Born 1956, Ballarat, Victoria. Lives and works in Melbourne, Victoria.

#### Education

2018 PhD, MADA Faculty, Monash University, Melbourne
 2004 Master of Arts (Studio Art), New York University, USA

2000 Master of Arts by Research (Sculpture), RMIT University, Melbourne

1995 Honours (Sculpture), RMIT University, Melbourne

1994 Bachelor of Fine Art (Sculpture), Victorian College of the Arts, Melbourne

1991 Certificate of Art and Design, RMIT TAFE, Melbourne

#### Solo Exhibitions

2023 John Meade: It's Personal, McClelland, Melbourne

Round World, Sutton Gallery, Melbourne

2021 Sign Language, RMIT Project Space, Melbourne

2019 Something for Everyone, Sutton Gallery, Melbourne

2016 Set Pieces, Sutton Gallery, Melbourne
 2014 Autumn 2014, Sutton Gallery, Melbourne

2012 The Desultory Arabesque, Sutton Gallery, Melbourne

2011 Objects to Live By: The Art of John Meade, curated by Zara Stanhope, supported by NETS (Vic),

Tamworth Regional Gallery, NSW; Orange Regional Gallery, NSW

2010 Objects to Live By: The Art of John Meade, Latrobe Valley Regional Gallery, Victoria; Academy

Gallery, UTAS, Launceston; Swan Hill Regional Gallery, Victoria; PICA, Western Australia

2009 Show Business, Sutton Gallery, Melbourne

New Weekly, Ocular Lab, Melbourne
 Aftermath, Sutton Galley, Melbourne

Incident in the Museum 2, Monash University Museum of Art, Clayton

2004 Dreamer, Midsumma Festival, Gertrude Contemporary Art Spaces, Melbourne

2003 Objects and Protestations, Sutton Gallery, Melbourne

2001 Propulsion, Australian Centre for Contemporary Art, Melbourne

Propulsion, Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney

2000 Objects to Live By, Sutton Gallery, Melbourne

1999 Hauler Me, Sutton Gallery, Melbourne

Swimming Pool Incident, First Floor, Melbourne

1998 Mr. Vertigo, Bellas Gallery, Brisbane
 1997 Nighttime, Sutton Gallery, Melbourne

1996 Tour de Force, with Chris Langton, Gertrude Contemporary Art Spaces, Melbourne

Aura, First Floor, Melbourne

1995 *Impostor*, The Basement Project, Melbourne

1994 Sex Work, with Yvonne Werner, Temple Studios, Melbourne

### **Select Group Exhibitions**

2024	Hair Pieces, Heide Museum of Modern Art, Melbourne
	Neuro, Cathedral Cabinet, Melbourne
2022	LAZAR!, Hayden's Gallery, Melbourne
	Love, work (for KD), Sarah Scout Presents, Melbourne
2021	Who's Afraid of Public Space, Australian Centre of Contemporary Art, Melbourne
	Connecting the World through Sculpture: In the Air, Monash University Museum of Art (MUMA), Melbourne
2019	portico, Conners Conners, Melbourne
	Spring 1883, art fair, Sutton Gallery, Melbourne & Artsy
2018	Brent Harris / John Meade, Neon Parc, Melbourne
	TarraWarra Biennial: From Will to Form, TarraWarra Museum of Art, Healesville
	The Enigma Code, curated by Kate Daw, Sarah Scout Presents, Melbourne
2017	9 x 5 exhibition, Margaret Lawrence Gallery, Melbourne
	Redlands Konica Minolta Art Prize, curated by Callum Morton, National Art School, Sydney
2016	A Billion Bucks, curated by Justin Hinder and Charlotte Cornish, The Honeymoon Suite, Melbourne
	Spring 1883, represented by Sutton Gallery, Hotel Windsor, Melbourne
2014	Benglis 73/74, Neon Parc in association with Sutton Project Space and TCB, curated by Geoff Newton, Melbourne
	The Gathering II, A Survey of Australian Sculpture, curated by Dianne Mangan, Wangaratta Art Gallery, Victoria
	Dear Masato, All At Once, VCA Margaret Lawrence Gallery, University of Melbourne
	Spring 1883, represented by Sutton Gallery, Hotel Windsor, Melbourne
2013	Ghar ghar ki baat / Tales from two homes, Margaret Lawrence Gallery, Victorian College of the Arts, Melbourne
	The Knock-Off Show, Slopes, Melbourne
2012	Sleep on the Left Side, Gallery Seven Art, New Delhi, India
	SEXES, Carriageworks, Sydney
2011	Auckland Art Fair, New Zealand
	PICA Salon, Perth Institute of Contemporary Arts, Perth
2009	Born to Be Wild: The Motorcycle in Australia, curated by Anne Loxley, Penrith Regional Gallery & The Lewers Bequest, New South Wales
	Aqueous Bloom, curated by Rebecca Coates, Gasworks Arts Park, Melbourne
2008	ShContemporary 08, Shanghai Contemporary Art Fair, China
2006	The Schanck Show, curated by Paul Morgan and Mark Feary, Cape Schanck, Victoria
	Before The Body–Matter, curated by Geraldine Barlow, Monash University Museum of Art, Monash University, Melbourne
	Adventures with Form in Space, 4th Balnaves Sculpture Project, curated by Wayne Tunnicliffe, Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney

	21st Century Modern, curated by Linda Michael, Adelaide Biennial of Australian Art, Art Gallery of South Australia
	Melbourne Prize for Urban Sculpture (finalist), Federation Square, Melbourne
2005	Melbourne Prize for Urban Sculpture (finalist), Federation Square, Melbourne
2003	This was the future Australian Sculure of the 1950s, 60s, 70s and Today, curated by Zara Stanhope, Heide Museum of Modern Art, Melbourne
	Orifice, ACCA, Melbourne Festival, curated by Juliana Engberg
	The Future in Every Direction: Celebrating the Joan Clemenger Endowment for Contemporary Australian Art, Ian Potter Centre: National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne
2002	Poly-Articulate, collaboration with Justin Clemens, Chris Henschke and Andrew Trevillian, WestSpace, Melbourne
	Yarra-arraY, coordinated by Melbourne City Council, Birrarung Marr, Melbourne
	Re-identifications, curated by Robyn Johnston, Australian Centre for Photography, Sydney
	Studio, with Andrew McQualter and Fiona Abicare, Bus gallery, Melbourne
2001	Objection, curated by Russell Storer and Tim Silver, Sarah Cottier Gallery, Sydney; The Physics Room, Christchurch, New Zealand
	None More Blacker, curated by Lara Travis, Gertrude Contemporary Art Spaces, Melbourne, and touring regional Australia
2002-3	Low Down, recent acquisitions of the Monash University Collection, Monash University Museum of Art, Melbourne
2000	Blockbuster 99, video compilation by Ricky Swallow, UKS Gallery, Oslo,
1999	Live Acts#3, curated by Stuart Koop, Chunky Move at Revolver, Melbourne,
	Probe, curated by Maudie Palmer & Bryony Marks, Melbourne International Festival, Melbourne
	Queer'dom, curated by Andrew Nicholls, Perth Institute of Contemporary Art, Perth
	Universe #1, Molecular Reality, curated by Christopher Chapman, Experimental Art Foundation, Adelaide
1998	Deacons Graham & James/Arts 21 Award, The Ian Potter Museum of Art, Melbourne
	Beauty 2000, curated by David Broker, Institute of Modern Art, Brisbane
1997	1992, Talk Atists' Initiative, Melbourne, curated by Sandra Bridie
	Plastic Fantastic, curated by Ben Curnow, Museum of Contemporary Art, Sydney
	Bad Gay Art, curated by Robert Schubert, Mardi Gras Gallery, Sydney
1996	Monash Prize, Monash University Gallery, Melbourne
1995	Collusions, curated by Andrew McQualter and D.J. Huppatz, First Floor, Melbourne
	Sculpture at Heidelberg, curated by Ken Scarlett, Austin Medical Centre, Melbourne
	Personals, MIT Gallery at Tolarno, Melbourne
1994	Group Show, First Floor, Melbourne

### Commisions

2020 Asterisk Kolam, ARM Architecture/Monash University Museum of Art, Chancellery building, Clayton campus

2018 Love Flower, with Emily Karanikolopoulos, Southern Way McClelland Commission, Melbourne

2016 Everyday Devotional, Sunland, Abian Commission, Brisbane

2011 Riverside Corolla, DEXUS Southgate commission, Southbank, Melbourne
2010 Screw Babs, Gertrude Edition 2010, Gertrude Contemporary, Melbourne

2010 Screen and balustrade design for Mirvac Laureate, Melbourne
2009 Screen design for Mirvac Laureate development, Melbourne
2006 Progeny, Heide Museum of Modern Art, Victoria, Melbourne

Aqualung, The National Bank, Lend Lease, Docklands, Melbourne

2000 Mean Yellow, Melbourne Festival, forecourt of the Victorian Arts Centre

Collections

Art Gallery of Ballarat, Victoria

Australian Catholic University, Melbourne

Geelong Gallery, Victoria

City of Port Phillip, Melbourne Australian Catholic University, Melbourne

National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne
Heide Museum of Modern Art, Melbourne

McClelland Gallery, Vicrtoria

Monash University Collection, Melbourne

Museum of Contemporary Art Australia, Sydney

Orange Regional Art Gallery, NSW Shepparton Art Museum, Victoria

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Cormack, E From Will To Form, ex.cat, TarraWarra Museum of Art Biennial, 2018

Couttie, L TaraWarra Biennial: From Will to Form, Un Projects 30 August, 2018

Crawford, A 'Aftermath', *The Sunday Age*, p. Preview, p. 22., 2005

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McQualter, A Mr Vertigo, catalogue essay, self published, np., 1998

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'Objects to Live By', *The Age, Review*, p. 7. 29th November 2000

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Tour de Force, catalogue essay, Melbourne: 200 Gertrude Street, np., 1995

Osborne, M '21st Century Modern', *The Adelaide Advertiser*, p. 48., 2006

Palmer, D 'Propulsion', RealTime, no. 44, p. 38., 2001

'Hauler Me', Eyeline, no. 40, p. 48., 1999

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**Awards** 

2023 Australia Council, Arts projects Grant for John Meade: It's Personal!

2020 Melbourne University, Faculty of Fine Arts and Music Research Development Grant

for Sign Language

2012/16 Monash Research Scholarship, Monash University

2009 NETS development grant for exhibition Objects to Live By, curated by Zara Stanhope

2008 Australia Council, VACB New Work Grant for exhibiton Show Business

2005 Arts Victoria Development Grant for Aftermath

2003 Anne and Gordon Samstag International Visual Arts Scholarship

2002 Australia Council, VACB New Work Grant for Objects and Protestations

Cinemedia Grant for exhibition Poly-Articulate, with J. Clemmens, C. Henschke and A. Trevillian

2001 Besen Family Foundation Grant for *Propulsion* 

2000 Arts Victoria, New Works Grant for Objects To Live By

RMIT Foundation grant for Objects To Live By

1998/99 Australian Postgraduate Award, Masters of Arts research scholarship

1997 Victorian Government Arts 21 Project Grant for Nighttime

1996 Victorian Government Arts 21 Project Grant for *Tour de Force* (with C. Langton)

1994 National Gallery of Victoria Trustees Award

#### Residencies, Appointments

2019 Art+Australia/Phasmid Studios Residency, Berlin

2014 Bite Me, Hong Kong magazine, Vol 2, double artist page

2013 Harper's Bazaar, Hong Kong, double-spread artist page, May edition

2011-18 Member, NETS (VIC) Board of Management

2011 Artist in Residence, Albert Park College, Melbourne, through the Victorian Government, Artist

in Schools Program

2007 Slide, Gertrude Contemporary, Melbourne

2006 Chair, Gertrude Contemporary Board of Management, Melbourne
1999/07 Member, Gertrude Contemporary Board of Management, Melbourne

1998/99 India Residency, Asialink

1997/98 Member, Gertrude Contemporary Exhibition Selection Committee

2002/03 Member, City of Melbourne Public Art Committee

1996 Curator, Flower Show, Australian Centre for Contemporary Art, Next Wave Festival, Melbourne

### Teaching

2022-2023

2020-2022	Graduate Research Convenor, Faculty Fine Art and Music, Victorian College of the Arts, University of Melbourne
2019	Lecturer in Art, School of Art, Victorian College of the Arts, University of Melbourne (.5 position)
2016-18	Sessional Lecturer, Honours, MADA Faculty, Monash University, Melbourne
2005-18	Sessional Lecturer, School of Art, VCA, University of Melbourne
2012-14	Course Coordinator, Graduate Certificate in Visual Art, School of Art, VCA, University of Melbourne
2007-8	Presented lecture and tutorial on Art and Psychoanalysis, Art History and Theory Department, RMIT University, Melbourne
2007	Presented lecture and tutorial on Art and Psychoanalysis, Art History and Theory Department, RMIT University, Melbourne
2002-03	Sessional lecturer in Sculpture, Victorian College of the Arts, Melbourne (2 semesters).
1997-02	Sessional lecturer in Sculpture, RMIT University, Melbourne
1997	Visiting lecturer in Sculpture at the Victorian College of the Arts, Melbourne

Honorary (Fellow), Fine Arts and Music (VCA), University of Melbourne