

Kevin Snipes



Kevin Snipes is an American visual artist born in Philadelphia and raised in Cleveland, Ohio. He is currently Visiting Scholar/Researcher at the University of Georgia Department of Art in Athens, GA. He received a B.F.A. in ceramics and drawing from the Cleveland Institute of Art in 1994 and completed graduate studies at the University of Florida in 2003. Snipes' artwork explores concepts of otherness. He employs techniques of figurative narration and craft to form objects that cross the boundary between sculpture and painting. His work is a combination of atypical pottery forms, quirky figurative drawings and contemporary vernacular language. His pieces are influenced by an array of traditional and nontraditional art forms, including



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Education

- 2003 MFA studies in Ceramics, University of Florida School of Art and Art History, Gainesville, FL
1994 BFA, Ceramics with Drawing Minor, Cleveland Institute of Art, Cleveland, OH

Selected Exhibitions

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| 2018 | SOFA Chicago, Duane Reed Gallery
Duane Reed Gallery, St. Louis, MO | 2011 | Society of Arts and Craft, Boston, MA
AKAR, Iowa City, IA |
| 2015 | Duane Reed Gallery, St. Louis, MO
List Gallery, Swarthmore, PA | 2010 | Duane Reed Gallery, St. Louis, MO
Bellevue Arts Museum, Bellevue, WA |
| 2014 | SCOPE Miami, Duane Reed Gallery
SOFA Chicago, Duane Reed Gallery
Duane Reed Gallery, St. Louis, MO
The Clay Studio, Philadelphia, PA | 2009 | Plinth, Denver, CO
Archie Bray Foundation, Helena, MT
AKAR, Iowa City, IA
NCECA 2009 Clay National Biennial, Phoenix, AZ |
| 2013 | C.R.E.T.A. ROME, Rome, Italy
Le Cabanon, Valauris, France | | |
| 2012 | Duane Reed Gallery, St. Louis, MO
Crimson Laurel Gallery, Bakersville, NC | | |

Selected Public Collections

- Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, PA
Archie Bray Foundation, Helena, MT
University Hospital, Cleveland, OH
Arizona State University Art Museum, Tempe, AZ
Cedar Rapids Museum of Art, Cedar Rapids, IA