# **Amanda Beech**

#### Education

2003	PhD. Fine Art, Goldsmiths College, University of London.
1998	M.A. Fine Art, Goldsmiths College, University of London.
1996	B.A. (Hons) Fine Art, Class 1, University of Newcastle Upon Tyne.

# Screenings

2019	Critical Distance, Toronto, Canada.
2018	We Never Close, SciARC, Los Angeles
2017	Middlesborough Art Weekender, UK. We Never Close.
2015	Yarnwork, Bergen Kunsthall, Bergen, Norway, February. Falk.
2014	Residency review. Screening of selected works, Marfa, Fieldwork.
2013	Tegel: Speculations and Propositions, Site Gallery, Sheffield. Screening:
	You are Propelled Forward By the Vacuum in Front of You, Amanda Beech
	& Diann Bauer.

#### Solo Exhibitions

2019	Covenant Transport Move or Die, SAW Video, Knot project Space, Ottowa, Canada
	Cause and Effect, Artericambi, Verona, Italy.
2017	This Time, Online video commission, Remai Modern Museum, Canada.
2016	Covenant Transport Move or Die, Baltic Center for Contemporary Art,
	Gateshead, Northumberland, UK. Oct 20th 2016 -Jan 29th 2017
2014	All Obstructing Walls Have Been Broken Down, Catalyst Arts Belfast, with publication.
	Everything Has led to this Moment, Xero, Kline, Coma, London, UK.
	Interstate. Material Press, on-line exhibit, USA.
2013	Final Machine, Lanchester Gallery Projects, Coventry, UK, with publication.

#### Selected Group Exhibitions

Serec	ted Group Exhibitions
2019	Snow Crash, IMT Gallery, London, curated by Kirsten Cooke.
2017	Propositions for a Stage: 24 Frames of a Beautiful Heaven, Lasalle
	Institute of Contemporary Art, curated by Bridget Crone.
2016	<b>Neocentric,</b> as part of Vienna Calling, curated by Bassam El Baroni,
	Charim Gallery, Vienna, Austria.
	Radical Praxes, A Political Idiom, Group exhibit, Nationalmuseum Berlin,
	Germany, curated by Matthew Burbidge.
2015	Politics of Amnesia 2 Café Gallery, London
	Speculative Aesthetics, Tate Britain, London
	Beirut City Forum, Ashkal Alwan, Beirut Lebanon
	Speculative Aesthetics, Tate Britain, May, exhibiting Predators and Pests
	(with D Bauer and screening Statecraft)
2014	Agitationism, EVA international, Irish Biennial. Limerick, Ireland curated by
	Bassam El Baroni.
	<b>A'venir, Looking Forward,</b> Montreal Biennale, Montreal, Canada. Curated by Gregory Burke and Peggy Gale.
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**For Machine Use Only**, Schneiderei Gallery, Nov 17-23 Art Week, Vienna, curated by Mohammad Salemy.

2013 Futures Project, Center for Living Arts, Mobile, Alabama, USA Strange Loop, Golden Thread Gallery, Belfast, Ireland. http://www.atticusandalgernon.com/strange-loop.html Asymmetrical Cinema, duo exhibition, Beaconsfield Gallery, London, curated by Dale Holmes and Kirsten Cooke. The Objects of Culture, Duo show with Alison Jones, Ha Gamle Prestagard, Norway.

## **Essays - Articles**

- 2019 Language and Possible Worlds, contributing editor, Urbanomic Press. 'Self Conception beyond the Post-Human', in Constructing Cultures of Collective Freedom, forthcoming; Trevatt and Trafford eds. Rowan and Littlefield.
  - 'Exploding Horror', in *Diseases of the Head, Essays at the Intersection of Speculative Philosophy and Speculative Horror*, anthology, Punctum Books.
- 'Neo-Con Noir' in Cold War Cold World, Eds. Beech, Wiltgen, Mackay, Urbanomic Press, 2017.
   "Art and new Materialist Power: The Death of Anti Representationalist Critique", in The Psychopathologies of Cognitive Capitalism III, anthology.
   'How Art Ought to Think' in Art and Reason, Contrapuntal Media, CalArts.
- 2017 'Last Rights: The Non-Tragic Image and the Law', in *The Flood of Rights*, Bard CCS, New York and the LUMA Foundation.
- 'Heroic Realism: Violence, Conservatism, and the Fate of Culture', essay published on Urbanomic website, https://www.urbanomic.com/document/heroic-realism-2/ 'Culture Without Mirrors' in Site 0: Castilia, The Game of Ends and Means, A Glass Bead Project. Eds. Fabien Giraud, Jeremy Lecomte, Vincent Normand, Ida Soulard and Inigo Wilkins. 'Space is no Object' in Reinventing Horizons, eds., Václav Janoščík, Vít Bohal. Dustin Breitling.
- 2015 'Art and its Science' in *Speculative Aesthetics*, Urbanomic Redactions series.
  - 'Concept Without Difference, The Promise of the Generic', *Realism, Materialism, Art*, Sternberg Press, Bard also translated into German with Merve.
  - "Future Impossible? Thinking the Image without Crisis", Essay for <u>L'Avenir</u>, Montreal Biennale catalogue, Canada.
  - "Treason without Guilt: An alternative realism." Essay for <u>Agitationism</u>, Irish Biennial catalogue, Ireland.
- 'Exploding Horror' in Horrible Cogitatu: Spekulativer Horror, Merve, 2013 (German)
   'Traversing the Paradigm, Concept Without Difference, Image Without Art' in Art of the Concept, Frakcija, Performing Arts Journal, No 64/65 2013
   'Speculative Materialism', Spike Quarterly, June 2013, roundtable

discussion with Armen Avanessian, Suhail Malik and Robin Mackay.

#### Cats./Authored Books/Art Books and Projects

- 2018 **Determinism Noir,** Art project, Art Margins Journal, MIT press.
- 2015 Collapse, Casino Real, Urbanomic, *The Church, the Bank, The Art Gallery*, Art project dispersed in the journal.
  First Machine Final Machine, Bookwork with new prints. Lanchester Gallery Projects with essays by Neil Mulholland, Ray Brassier, Reza Negarastani. Ed. Sadie Kerr.
- 2014 *Agitationism,* exh cat., EVA international, Irish Biennial. Limerick, Ireland curated by Bassam El Baroni.

**A'venir, Looking Forward,** exh cat., Montreal Biennale, Montreal, Canada. Curated by Gregory Burke and Peggy Gale.

**All Obstructing Walls Have Been Broken Down,** exh cat. Catalyst Arts, Belfast, Ireland.

2013 Who's Who in Research, Intellect, 2013

**Tegel: Speculations and Propositions,** cat., Green Box, 2013 **Final Machine**, cat., contributing editor, Urbanomic Press, Falmouth. Foreword Robin Mackay, essays by Reza Naegarastani and Bridget Crone. http://www.waterstones.com/waterstonesweb/products/amanda+beech/bridget+crone/reza+negarestani/final+machine/9607460/

#### Reviews & Essays on Work

- 2015 What Hope Looks Like After Hope, Troubling the Real
  http://www.agendaculturel.com/Art\_What\_Hope\_Looks\_Like\_After\_Hope\_I\_
  experience\_d\_un\_trouble\_dans\_le\_reel
- 2014 Agitationism, Chris Clark, Art Monthly, issue 376, May.

  Between Two Tomorrows, Hunter Braithwaite, The Miami Rail, Winter 2014.

  Kate Scheibelbein, @BNLMTL 2014 Looking Forward, Montreal X, 2014.

  Sara Greavu, "All Obstructing Walls Have Been Broken Down", Collected, 2014. http://wearecollected.com/articles/amanda-beech-all-obstructing-walls-have-been-broken-down

"Agitation, politics and monkeys at Ireland's art biennial" Aidan Funne, Irish Times, Friday June 6<sup>th</sup> 2014.

"11 Reasons To Check Out Ireland's Art Scene" Huffington Post, Katherine Brooks, 3/7/14

Art Dublin, Hilary Murray, April 28th 2014

http://artdublinblog.wordpress.com/2014/04/28/artdublin-at-eva-limerick/May 4<sup>th</sup> 2014, Rebecca O'Dwyer,

http://rebeccaodwyer.wordpress.com/2014/05/04/agitationism/

http://www.tourisme-montreal.org/blog/see-arts-future-at-the-biennale-de-montreal-2014/

Len Ghio: http://thelenaghioparadox.blogspot.com/2014/11/biennale-montreal-221014-040115-looking.html

2013 Robin Mackay, Bridget Crone, Marie-Anne McQuay panel discussion with Amanda Beech, Lanchester Gallery Projects 2013.

http://lanchestergalleryprojects.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/FM-AB-PANEL-.pdf

lan Hunt: "Alison Jones and Amanda Beech: Audience into Community" http://www.theobjectsofculture.com

'Final Machine', Mark Sheerin, <a href="http://www.criticismism.com/">http://www.criticismism.com/</a> March 7<sup>th</sup> 2013 Beth Bramich, Review "Amanda Beech: Final Machine" in *This is Tomorrow* <a href="http://www.thisistomorrow.info/viewArticle.aspx?artId=1730&Title=Amanda">http://www.thisistomorrow.info/viewArticle.aspx?artId=1730&Title=Amanda</a> %20Beech:%20Final%20Machine

http://roskofrenija.blogspot.com/2013/09/amanda-beech-final-machine-2013.html

### Conferences/Public Speaking

- 2018 Ecole Des Beaux Artes, Paris, Guest Speaker. Language and its Possible Worlds, panel discussion, CalArts, December, with Daniel Scilotto, Anna London, Inigo Wilkins.
- 2016 Art and Reason: How Art Thinks II. Panel discussion with Robin Mackay, Simon O Sullivan, Ida Soulard, Mo Salemy respondent, Ian Ground Chair. Baltic Museum of Contemporary Art, Gateshead, UK.

  Bots, Bodies and Beasts, conference Gerrit Rietveld Akademie, Amsterdam, April 6-10<sup>th</sup> 2016. Paper, Maps, Mirrors, Projections.
- 2015 Art and Reason: How Art Thinks. Panel discussion with Robin Mackay, Bassam El Baroni, Diann Bauer, respondent Keith Tilford, Chair, Uta Kogelsberger. University of Newcastle Upon Tyne.

Video - http://thelenaghioparadox.blogspot.com/2014/11/biennale-montreal-221014-040115-looking.html

'Culture Without Mirrors', paper presentation for What Hope Looks Like After Hope, Beirut City Forum, 2015.

**Yarnwork,** Podcast interview with Robin Mackay, February 2015. <a href="https://www.urbanomic.com/yarnwork">www.urbanomic.com/yarnwork</a>

Fixing the Future, guest speaker, Art and Reason with Patricia Reed and Diann Bauer.

Fixing the Future, guest respondent to Pete Wolfendale.

**Speculative Aesthetics,** Tate Britain, panel discussion round table.

2014 Artists' talk, University of Belfast, Northern Ireland.Panel Discussant, *Montreal Biennale*, October 2014

Chair and co-organiser: *A Culture Beyond Crisis? Curating in a Time of Violence* Goethe Institut Los Angeles, 24-25<sup>th</sup> October.

Interview for Marfa Public Radio with Kate Yolande, July,

http://marfapublicradio.org/blog/west-texas-talk/in-studio-amanda-beech/

**Fixing the Future**, online discussion with Diann Bauer, *On the Semantics of Art*, chair, Joshua Johnson.

The Psychopathologies of Cognitive Capitalism: The Cognitive Turn, Goldsmiths College, London, UK, paper "Art and the new materialist power: The death of anti-representationalist critique".

**Post Planetary Capital** conference, Paper, "Space is no Object," New School, New York, USA.

Incredible Machines: Digitality and the Modern System of Knowledge at the Threshold of the 21st Century, respondent. Vancouver, Canada.

Science and its Fictions, Panel discussion with Reza Negarestani and Armen Avanassian. West Hollywood Public Library, LA, USA.
 Generative Constraints, "Art Unlimited, Overcoming self conscious critique," Royal Holloway and Kingston University London, Centre for Creative Collaboration. Nov 16<sup>th</sup> 2013

**Luma Foundation conference on Human Rights**, Arles, France, September. Paper "Last Rights: The Non-Tragic Image and the Law".

**Speculative Aesthetics**, Artworkers Guild, London, March.

**Final Machine** Herbert Read Gallery Coventry, panel with Robin Mackay, February. Bridget Crone, chair, Marie-Anne McQuay

Final Machine Haus de Kultur der Welt, Berlin. March 7th.

*Materialisms* Chair, with Suhail Malik and Adrian Johnston. April 5<sup>th</sup>. West Hollywood Public Library, Los Angeles, USA.

#### Residencie

2019	Montalvo, California, USA.
2016	Fieldwork, Marfa, Texas, USA
2014	Fieldwork residency, Marfa, Texas, USA.

# Employment

2012- present Dean of Critical Studies, California Institute of the Arts, USA.

2010-2012 Professor of Fine Art, University of Kent, UK.

2004-10 Course Director, MA Critical Writing, Curatorial Practice, Chelsea College of Art, London, UK.