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# ANDI CRIST

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ANDI CRIST was raised in Birmingham, AL and earned her BFA from Columbia College Chicago in 2011. She is the founder and executive director of Autotelic Studios, a nonprofit arts organization that created affordable, alternative workspaces from 2010 until 2017. Crist's creative practice is primarily sculptural, complemented by a career as an art-handler and freelance fabricator. Her work touches on subjects of utility, work/play, and the assessment of value and labor.

## SELECT EXHIBITIONS

### 2025

*Title TBD (solo exhibition)* **Cleve Carney Museum of Art**

### 2024

*See Saw Seen* **Gallery 400**

*Title TBD* **Rockford University Gallery**

### 2023

*Too Long; Didn't Read* **Heaven Gallery**

*Green Noise* **INSURANCE at Granite City Art & Design District**

*Live & Unplugged (Northern)* **Cleaner Gallery**

### 2022

*Design & Art 14* **Dock 6**

*Barely Fair 2022* **AMFM at Julius Caesar**

*Tomorrow, and Tomorrow and Tomorrow* **Chicago Design Museum**

### 2021

*Cowboy Wisdom (solo exhibition)* **Belong Gallery**

*LOCUS: VIII* **The Martin**

*Keep in Touch* **Bird Show/Terrain Biennial**

*SWELL, a group exhibition on scaffolding* **South Shore Arts Center**

*Routine Maintenance* **Comfort Station**

### 2019

*Transistors* **Ralph Arnold Gallery**

*Echo* **Terrain Biennial**

*Not Just Another Pretty Face* **Hyde Park Art Center**

### 2018

*Cord Management* **Cleaner Gallery**

### 2016

*Who Cares for the Sky* **Hyde Park Art Center**

*Someone Else's Milk* **Milwaukee Institute of Art & Design**

### 2015

*A Hole is to Dig* **Terrain Exhibitions**

## 2014

*Suddenly Plastic* **Chicago Artists Coalition**  
*Place Lab & PLATFORMS Arts Incubator/Arts + Public Life*  
*EDITION 2014* **Chicago Artists Coalition**  
*DESIRE(D)* **Industry of the Ordinary, MANA Contemporary**  
*Medium Cool* **Western Exhibitions**  
*Starwalker Gala* **MANA Contemporary**  
*Milwaukee Avenue Arts Festival* **Pop-up Gallery**

## EDUCATION

**University of Illinois at Chicago** *MFA, Sculpture*

AUGUST 2022 - MAY 2024

**Columbia College Chicago** *BFA Studio Art*

AUGUST 2007 - JULY 2011

## PROFESSIONAL TEACHING

### Current

**Illinois Institute of Technology**

Architecture Studio 1 - Elements (ARCH 113) Fall 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023

Architecture Studio II - Units (ARCH 114) Spring 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024

### Current

**University of Illinois at Chicago**

Introduction to Sculpture (Sculpture 140) Spring 2023, Fall 2023

Introduction to Sculpture (Sculpture 140) Spring 2024

## FELLOWSHIPS & GRANTS

2014 DCASE Individual Arts Program Grant from the City of Chicago

## RESIDENCIES

ACRE woodshop staff | Steuben, Wisconsin 2021

Carpool, Route 2 | Milwaukee, WI 2016

Arquetopia Antique Arts Instructional Residency | Puebla, Mexico 2015

Industry of the Ordinary Summer School | Chicago, IL 2014

85500HIO | Chesterhill, OH 2014

HATCH Projects Residency Chicago Artists Coalition | Chicago, IL 2013-2014

Harold Arts | Chesterhill, OH 2013

## **SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS**

Guest Presenter | SAIC Continuing Studies: Exhibition Prep 2022

Workshop Presenter | Chicago Sculpture International 2021

Visiting Artist | ACE Design Build Workshop 2021

Visiting Artist | Milwaukee Institute of Art and Design 2016

Panelist, Groundwork: Strategic Planning for Your Creative Career | Chicago Artists Coalition 2015

Moderator, Let's Get Real (Estate): Finding Affordable Space for Your Creative Practice | Chicago Artists Coalition 2015

Presenter, Online Presence | SAIC Saturday Skillshare 2015

Guest Speaker, Online Presence + Networking | SAIC Tools for Teaching Workshop 2015

Panelist, Business Models & Alternative Career Path | Launch Invitational Residency 2014

Guest Speaker, Social Media Workshop: Best Practices & Strategy | SAIC Alumni Weekend 2014

Guest Artist, HATCH Salon Series of CAC X CS | Comfort Station 2014

## **RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE**

Teaching Assistant, University of Illinois at Chicago | 2022-present

Freelance Preparator, NFA Space | 2021-present

Adjunct Faculty, Illinois Institute of Technology | 2020-present

Head Preparator, Hyde Park Art Center | 2017-2021

Contract Fabricator, Audiotree Festival | 2018

Preparator, Cleve Carney Gallery | 2016-2017

Contract Preparator, Illinois Holocaust Museum and Education Center | 2016-2017

Contract Preparator, Carrie Secrist Gallery | 2016-2018

Contract Preparator, Chicago Artists Coalition | 2016

Contract Preparator, Wexler Gallery at S.O.F.A | 2016

Contract Carpenter, Josue Pellot | 2016

Mentor Artist, Chicago Artists Coalition Launch Residency | 2015+2016

Contract Fabricator, Chicago Parks District | 2015

Contract Fabricator/Artist, Redmoon Theater | 2014

Founder, Executive Director, Autotelic Studios (Autotelic NFP) | 2010-2017

Contract Social Media Coordinator, United States Artists | 2014

Community Content Manager, Chicago Artists Coalition/Chicago Artists Resource | 2012-2015