

# Sara McCool

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## Education

2002-2004 University of Illinois at Chicago, Master of Fine Arts in Video Art  
1996-2000 Antioch College, Yellow Springs, Ohio, Bachelor of Arts in Communication

## Awards

2013 Sprout “Connect Your City” Project Grant

## Memberships

Certified Chicago Public Access(CanTV) Producer  
Pittsburgh Filmmakers Access Membership  
Pittsburgh Documentary Salon  
IFP(Independent Film Project) Chicago  
Alliance for Women in Media

## Performances and Screenings

- 2013 *PEEPSHOW 2015 – Hot Mess, Squeaky Wheel, Buffalo, NY*  
*Six X Ate Group Show, Gallery 37, Pittsburgh, PA*
- 2012 *No, You’re a Gentrifier, with Shadow Lounge owner Justin Strong, Pittsburgh*  
*Artist Talk, Center for the Arts, Pittsburgh, PA*  
*The Asshole Show, with comedian Davon Magwood Pittsburgh*  
*Creativity and Art, with artist Bekezalea Mguni, WaffleShop Pittsburgh*  
*The Interview, Documentary Salon, Pittsburgh, PA*
- 2011 **CanTv Public Access, Chicago**  
*The Politics of Humor, with female comedy troupe, the KatyDids, Chicago*  
*Chicago is for Haters, with art critic Abraham Ritchie, Chicago*  
*Gender Politics in Hip Hop, interview with “I Still Love her” organizers, Chicago*  
*Political Art Doesn’t Matter, with artist Jaxon Pallas and Josue Pellot Chicago*  
*Is Fat a Feminist Issue? with Salim Jullin of Temporary Services, Chicago*  
*Feminism is Deep, with MC Psalm One and filmmaker Jennifer Reeder, Chicago*
- 2007 *Amateur Hour, Arc Gallery, Chicago*
- 2006 *Women’s Film Festival, Tel Aviv*  
*The Body Show, Ukrainian Museum of Art, Chicago*
- 2004 *Solo Performance, ChicagoMondo, Viaduct Theater, Chicago*  
*Solo Performance, Famous Fatties, The Roof, Chicago*  
*The Fat Show, Discount Cinema, Chicago*
- 2003 *Big Girls, Women in the Director’s Chair, Chicago*  
*Big Girls, Zeitgeist Performance Space, New Orleans*  
*Big Girls, LadyFest, Olympia Washington*

**Technical Expertise**

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| Production             | Panasonic AG-HVX200, Sony DCR-VX2100, Studio Lighting, Green Screen                         |
| Post/Effects/Animation | Final Cut Pro, DVD Studio Pro, Garage Band, Adobe CS6: After Effects, Premiere, Adobe Flash |
| Course Delivery        | eCollege, Blackboard, ElluminateLive, Jing, Camtasia  |
| Web                    | Html/CSS, ActionScript 3.0, Adobe CS6: Dreamweaver, Illustrator, Photoshop                  |
| Office                 | Word, Excel, PowerPoint   |

**Professional Experience**

Art Institute of Pittsburgh, Chicago, IL 2007 – Present

Adjunct Faculty-Interactive Media, Online

Instruct Fundamentals of Media Communication, covering the history and theory of media communications, two courses of 15 students per term. Communicate with student advisers and tutors to ensure student success. Produce instructional videos using video capture and hosting software.

After School Matters, Chicago, IL 2010 – 2011

Web and Animation Instructor / Lead Artist

Created and facilitated digital media curriculum which resulted in group presentation of final projects. Guided and managed a class of 15 Chicago public high-school students in production of Adobe web animation program considering equipment, budget, and location logistics.

International Academy of Design & Technology, Chicago, IL 2008 – 2009

Adjunct Faculty, Video Production

Responsible for instructing classes of 10-25 students in post production visual effects design and design theory. Managed and organized professional video equipment including HD Panasonic cameras, lighting and production equipment. Oversaw the purchase of new video and audio equipment.

New City Magazine, Chicago, IL 2008 – 2010

Writer

Covered emerging and established contemporary artists in 300-500 word reviews for weekly publication utilizing knowledge of art history and art trends.

Adobe Foundation, Chicago, IL 2008 – 2010

Media Arts Instructor

Developed and conducted seven hour video production career development seminars for groups of 20-25 Chicago Public School Teachers. Researched and archived digital video resources for instructors to utilize in their classes. Instructed Teachers in Adobe Youth Voices inquiry based education model.