

Sharon Switzer

Canadian, b. 1966

Sharon Switzer is a media artist and urban screens curator/programmer based in Toronto. She taught new media and visual art in Ontario universities for eight years, and is the Founder and Director of the Toronto Urban Film Festival (TUFF).

Education

- Canadian Film Centre, Habitat Interactive Art and Entertainment Program (Media Lab), Toronto, Canada **2005-2006**
- MFA, University of Western Ontario, London, Ontario, Canada **1995-1997**
- BFA, Otis Art Institute, Los Angeles, CA, USA **1985-1990**

Galleries

- www.corkingallery.com
- www.circuitgallery.com

Selected Solo Exhibitions

- *Nearly Present*, Corkin Gallery, Toronto, Canada **2012**
- *I Should be Dreaming of Butterflies*, public video projection as part of Halifax Independent Filmmakers Festival, Halifax, Canada **2011**
- *I Should be Dreaming of Butterflies*, Corkin Gallery, Toronto **2009**
- *Falling from Grace*, McMaster Museum of Art, Hamilton, Canada **2007**
- *Video Works*, McMaster Museum of Art, Hamilton, Canada **2006**
- *Falling from Grace*, Corkin Shopland Gallery, Toronto, Canada **2006**
- *Fortunate*, AKA Gallery, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada **2004**
- *Shadow Play*, Artcite, Windsor, Canada **2003**
- *Shadow Play*, TRUCK Gallery, Calgary, Canada **2002**
- *Fortunate* (part of TRIP), Red Head Gallery, Toronto, Canada **2002**
- *Shadow Play*, The Koffler Gallery, Toronto, Canada **2001**
- *Child's Play*, Hartnett Gallery, University of Rochester, Rochester, USA **2001**
- *Time-out*, Red Head Gallery, Toronto, Canada **2001**
- *Doubled Over*, David Scott Gallery, Toronto, Canada **1999**
- *Pulling through*, Garnet Press Gallery, Toronto, Canada **1997**
- *Touch Through*, The Palace at 4am, London, Canada **1996**

Selected Group Exhibitions

- *Warm Ice*, Art Gallery of Peterborough, curated by Carla Garnet, Peterborough, Canada **2010**
- *I Should be Dreaming of Butterflies*, public video projection as part the CFC Media Lab's Nuit Blanche exhibition, Toronto, Canada **2010**
- *Paved Paradise*, Luminato, Toronto Festival of Arts and Creativity, Toronto, Canada **2007**
- *Oh, You Beautiful Doll*, Andrea Meislin Gallery, New York, USA **2006**
- *18 Illuminations: Contemporary Art and Light*, touring exhibition: Tom Thomson Memorial Art Gallery, Winnipeg Art Gallery, St Mary's University Art Gallery in Halifax, the University of Waterloo Art Gallery, the Art Gallery of Peterborough, and the Robert McLaughlin Gallery in Oshawa. **2005/07**

Selected Group Exhibitions - continued

- *Shhhh!*, ArtLab Gallery, UWO, London, Canada **2004**
- *First Person*, curated by Kim Simon, Mercer Union, Toronto, Canada **2003**
- *Search*, Open Studio, Toronto, Canada **2000**
- *25*, curated by Kim Fullerton/Kelly McCray, 469 King St., Toronto **1999**
- *Out of the Frame*, 624 Richmond St., West, Toronto, Canada **1999**
- *Pseudonyms & Similarities*, Mercer Union, Toronto, Canada **1997**
- *Proclaimed*, curated by James Patten, Museum London, Canada **1997**

Selected Press/Scholarship/Publications

- Vaughn, R.M., "All Sharon Switzer Needs is a Comfy Freudian Couch," *Globe & Mail*, March 30, **2012**
- De Franco, Luca, "Headspace: Sharon Switzer, Pattison Onestop Media," *Spacing Magazine*, February 16, **2012**
- "Barbara Astman and Sharon Switzer at the Corkin Gallery," *The Globe and Mail*, December 5, **2009**
- Gerlis, Melanie, "Moving Images Hard to Shift," *The Art Newspaper*, Art Basel daily edition, June 14, **2007**
- Chung, Matthew, "Not just a ride from point A to B," *The Toronto Star*, June 8, **2007**
- Sykes, Claire L., "Mining for Gold," *AFTERIMAGE*, 34.6, **2007**, p. 20-21
- McMaster Museum of Art, Catalogue: Sharon Switzer: Falling from Grace, Nov. **2006**
- Fullerton, Kim, "If your heart is in your dreams," *Xtra!*, No424, Jan. 25, **2004**
- Andreae, Janice, "Playing with Shadows," *MIX*, Vol28, Num1, Summer **2002**
- Dault, G. M., "Sue Lloyd and Sharon Switzer..." *Globe & Mail*, May 11, **2002**
- Dault, G. M., "Sharon Switzer: Shadow Play," *D'ART Magazine*, July **2001**
- Gauthier, Bernard, "Sharon Switzer," (interview/story), *Bravo! News*, May **2001**
- Fast Forward, *Canadian Art*, Vol 16, Num 3, Fall **1999**
- Hume Christopher, "Photos make Contact," *The Toronto Star*, April 29, **1999**