

**JESSE KRIMES**

Born in 1982 in Lancaster, PA  
Lives and works in Philadelphia, PA and New York City

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE AND EDUCATION**

- 2023** – Founder & Director, Center for Art & Advocacy, Brooklyn, NY
- 2016** – Co-Founder, Right of Return USA Fellowship, New York, NY
- 2008** Bachelor of Art (Cum Laude), Millersville University of Pennsylvania, Millersville, PA

**SELECTED ONE-ARTIST EXHIBITIONS**

- 2024 – 2025** *Jesse Krimes: Corrections*, Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, NY, October 28, 2024 – July 13, 2025.
- 2024** *Jesse Krimes: Rikers Quilt*, Philadelphia Museum of Art, Philadelphia, PA, March 23 – September 16, 2024.  
*Jesse Krimes: Cells*, Jack Shainman Gallery, New York, NY, November 2 – December 21, 2024.
- 2022** *Jesse Krimes*, San Jose Institute of Contemporary Art, San Jose, CA, April 7th – August 21, 2022.  
*Strange Roots*, Malin Gallery, Aspen, CO, March 1 – 28, 2022.
- 2021** *Elegy Quilts*, Malin Gallery, Aspen, CO, August 1 – September 13, 2021.
- 2020 – 2021** *American Rendition*, Malin Gallery, New York, NY, November 17 – January 23, 2021.
- 2019** *Voices from the Heartland*, Rauschenberg and Art for Justice Fund, Lancaster, PA.
- 2018** *Strange Roots*, Malin Gallery, New York, NY, September 13 – November 30, 2018.  
*Apokaluptein*, Loyola University, Baltimore, Md.
- 2017** *Purgatory*, Spagnuole Art Gallery, Georgetown University, Washington, DC, February 1 – March 26, 2017.
- 2016** *Marking Time in America: The Prison Works*, Burning in Water Gallery, New York, NY, August 4 – October 1, 2016.  
*Ink Scaffolds*, Michael A. Evans Center, Marian University, Indianapolis, IN, March 1 – April 1, 2016.  
*Deus ex Machina*, Leonard Pearlstein Gallery, Drexel University, Philadelphia, PA, January 12 – March 13, 2016.
- 2014** *Apokaluptein16389067*, Zimmerli Museum, New Brunswick, NJ, September 2 – December 14, 2014.
- 2013** *Belly of the Beast*, Goldilocks Gallery, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2008** *Coercion*, Sykes Gallery, Millersville University, Millersville, PA.

## SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2024 - 2025** *No Bodies: Clothing as Disruptor*, Real Art Ways, Hartford, CT, February 17 – April 20, 2024.  
Travelled to: Hudson River Museum, Yonkers, NY, September 20, 2024 – January 26, 2025.
- 2023** *No Justice Without Love*, Ford Foundation Gallery, New York, NY, April 4 – June 30, 2023.  
*Prison Nation*, The Baker Museum, Naples, FL, July 1 – September 17, 2023.
- 2022 – 2023** *Social Fabric, Textiles & Contemporary Issues*, Newport Art Museum, Newport, RI, December 3, 2022 – June 11, 2023.
- 2022** *Right of Return Charity Auction*, Christie's Auction House, New York, NY.
- 2021** *The Collective: Chosen Family*, Martos Gallery, New York, NY, September 8 – October 23, 2021.  
*ArtCrush*, Aspen Art Museum, Aspen, CO.  
*New Grit: Art and Philly Now*, Philadelphia Museum of Art, Philadelphia, PA, May 7 – August 22, 2021.
- 2020 – 2021** *Marking Time: Art in the Age of Mass Incarceration*, MoMA PS1, Long Island City, NY, September 17, 2020 – April 5, 2021.
- 2020** *Im Gefängnis*, Deutsches Hygiene-Museum, Dresden, Germany
- 2019** *En Prison*, Musée des Confluences, Lyon, France.  
*Emanations*, Wheaton Arts and Culture Center, Millville, NJ, April 2 – December 31, 2019.  
*O.G. Experience*, Studio 525, New York, NY.  
*Prison*, International Red Cross Museum, Geneva, Switzerland.  
*Prison Nation*, Southeast Museum of Photography, Daytona Beach, FL.
- 2018** *Due Process*, Ludlow 38 Gallery, Goethe Institute, New York, NY, August 30 – September 9, 2018.  
*Prison Nation*, Aperture Foundation Gallery, New York, NY.
- 2017** *American Made*, Maryland Institute College of Art, Baltimore, MD.  
*Season 6*, MMuseum, New York, NY.  
*Made in America*, Hampshire College Art Gallery, Hampshire College, MA, January 5 – March 3, 2017.
- 2016** *Incarceration Nation*, Colorado College, Colorado Springs, CO.  
*Truth to Power*, Democratic National Convention Exhibition, Philadelphia, PA.  
*The Museum of Drug Policy*, Open Society Foundation: United Nations General Assembly, NY.
- 2015** *Apokaluptein:16389067:II*, Eastern State Penitentiary, Philadelphia, PA.  
*Le bord des Mondes*, Palais de Tokyo, Paris, France.  
*The Fire This Time*, The Hess Center for the Arts, Deerfield Academy, MA.  
*The City Real and Imagined*, Painted Bride Arts Center, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2014** *Beyond the Wall*, Commonwealth Gallery, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2012** *Reflective Equilibrium: Art by Imprisoned People*, Little Berlin Gallery, Philadelphia, PA.

## PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

Brooklyn Museum, Brooklyn, NY  
Kadist Art Foundation, San Francisco, CA  
Mellon Foundation, New York, NY

Newport Art Museum, Newport, RI  
OZ Art NWA, Bentonville, AR

## PUBLIC ART PROJECTS

- 2021** *Stitching Our Futures Quilt*, Philadelphia Mural Arts, Philadelphia, PA
- 2020** *Riker's Legacy Quilt*, MoMa PS1, Long Island, NY
- 2019** *Voices from the Heartland*, Rauschenberg and Art for Justice Fund, Lancaster, PA
- 2018** *Portraits of Justice*, Philadelphia Mural Arts, City Hall, Philadelphia, PA
- 2017** *Voices*, Philadelphia Mural Arts, Philadelphia, PA
- 2015** *Solitary Cell*, Amnesty International: Art for Amnesty, New Orleans, LA
- 2015** *Regeneration*, Philadelphia Mural Arts, Philadelphia, PA

## ACTIVISM AND CURATORIAL EXPERIENCE

- 2022** Subject, *Krimes*, Feature Length Documentary Film, MTV Docs, New York, NY.
- 2020** Curator, *Rendering Justice*, African American Museum Philadelphia, PA.  
Curator, *Reimagining Reentry Fellowship*, Mural Arts Philadelphia, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2019** Curator, *O.G. Experience*, Studio525, HBO films, New York, NY.
- 2016** Lead Plaintiff, *Jesse Krimes vs. JPMorgan Chase Bank: Successful Class Action Lawsuit on behalf of all Federal Inmates*, United States District Court.
- 2016** Co-curator, *Truth to Power*, Democratic National Convention, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2014 – 2017** *Social Justice Research Academy*, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA
- 2012** Co-curator, *Reflective Equilibrium*, Little Berlin Gallery, Philadelphia, PA.

## GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, RESIDENCIES

- 2023** Art for Justice Fund (Organizational Grantee)
- 2022** Pew Center for Arts & Heritage Fellow  
Silver Arts Project Residency
- 2021** Mellon Foundation (Organizational Grantee)  
John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation Fellow
- 2020** Creative Capital Fellow

- 2019** Civil Rights Corps' Artist in Residence Fellow  
Captiva Artist Residency Fellow
- 2018** Ford Foundation: Art for Justice Fund Fellow
- 2017** Rauschenberg Foundation: Artist as Activist Fellow  
Independence Foundation Fellow  
Open Philanthropy (Organizational Grantee)
- 2016** Vermont Studio Center, Fellow
- 2015** Center for Emerging Visual Artists Fellow