

HEATHER ROBYN MOLECKE

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EDUCATION

Doctor of Design (DDes), Doctoral Candidate

Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA

2023 – 2026

Master of Fine Arts (MFA), Sculpture

Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA

2016 – 2019

Bachelor of Arts (BA), Sculpture

Cleveland State University, Cleveland, OH

2013 – 2016

Associate of Arts (AA), Studio Arts

Cuyahoga Community College (TRI-C), Cleveland, OH

2010 – 2013

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Instructor: Louisiana State University

Baton Rouge, LA | 2023 – Present

Design Foundations

- Teach first-year design curriculum emphasizing visual literacy, form, and material intelligence
- Lead critiques, demonstrations, and process-based learning
- Develop innovative assignments integrating digital and analog methods
- Support student development across diverse learning styles

Instructor: Beck Center for the Arts

Lakewood, OH | 2022 – Present

Ceramics, Sculpture, Art Discovery

- Teach wheel throwing, hand building, sculpture, and mixed-media courses

- Facilitate community arts programming for adults, teens, and children

Instructor: Art House, Inc.

Cleveland, OH | 2021 – Present

- Ceramics instruction
- K–8 general art classes
- Summer art camps (ARTchaeology, Trash to Treasure)
- Community-engaged arts education

Instructor: Cleveland State University

Cleveland, OH | 2020 – 2023

- Introduction to Sculpture
- Intermediate Sculpture
- Advanced Sculpture
- Conceptual Art

Instructor: Louisiana State University

Baton Rouge, LA | 2019 – 2020

- Introduction to Sculpture
- 3D Foundations

Lab Technician: Louisiana State University

Baton Rouge, LA | 2019 – 2020

- Managed sculpture facilities, equipment, inventory, and student workers
- Oversaw safety protocols, tool room operations, and ordering

Graduate Assistant / Teacher of Record: Louisiana State University

Baton Rouge, LA | 2016 – 2019

- Instructor for 3D Foundations and Introduction to Sculpture
- Assisted in welding, metal casting, and advanced sculpture courses
- Managed supply rooms and studio operations

Wood Shop Assistant: Louisiana State University

Baton Rouge, LA | 2016 – 2019

- Maintained woodworking machinery
- Conducted shop safety tests
- Trained students and faculty in equipment use

Intern: The Sculpture Center

Cleveland, OH | 2015 – 2016

- Art handling
- Installation
- Fundraising
- Web and social media support

Gallery Committee Student Representative: Cleveland State University

Cleveland, OH | 2015 – 2016

- Participated in curatorial decisions and exhibition planning

Sculpture Teaching Assistant: Cleveland State University

Cleveland, OH | 2014 – 2016

Ceramic Teaching Assistant: Cleveland State University

Cleveland, OH 2014 - 2015

Art Gallery Technician: The Galleries at CSU

Cleveland, OH | 2014 – 2016

SOLO EXHIBITIONS**2026 (Scheduled)**

Rescued Relics, Barnes Ogden Gallery, Baton Rouge, LA

2025

What the Objects Know, LSU Sculpture Gallery, Baton Rouge, LA

2024

Existential Crisis, The Lost and Found Studio, Cleveland, OH

2024

The Single Shoe Museum, The Peanut Gallery, Baton Rouge, LA

2023

Objects and Agency, Art House Gallery, Cleveland, OH

2019

So Long, Sinkhole City!, Glassell Gallery, Baton Rouge, LA

2016

The Killing Jar, The Chamber, Cleveland, OH

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2025

Visual Arts Exhibition, Hoffman-Stach Gallery, Lakewood, OH

2025

Theraoke, The Lost and Found Studio, Cleveland, OH

2024

Visual Arts Exhibition, Hoffman-Stach Gallery, Lakewood, OH

2023

Queer Art Show, The Art Collective Gallery, Cleveland, OH

2023

Faculty Show, Hoffman-Stach Gallery, Lakewood, OH

2022

The Great Escape Artist, Wave Space Gallery, Cleveland, OH

2022

Plastigene and Other Stories of the Planet, Union Art Gallery, Baton Rouge, LA

2021

Art and Music, Hildebrandt Building, Cleveland, OH

2021

Halloween in July, The Art Collective Gallery, Cleveland, OH

2021

Art & Agency 2, SculptureX Symposium, Pittsburgh, PA

2020

Creep Up, Up Arts Incubator, Lansdale, PA

2019

Distinguished Alumni Invitational Show, The Galleries at CSU, Cleveland, OH

2019

1405 Square Feet, Residential Gallery, Baton Rouge, LA

2018

Political Moments in a Time Capsule, (A collaboration with Carrie Mae Weems), LSU

2018

Graduate Student Show, LSU Studio Building, Baton Rouge, LA

2017

Passion Fruit, Foster Gallery, Baton Rouge, LA

2016

Covfefe, Foster Gallery, Baton Rouge, LA

2016

The Merit Scholar Exhibition, The Galleries at CSU, Cleveland, OH

2015

United Nonsense, Artcraft Building, Cleveland, OH

2015

After The Pedestal, Sculpture Center, Cleveland, OH

PERFORMANCE

2025

Keep Scrolling, Barnes Ogden Gallery, Baton Rouge, LA

2025

The Singing Vessel, LSU Sculpture Gallery, Baton Rouge, LA

2022

The Odd Ball, The Lost and Found Studio, Cleveland, OH

2020

Life on Mars, Queeramics, Baton Rouge, LA

2019

Dread Scott's Slave Rebellion Reenactment, New Orleans, LA

2018

What it Means to be Human, The Black Box Theater, Baton Rouge, LA

SELECTED AWARDS AND HONORS

2025

International Academic Forum (IAFOR) Conference on Arts & Humanities Acceptance

Competitive peer-reviewed selection, Honolulu, HI

2023–Present

Graduate Assistantship: LSU School of Art

Full tuition remission and stipend

2023–2025

Graduate Academic Honors: LSU

4.0 GPA during doctoral coursework

2021

Satellite Fund, The Andy Warhol Foundation and SPACES

2020

Cuyahoga Cares Art Grant

2016–2019

Graduate Assistantship, LSU

2016

Undergraduate Research Grant, CSU

2015 - 2016

Merit Scholarship, CSU

ARTIST LECTURES

2026: IAFOR International Conference on Arts & Humanities, Honolulu, HI (Scheduled)

2025: LSU Sculpture Gallery

2024: The Peanut Gallery

2023: Lost and Found Studio

2022: The Sculpture Center

2019–2015: Multiple academic and gallery talks

SKILL SUMMARY

Digital and Software

Microsoft 365, Blackboard, Moodle, Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign, Premiere, iMovie, AudioLab, GarageBand, TinkerCAD, SketchUp, MakerBot, laser cutters, 3D Printer...

Metalworking

MIG/TIG welding, plasma cutting, brazing, casting, forging

Woodworking

Hand tools, power tools, lathes, saws, machine maintenance

Mold Making

Silicone, plaster, investment molds, ceramic shell, sand molds

Ceramics

Wheel throwing, hand building, glaze formulation, kiln operation and maintenance

Additional Skills

Performance, installation, sound and lighting...

REFERENCES

Available upon request.