

# M I C H E L D R O G E

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## EDUCATION

MFA | Maine College of Art & Design | Portland, ME

BA | Oberlin College | Oberlin, OH

Graphic Arts Certification Program | The Cooper Union | NY, NY

## TEACHING

2022-Bates College | Visiting Assistant Professor in Art and Visual Culture - Foundation Drawing, Art & Social Practice, Printmaking, Painting

2020-2022 University of Maine at Farmington | Visiting Assistant Professor - Print and Activism

2017-2022 Vermont College of Fine Art | MFA Program | Montpelier, VT - Visiting Artist, Lecturer, Studio Professor

2011-2021 Maine College of Art | Portland, ME

Visiting Assistant Professor - Printmaking, Foundations

2011-2016 Southern Maine Community College | South Portland, ME

Adjunct Assistant Professor - Printmaking, Drawing

2009-2010 Maine College of Art, Portland, ME

Continuing Studies Faculty - Pre-College Faculty

## SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2022 Bright Fathoms | University of Maine | Orono, ME

2021 All the Light Below | Cove Street Arts | Portland ME

2020 Michel Droge Deep Sea | The Maine Jewish Museum | Portland, ME (upcoming 2020) 2019

Michel Droge: Art in the Capitol | Augusta ME

2019 Native and Endangered Plants: Maine Audubon Society | Falmouth, ME 2019

Michel Droge: Hiraeth | University of Maine | Machias, ME

2018 Michel Droge; Remembering Tomorrow Press Hotel | Portland, ME

2018 Michel Droge Paintings and Drawings | LA Arts Center | Lewiston, Maine

2017 Michel Droge: Hiraeth | Frank Brockman Gallery | Brunswick, ME

2017 Michel Droge | Elizabeth Moss Galleries | Falmouth, ME

2016 Michel Droge: Nocturnes University of Maine | Farmington, ME

2015 Michel Droge: Tiny Catastrophes | June Fitzpatrick Gallery | Portland, ME 2014

Michel Droge: Chaos | Sacarrappa Artists Collective | Westbrook, ME

## TWO-PERSON EXHIBITIONS

2024 Michel Droge and Carlos Hiller | University of Costa Rica | San Jose Costa Rica

2021 Farm Tools Project | Emery Center | Farmington ME

2020 Farm Tools Project | Maine Farmland Trust | Belfast ME

2019 Life and Times: Photographic Approaches to Nature | University of Maine at Farmington 2018

Michel Droge & Marci Spier: Day Trip | Frank Brockman Gallery | Brunswick, ME

2015 Michel Droge/Michael Shaunessey | Gould Academy | Bethel, ME  
2011 Michel Droge & Rob Lacht | Harlow Gallery | Hallowell, ME

#### SELECTED EXHIBITIONS

2025 Envision Resilience: Shifting Tides & Evolving Landscapes | Space Gallery | Portland, ME  
2025 For the Love of Art | Gallery Artists | Triangle Gallery | Rockland, ME  
2024 Roots and Wings | Seven Collective | Triangle Gallery | Rockland ME  
2023 Frost Museum | Miami, FLA | Artist at Sea Exhibition with Nautilus and Schmidt Ocean Institute  
2023 Art Basel | Miami FLA | Artist-At\_ Sea Exhibition | Schmidt Ocean Institute, Nautilus,  
and Unesco  
2024 The Field Museum | Unseen Oceans | Chicago, IL  
2024 Beyond Midnight | A Multimedia Collaboration with Michel Droge, Asha Tamirisa, Carolina  
Gonzalez Valencia and Tristan Koepke | Bates College | Lewiston, ME  
2024 Transitions | L.C. Bates Museum | Hinckley, ME  
2020 To Unravel the Bind | ICA at MECA | Portland ME  
2019 10,000 Hours | Speedwell Projects | Portland, ME  
2019 Cove Street Arts | Inaugural Exhibition Spotlight Artist | Portland ME  
2019 Rolling Acres Farm First Three Years | Fiore Foundation | Jefferson, ME  
2019 Atmospheric Water | LC Bates Museum | Hinckley, ME  
2019 River Arts Gallery | Damariscotta, ME  
2019 Maine Farmland Trust Gallery | Belfast, ME  
2019 Alumni Exhibition | Joseph Fiore Foundation | Jefferson, ME  
2019 SOAG: Exhibition of Members | Ithaca, NY  
2019 Man Made: A State of Nature | Greenhut Galleries | Portland, ME  
2018 Anthropocenic | Bates College Museum of Art | Lewiston, ME  
2018 Water Bear Confabulum | University of Maine | Farmington, ME  
2017 Maine Woods | L.C. Bates Museum | Hinckley, ME  
2016 Finale June | Fitzpatrick Gallery | Portland, ME  
2015 Absence & Presence | Curry College Gallery | Milton, MA  
2015 Summer Salon | June Fitzpatrick Gallery | Portland, ME  
2014 September Salon | June Fitzpatrick Gallery | Portland, ME  
2014 Sea Smoke | Lewis Gallery PPL | Portland, ME  
2014 Appearances | Provincetown Conservation Association | Provincetown, MA  
2014 Maine Nights: Clear Skies | LC Bates Museum | Hinckley, ME  
2013 Artplaz | Czech Republic | Minsk, Belarus  
2013 SMCC Faculty Exhibition | Rose Contemporary Fine Art Gallery | Portland, ME  
2012 Humanity In Nature | L.C. Bates Museum | Hinckley, ME  
2012 Portes | Space Gallery | Portland, ME  
2012 Portes | Mytilene Public Theater | Mytilene, Greece  
2012 Wet Paint | Zhou B. Gallery | Chicago, IL  
2011 Drawing from The Collection | L.C. Bates Museum | Hinckley, ME  
2011 Joan Mitchell Award Recipients Exhibition | Cue Art Foundation | NY,  
2011 Audition | Aucocisco Gallery | Portland ME  
2011 Visual Poetry | Lewis Gallery, Portland Public Library | Portland, ME  
2010 MFA Thesis Exhibition | ICA Maine College of Art | Portland, ME  
2010 Boston Young Contemporaries | Boston University | Boston, MA  
2008 Members Exhibition | The Ink Shop Printmaker | Ithaca, NY  
2007 Invitational | Smithy-Pioneer Gallery | Cooperstown, NY  
2007 Invitational | Mad Art Gallery | Hamilton, NY

2006 Group Juried Exhibition | The Ninth Street Gallery | Washington, DC  
1996-2000 Annual Member Exhibition | State of The Art Gallery | Ithaca, NY

#### GRANTS / AWARDS

2025 Mellon Foundation | Project Pericles Civic Engagement Teaching Fellowship  
2024 Mellon Foundation | Project Pericles Civic Engagement Teaching Fellowship  
2024 Community Engaged Learning Project Grant | Bates College  
2023 Community Engaged Learning Project Grant | Bates College  
2023 Learning Associates Grant | Bates College | Visiting Scholars  
2022 Bates College Faculty Development Fund Grant | OctoOdyssey | Deep Sea Research  
2020 Maine Arts Commission | Project Grant  
2019 Kindling Fund Grant | Farm Tools Project  
2016 Maine Arts Commission | Project Grant  
2011 Maine Arts Commission | Good Idea Grant  
2010 Joan Mitchell Foundation | MFA Grant  
2009 Albert K. Murray Grant | Fine Arts Scholarship  
2009 Maine College of Art | Scholarly Merit Award  
2010 Maine College of Art | Scholarly Merit Award  
2010 Dean's Scholarship | Maine College of Art

#### RESIDENCIES / FELLOWSHIPS

2026 Joan Mitchell Foundation | Artist Residency | New Orleans June-July  
2025 Maine Environmental Artist Residency | Seguinland Institute | Maine  
2025 Surfpoint Foundation Residency | July 2025  
2024 OSCRI Conference | San Jose Costa Rica | Exhibition and Presentation  
2024 Ocean Sciences Conference | New Orleans, LA | Art and Science Presentation  
2023 Frost Museum | Miami, FLA | Meet the Artist Talk and Panel Discussion  
2023 Schmidt Ocean Institute | Artist-at-Sea | Octopus Odyssey Expedition  
2023 Michel Droge | Artist Talk | University of Maine Orono  
2022 Cove Street Arts | Portland ME Michel Droge and Beth Orcutt  
2021 Ellis- Beauregard Foundation Residency | May 2021  
2019 Lincoln Theatre | Artist Talk | Damariscotta Maine  
2019 Bates College Museum of Art | Anthropocenic | Panel on Sea Level Rise  
2018 Fiore Foundation Fellowship/Residency | Jefferson, ME  
2018 Tides Institute | Fellowship/Residency | Eastport, ME  
2017 Vermont College of Fine Arts | Visiting Artist /Graduate Teacher | Montpelier, VT  
2017 Vermont College of Fine Arts | MFA Program | Artist Teacher | Montpelier, VT  
2017 Stephen Pace House Residency Stonington, ME  
2017 WMPG Interviewed by Andy Versoza | Artist Spotlight  
2017 Wesleyan University | Environmental Art Program | Interviewed by Ariel  
Garber 2016 ICA at MECA | Michel Droge and Doug Varone | Collaboration  
2016 White Head Island Residency | White Head Island, CA  
2016 Vermont College of Fine Arts | MFA Program | Artist Teacher | Montpelier, VT  
2015 Portland Museum of Art | Panelist | Communicating Climate Change  
2014, 2015 Southern Graphics Council | International Member  
2014 Saltonstall Foundation | Winter Residency  
2013 Saltonstall Foundation | Winter Residency  
2013 Vermont Studio Center Fellowship  
2004-2014 The Ink Shop Printmaking Studio | Member

## CURATORIAL PROJECTS

2024 Beyond Midnight | A Multimedia Collaboration with Michel Droge, Asha Tamirisa, Carolina Gonzalez Valencia, and Tristan Koepke | Bates College | Lewiston, ME  
2017 Field Guide Project / Conservation Posters | Maine Audubon Society | Falmouth, ME 2017  
Seven-Artists Collective | Harlow Gallery | Hallowell, ME  
2016 In This Realm: Five Artists Explore Identity and Transformation ICA | Portland, ME  
2016 Seven-Artists Collective | Zero Station Gallery | Portland, ME  
2000-2006 Ithaca Bakery, Ithaca, NY | Branding, Designer and Curator

## PRINTMAKING/DESIGN

1995-2006 Braus and Mehaffey In-House artist and designer | Ithaca, NY 1988-  
1995 Jon Reis Photography | Studio Manager | Ithaca, NY  
1980-1985 Styria Studios | New York, NY  
Master Printer | Etching and Lithography collaboration / editioning with Donald Judd, Robert Rauschenberg, Robert Morris, Alex Katz, Larry Rivers

## PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT AND COMMITTEES

2024 Maine Gun Safety Coalition | Student poster mural and Testimonies  
2023 Local Food Local Places | Poster Mural | Lisbon Street | Lewiston ME  
2019 Maine Audubon Society | Native Plants | year-long cyanotype project 2017  
Maine Audubon Society | Field Guide Project | Conservation Posters 2017  
Visiting Artist Committee | Maine College of Art  
2017 Diversity Committee | Maine College of Art  
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2016 Diversity Committee | Maine College of Art  
2016 Maine Audubon Society | Conservation Poster Project  
2015 Island Institute | Climate Change & Maine Island Communities  
2014 Island Institute | Climate Change & Maine Island Communities

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2023 | Schmidt Ocean Institute | <https://schmidtocean.org/cruise-log-post/art-science-with-octopus-odyssey/>  
2023 | Bates College News | <https://www.bates.edu/news/2023/08/25/bates-professor-michel-droge-paints-the-ocean-depths-and-discovers-an-octopus-nursery/>  
2023 | Substack | Elyse Hauser  
<https://notesfromthedeep.substack.com/p/the-sublime-beauty-and-also-terror>  
2022 | Loftus, Sarah and Droge, Michel | The Farm Tools Project | <https://space538.org/artist/kindling-fund/farm-tools-project/>  
2021 | The Portland Press Herald | Mysteries of the Deep Sea | Arango, Jorge  
<https://www.pressherald.com/2021/10/31/art-review-delve-into-the-mysteries-of-the-universe-at-maine-jewish-museum/>  
  
2021 | Little, Carl | Records of Existence: “Marks and Tracks” at the L.C. Bates Museum - The Maine Arts Journal: The UMVA Quarterly <https://maineartsjournal.com/carl-little-records-of-existence-marks->

[and-tracks-at-the-l-c-bates museum/](#)

2021 True to Form | Arango, Jorge | Portland Press Herald <https://www.pressherald.com/2021/01/10/art-review-true-to-form-june-fitzpatrick-puts-together-wide-ranging-show/>

2020 Michel Droge and Sarah Loftus: Farm Tools Project

<https://www.pressherald.com/2020/01/14/space-gallery-awards-grants-to-15-art-projects-aimed-at-change/>

2019 Cove St. Arts | A Game Changer for Greenhut Owners

[https://www.pressherald.com/2019/07/14/art-review-cove-street-gallery-a-game-changer-for Greenhut-owners/](https://www.pressherald.com/2019/07/14/art-review-cove-street-gallery-a-game-changer-for-greenhut-owners/)

2018 Low, Bill | Michel Droge Paintings and Drawings at LA Arts In Lewiston Maine

<http://www.sunjournal.com/la-arts-gallery-to-exhibit-works-by-michel-droge/>

2019 Kany, Dan | Cove Street: Game Changer for Green Hut Owners Portland Press Herald

[https://www.pressherald.com/2019/07/14/art-review-cove-street-gallery-a-game-changer-for Greenhut-owners/](https://www.pressherald.com/2019/07/14/art-review-cove-street-gallery-a-game-changer-for-greenhut-owners/)

2018 Kany, Dan | Day Trip | Portland Press Herald

2017 Kany, Dan | Differing Styles But Painters Start a Conversation About Van Gogh: Michel Droge, Liz Hoag and John Knight. 10/1/17

2017 Schroeder, Nick | The Work of Unraveling — Michel Droge's Powerful 'Hiraeth' The Portland Phoenix 8/22/17

2017 The Maine Journal of Conservation and Sustainability: SPIRE

2017 Michel Droge | Tiny Catastrophes. 2017

2015 Kany, Daniel | Michel Droge Show Invites You to Feel for Yourself The Portland Press Herald 4/12/2015

2015 Konau, Britta | It All Adds Up: Michel Droge's Tiny Catastrophes Matter | The Portland Phoenix 4 /15/2015

2014 Kany, Dan | Sea Smoke at the Portland Public Library | The Portland Press Herald 5/25/2014

2012 Kany, Dan | At L.C.Bates Romantics Run Happily Amok | The Portland Press Herald

2011 Shaw, Cameron | The Work of Jon Lee, Cobi Moules, Eric Kniss, Ashley Shellhaus and Michel Droge Catalogue for the Cue Art Foundation 6/1/2011

2010 Schroeder, Nicholas | Thesis Defense | The Boston Phoenix 5/26/10

2010 Schroeder, Nicholas | A Cornucopia of Art at Aucosico | The Portland Phoenix 11/2/10