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Kiki Smith

The American artist Kiki Smith was born Chiara Smith in 1954 in Nuremberg, Germany. Today she lives and works in New York. Her mother, Jane Lawrence, was an opera singer and actor and her father was the minimalist sculptor, Tony Smith. In 1976, she moved to New York, frequenting the rock music and artistic worlds. Since the 1980s, she has been known for her multidisciplinary art work incorporating sculptures, etchings, photography, drawings, books, tapestries and a variety of objects.

One of the characteristics of her work is the representation of the human body, and particularly the anatomy and outline of the female body. Sometimes, this outline is shown at a disturbing angle, or is altered or fragmented. In reference to this, in the catalogue of the exhibition at the Musée des Beaux-Arts de Montreal (Kiki Smith, 1996) Christine Ross wrote, "Observing the work of Kiki Smith is to be confronted with a body that is bold but no longer manages to operate as a whole." Since the mid-1990s, her research has expanded into the cosmos and mythology; in her works and installations she now combines animality and fairy tales, simultaneously suggesting wonderment and horror.

Kiki Smith has been the subject of a number of exhibitions around the world. In 2003, the *Prints, Books and Things* exhibitions at the MoMA in New York played an important role in her career. Then between 2005 and 2007, the travelling exhibition, *Kiki Smith: A Gathering*, was presented successively at the MOMA in San Francisco, the Walker Art Center in Minneapolis, the Contemporary Arts Museum in Houston and the Whitney Museum in New York. In 2019, she was the focus of a number of one-man shows: at the Monnaie in Paris, at the Sara Hilden Art Museum in Tampere, at the Belvedere Museum in Vienna, the Palazzo Pitti in Florence, the Modern Art Oxford and the Centre de la gravure in La Louvière. Her work has been presented at five Venice Biennales.

Exhibitions

Solo shows

2020

Hearing You with My Eyes, Musée cantonal des Beaux-Arts, Lausanne, Switzerland

2019

Procession, Sarah Hilden Art Museum, Tampere, Finland

What I saw on the road, Palazzo Pitti, Florence, Italy

Touch. Prints by Kiki Smith, Staatliche Graphische Sammlung, Munich, Germany

Kiki Smith: Memory, Deste Foundation for Contemporary Art, Athens, Greece

Procession, Belvedere, Vienna, Austria

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Entre chien et loup, Centre de la gravure et de l'image imprimée, La Louvière, Belgium

Kiki Smith, Monnaie de Paris, Paris, France

Homecoming, Galerie Lelong & Co., Paris, France

Kiki Smith: I am a Wanderer, Modern Art Oxford, Oxford, United Kingdom

Murmur, Pace Gallery, New York, United States

2018

Procession, Haus der Kunst, Munich, Germany

Frequency, Krakow Witkin Gallery, Boston, United States

Reflection, Barbara Gross Galerie, Munich, Germany

Below the Horizon: Kiki Smith at Eldridge, Museum at Eldridge Street, New York, United States

2017

Selections from the Jacquard Tapestry Series, Robischon Gallery, Denver, United States

Shelter, Galerie Lelong & Co., Paris, France

Quest, Galleria Raffaella Cortese, Milan, Italy

Mortal, Dallas Contemporary, Dallas, United States

From the Creek, Thomas Cole National Historic Site, Catskill, New York, United States

Breath, Palau de la Música Catalana, Barcelona, Spain

2016

Woven Tales, Peters Projects, Santa Fe, United States

2015

Kiki Smith, St Petri in Dortmund, Dortmund, Germany

Arena, Mike Karstens, Münster, Germany

2013

Meravigliosa Creatura, Fondazione Merz, Turin, Italy

Mortal, Memorial Art Gallery of the University of Rochester, Rochester, United States

2012

Visionary Sugar: Works By Kiki Smith, Neuberger Museum of Art, Purchase, United States

I Myself Have Seen It: Photography and Kiki Smith, SMOCA, Scottsdale, United States

Catching Shadows, Galerie Lelong, Paris, France

2011

I Myself Have Seen It: Photography and Kiki Smith, Mary & Leigh Block Museum of Art, Evanston, United States

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- 2010
Sojourn, Brooklyn Museum of Art, New York, United States
Mortal, Galerie Lelong, Paris, France
Color Still, , Colle di Val d'Elsa, Italy
- 2009
Her memory, Fundació Joan Miró, Barcelona, Spain
Kiki Smith, Galerie Lelong, Zürich, Switzerland
- 2008
Her Home, Museen Haus Lange / Haus Esters, Krefeld, Germany
Neue Arbeiten, Kunsthalle Nürnberg, Nuremberg, Germany
Touch of the Eye/Look of the Hand, Weatherspoon Art Museum, Greensboro, United States
- 2007
Constellation, The Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art, Kansas City, United States
Wellspring, Galerie Lelong, Paris, France
- 2006
A Gathering 1980 - 2005, Walker Art Center, Minneapolis, United States
Kiki Smith, Contemporary Art Museum Houston (CAMH), Houston, United States
A Gathering 1980 - 2005, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, United States
- 2005
Prints & Things, Galerie Lelong, Paris, France
Homespun Tales. Stories of home occupation, Fondazione Querini Stampalia, Venice, Italy
A Cautionary Tale, Berggruen Gallery, San Francisco, United States
A Gathering, 1980-2005, San Francisco Museum of Modern Art (SFMOMA), San Francisco, United States
- 2003
Near, Galerie Lelong, Zürich, Switzerland
Prints, Books, and Things, Museum of Modern Art (MoMA), New York, United States
- 2002
Homework, The Fabric Workshop and Museum, Philadelphia, United States
- 2001
Telling Tales, International Center of Photography (ICP), New York, United States
Kiki Smith, Galerie M + R Fricke, Düsseldorf, Germany

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Photographs - A Looking at Native American Beadwork and Baskets, Fisher Landau Center For Art, New York, United States

2000

REALM, Berggruen Gallery, San Francisco, United States

Kiki Smith, Kukje Gallery, Seoul, Republic of Korea

1999

Recent Photographic Work, List Visual Arts Center (LVAC), Cambridge, United States

Kiki Smith, Indianapolis Museum of Art (IMA), Indianapolis, United States

Works with Paper by Kiki Smith, Saint Louis Art Museum, Saint Louis, United States

Zetwenden—Rubblick und Ausblick, Kunstmuseum, Bonn, Germany

Zetwenden—Rubblick und Ausblick, Museum Moderner Kunst Stiftung Ludwig, Vienna, Austria

1998

Convergence, Irish Museum of Modern Art (IMMA), Dublin, Ireland

Directions—Kiki Smith - Night, Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden, Washington, United States

all creatures great and small, Kestnergesellschaft, Hannover, Germany

Photographs 1997-98, Galerie M + R Fricke, Berlin, Germany

1997

Kiki Smith, The Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth, Fort Worth, United States

1996

Kiki Smith, The Montreal Museum of Fine Arts, Montreal, Canada

1995

Untitled, Galerie M + R Fricke, Düsseldorf, Germany

1994

Über-Leben, Bonner Kunstverein, Bonn, Germany

1993

Kiki Smith, Galerie M + R Fricke, Düsseldorf, Germany

1992

The Body Electric: Zizi Raymond and Kiki Smith, The Corcoran Gallery of Art, Washington, United States

Kiki Smith, Moderna Museet, Stockholm, Sweden

Kiki Smith, Bonner Kunstverein, Bonn, Germany

Unfolding the Body, The Rose Art Museum, Waltham, United States

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1991

Projects 24: Kiki Smith, Museum of Modern Art (MoMA), New York, United States

Kiki Smith / MATRIX 142, Berkeley Art Museum and Pacific Film Archive (BAM/PFA), Berkeley, United States

1986

Kiki Smith, MoMA PS1, New York, United States

Group shows

2020

TRANSFORMACIONES - Mujeres artistas entre dos siglos, Fundación CajaCanarias, Santa Cruz de Tenerife, Spain

2019

Jaume Plensa - Kiki Smith - Barthélémy Toguo, Galerie Lelong & Co., Paris, France

2018

Die Kraft der Alters, Belvedere, Vienna, Austria

J'Avignon The artists and the Collection Lambert, Collection Lambert, Avignon, France

250th Summer Exhibition, Royal Academy of Art, London, United Kingdom

2017

LOOK! New Acquisitions/Neuerwerbungen., Albertina, Vienna, Austria

2016

Flying over the Abyss, Thessaloniki Centre of Contemporary Art, Thessaloniki, Greece

The Other: Nurturing A New Ecology In Printmaking, Museum of Contemporary Art Jacksonville (MOCA), Jacksonville, United States

Art Aids America, Zuckerman Museum of Art, Kennesaw, United States

The Natural Order of Things, Museo Jumex, Mexico City, Mexico

Everybody is crazy, but me, Maison Particulière, Brussels, Belgium

Medicine in Art, Museum of Contemporary Art in Kraków (MOC AK), Krakow, Poland

Quand fondra la neige, où ira le blanc, Palazzo Fortuny, Venice, Italy

Embracing the Contemporary: The Keith L. and Katherine Sachs Collection, Philadelphia Museum of Art, Philadelphia, United States

2015

A Secret Affair, FLAG Art Foundation, New York, United States

Vienna for art's Sake, Belvedere, Vienna, Austria

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River Crossings: Contemporary Art Comes Home, The Olana Partnership, Hudson, United States

Destination Unknown, Talley Dunn Gallery, Dallas, United States

2014

Lens-Based Sculpture, Kunstmuseum Liechtenstein, Vaduz, Liechtenstein

450° Michelangelo Mindcraft, Chiesa e Convento di Sant'Agostino, Pietrasanta, Italy

Trio, Galerie Lelong, Paris, France

2013

Kiki Smith. Seton Smith. Tony Smith, Kunstmuseum Liechtenstein, Vaduz, Liechtenstein

Les Papesses, Collection Lambert, Avignon, France

Witches & Wicked Bodies, Scottish National Gallery of Modern Art, Edinburgh, United Kingdom

2012

La commande contemporaine à la chalcographie du Louvre, Musée du Louvre, Paris, France

2011

elles@centrepompidou, artistes femmes dans les collections du Centre Pompidou, Centre Pompidou, Paris, France

Pictures by Women: A History of Modern Photography, Museum of Modern Art (MoMA), New York, United States

El intervalo luminoso: The D.Daskalopoulos Collection, Museo Guggenheim de Arte Moderno y Contemporáneo, Bilbao, Spain

As Long As It Lasts..., Arratia Beer, Berlin, Germany

Femininity 0.1, Maison Particulière Art Center, Brussels, Belgium

2010

The Artist as Image, Princeton University Art Museum, Princeton, United States

Keeping it Real: An Exhibition in Four Acts: Act 1: The Corporeal, Whitechapel Art Gallery, London, United Kingdom

2009

Pulling from History: The Old Masters, The Print Center, Philadelphia, United States

Un plan simple 3/3 (Écran), Maison populaire de Montreuil, Montreuil, France

2008

Addicted to Paper, Galerie Lelong, Zürich, France

Zerbrechliche Schönheit, Glas im Blick der Kunst, Museum Kunstpalast, Düsseldorf, Germany

Medieval to Modern, The National Gallery of Art, Washington, United States

A Year in Drawing, Galerie Lelong, New York, United States

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- 2007
Making a Mark: Four Contemporary Artists in Print, Yale University Art Gallery, New Haven, United States
Fairy Tale, The New Art Gallery Walsall, Walsall, United Kingdom
Die Kunst zu Sammeln, Museum Kunstpalast, Düsseldorf, Germany
- 2006
The OJAC Celebrates Rembrandt's 400th Birthday, The Old Jail Art Center, Albany, United States
DEFINING THE CONTEMPORARY, Whitechapel Art Gallery, London, United Kingdom
- 2004
Nancy Spero and Kiki Smith, BALTIC Centre for Contemporary Art, Gateshead, United Kingdom
- 2003
The Smiths - Tony, Kiki, Seton, The Palm Beach Institute of Contemporary Art (PBICA), Lake Worth, United States
Warum! Bilder diesseits und jenseits des Menschen, Martin-Gropius-Bau, Berlin, Germany
- 2002
Cross References: -Celebrating the Stuart Collection, Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego - MCASD, La Jolla, United States
- 2001
Import, Irish Museum of Modern Art (IMMA), Dublin, Ireland
- 2000
Zeitwenden - Rückblick und Ausblick, Kunstmuseum Bonn, Bonn, Germany
Zeitwenden, Museum Moderner Kunst Stiftung Ludwig (MUMOK), Vienna, Austria
- 1999
Reality and Desire, Fundación Joan Miró, Barcelona, Spain
- 1998
THE PATCHETT COLLECTION, Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego - MCASD, La Jolla, United States
- 1997
AUGENZEUGEN. DIE SAMMLUNG HANCK, Papierarbeiten der 80er und 90er Jahre, Museum Kunstpalast, Düsseldorf, Germany
- 1996
Féminin-masculin: Le sexe de l'art, Centre Pompidou, Paris, France

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1995
Some went mad, some ran away ..., Museum of Contemporary Art Chicago (MCA), Chicago, United States

1994
Some Went Mad, Some Ran Away, Serpentine Gallery, London, United Kingdom

1993
Dissent, Difference and the Body Politic, Ben Maltz Gallery, Los Angeles, United States

1992
More than One Photography: Works since 1980 from the Collection, Museum of Modern Art (MoMA), New York, United States

Désordres, Jeu de Paume, Paris, France

Post Human, Castello di Rivoli Museo d'Arte Contemporanea, Turin, Italy

1991
The Body, The Renaissance Society, Chicago, United States

1988
Contemporary Print Acquisitions, 1986–1988, Museum of Modern Art (MoMA), New York, United States

Biennials

2017
57th Venice Biennale - Viva Arte Viva, La Biennale di Venezia, Venice, Italy

2008
XIII Biennale Internazionale di Scultura di Carrara, Comune di Carrara, Carrara, Italy

2005
Homespun Tales. Storie di occupazione domestica, Fondazione Querini Stampalia, 51st Biennale di Venezia, Venice, Italy

2003
Echigo-Tsumari Art Triennial 2003, Echigo-Tsumari Art Triennial, Niigata-Ken, Japan

2002
Whitney Biennial 2002, Whitney Biennial, New York, United States
La Biennale de Montréal 2002, Biennale de Montréal, Montreal, Canada

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1995

46th International Art Exhibition Venice Biennale / Biennale di Venezia, La Biennale di Venezia, Venice, Italy

1993

Whitney Biennial, Whitney Biennial, New York, United States

Public collections

ALTANA Kulturstiftung im Sinclair-Haus, Bad Homburg, Germany

Museum Folkwang, Essen, Germany

Galerie für Zeitgenössische Kunst (GfZK), Leipzig, Germany

Städtisches Museum Abteiberg, Mönchengladbach, Germany

The Walther Collection, Neu-Ulm, Germany

Queensland Art Gallery / Gallery of Modern Art, Brisbane, Australia

Centre de la Gravure et de l'Image imprimée, La Louvière, Belgium

Museo de Arte Contemporáneo de Castilla y León (MUSAC), León, Spain

ARTIUM - Basque Museum Center of Contemporary Art, Vitoria-Gasteiz, Spain

Akron Art Museum, Akron, United States

Tamarind Institute, Albuquerque, United States

Hessel Museum of Art & Center for Curatorial Studies Galleries at Bard College, Annandale-on-Hudson, United States

The High Museum of Art, Atlanta, United States

Bowdoin College Museum of Art, Brunswick, United States

Albright-Knox Art Gallery, Buffalo, United States

Columbia Museum of Art, Columbia, United States

The Warehouse, Dallas, United States

Des Moines Art Center, Des Moines, United States

Mary & Leigh Block Museum of Art, Evanston, United States

Fort Wayne Museum of Art (FWMoA), Fort Wayne, United States

The Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth, Fort Worth, United States

North Dakota Museum of Art, Grand Forks, United States

Weatherspoon Art Museum, Greensboro, United States

Honolulu Museum of Art, Honolulu, United States

Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland, United States

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MOCA Grand Avenue, Los Angeles, United States
Milwaukee Art Museum (MAM), Milwaukee, United States
Montclair Art Museum, Montclair, United States
Vanderbilt University Fine Arts Gallery, Nashville, United States
Exit Art, New York, United States
Fisher Landau Center For Art, New York, United States
Museum of Modern Art (MoMA), New York, United States
Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York, United States
Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, United States
The Newark Museum, Newark, United States
Fred Jones Jr. Museum of Art, Norman, United States
Allen Memorial Art Museum, Oberlin, United States
The Fabric Workshop and Museum, Philadelphia, United States
Portland Art Museum, Portland, United States
Neuberger Museum of Art, Purchase, United States
Saint Louis University Museum of Art (SLUMA), Saint Louis, United States
The McNay Art Museum, San Antonio, United States
Broad Contemporary Art Museum, Santa Monica, United States
Mount Holyoke College Art Museum, South Hadley, United States
The William Benton Museum of Art, Storrs, United States
The Rose Art Museum, Waltham, United States
Colby College Museum of Art, Waterville, United States
Williams College Museum of Art, Williamstown, United States
FRAC des Pays de la Loire, Carquefou, France
Musée Départemental d'Art Contemporain de Rochechouart, Rochechouart, France
Irish Museum of Modern Art (IMMA), Dublin, Ireland
The Israel Museum, Jerusalem, Israel
MAXXI - Museo nazionale delle arti del XXI secolo, Rome, Italy
Museo d'Arte Moderna e Contemporanea di Trento e Rovereto (MART), Rovereto, Italy
Tochigi Prefectural Museum of Fine Arts, Tochigi, Japan
Osten Museum of Drawing, Skopje, Macedonia
Museo Jumex, Mexico City, Mexico
Cass Sculpture Foundation, Chichester, United Kingdom

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Tate Britain, London, United Kingdom

Moderna Museet, Stockholm, Sweden

UBS Art Collection, Zürich, Switzerland

Fondation Louis Vuitton, Paris, France