vitoria-Gasteiz, Spain  
*The Way That We Rhyme*, Yerba Buena Center for the Arts, San Francisco  
*Oceans of Potions*, Pens and Needles, San Francisco
- 2007  
*Shared Women*, Los Angeles Contemporary Exhibitions, Los Angeles  
*The Tent Show*, Nikolaj Contemporary Art Center, Copenhagen
- 2006  
*Not A Marathon, Just a Traffic Jam*, Art in General, New York  
*New Ghost Entertainment Entitled*, Or Gallery, Vancouver, BC, Canada  
*New Ghost Entertainment Entitled*, Stadtische Galerie Kunsthaus, Dresden, Germany  
*Esthetics of Resistance*, CareOf Gallery, Milan, Italy
- 2005  
*Macerate*, Around the Coyote Gallery, Chicago
- 2003  
*Listen Translate Translate Record*, Andrew Kreps, New York  
*Man, I Feel Like A Woman*, Space 1026, Philadelphia

## **PERFORMANCE**

- 2022 *if i could sing you back*, with Eden Batki, Henry Art Gallery, Seattle
- 2017 *Quiet work in session*, with Lauren Davis Fisher, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York
- 2015 Artist Theater Program Performa 15 + The Metropolitan Museum of Art, Roulette, Brooklyn
- 2014 Overduin & Co., Los Angeles  
Artist Theater Program, Experimental Media and Performing Arts Center, Troy, New York  
Paramount Ranch, Malibu, CA  
*Quiet work in session*, with Lauren Davis Fisher, curated by Summery Guthery, Disjecta Contemporary Art Center, Portland
- 2013 *Planets Making Planets*, with Anna Sew Hoy and Claire Kohne, Human Resources, Los Angeles
- 2012 *The Actors Studio*, Wilfred Yang Gallery, Los Angeles  
*Brutal Set*, Hammer Museum, Los Angeles  
*Blasting Voice*, Suzanne Geiss Company, New York
- 2011 *Dogs and Fog*, Overduin and Kite, Los Angeles
- 2010 *Perform Now!*, Human Resources, Los Angeles

## **SCREENINGS and LECTURES**

- 2015 *Coulisse Effect*, Overduin and Kite, Los Angeles
- 2014 *Marmalade Me*, South London Gallery, London

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- 2019 "Larry Pittman with Terry R. Myers," *The Brooklyn Rail*, September.  
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- 2015 Locks. Mia, "The Body is a Location: Math Bass in conversation with Mia Locks", *Art Journal Open*, December 14.  
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 "Initiation", *Art in America*, October.  
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- 2013 Raoli. Martha, "Newz!: Math Bass", *The Miami Rail*, Winter.  
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- 2012 *Made in L.A.*, essay by Amanda Hunt, published by Hammer Museum, Los Angeles.  
 Griffin. Jonathan, "Made in LA 2012", *Frieze*, September.
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*Mixed Signals: Artists Consider Masculinity in Sports*, essay by Julia Bryan Wilson, published by Los Angeles County Museum of Arts, Los Angeles.
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## **PUBLIC COLLECTIONS**

Chrysler Museum of Art, Norfolk, VA  
 Museum of Contemporary Art Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA  
 Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, San Diego, CA  
 Hammer Museum, Los Angeles, CA

Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA  
Yuz Museum, Shanghai, China