

# Soda Leavey

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Soda Leavey is an interdisciplinary Artist based on the Canadian West Coast. Her work is comprised of compositions that capture the movement and gesture of their realizations often with juxtaposing materials to visually explore different relationships and boundaries.

Arbitrary Integrity of the expressionist gesture is highlighted alongside process and materiality, which is emphasized through destruction, action and reconfigurations. Anxieties associated with technology, dehumanization and the future manifest in her gestures and break down of the picture plane which shifts between form and disarrangement creating a space that invited the viewer to feel while challenging their unconscious distinctions of reality.

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## Education

University of British Columbia, Bachelor of Fine Arts, 2015

Red Deer College, Bachelor of Fine Art: University Transfer, 2011

Studied Under:

Jane Romanishko

## Awards

*Art Slam Grand Slam Champion*. First Place. Studio 580: Benefiting the Kettle Society. 2019.

*Liquitex Muted Collection Painting Winner*. First Place. Col-Art & Opus Art Supplies. 2017.

## Professional Experience

Vancouver Mural Festival, 2019

Opus Outdoor Painting Challenge, 2014 - 2019

Digital Printing and Framing, 2014 - 2019

Opus Art Supplies Product Trainer, 2014-2018

UBC Drawing and Painting Studio Assistant, 2013-2015

## Extracurricular and Volunteer Experience

Video in Video Out – Archive Assistance, 2015

UBC Visual Arts Student Association – Secretary/Events, 2014

## Exhibitions

2019 *Art Slam: Grand Finale (Live Paint)*, Studio 580, Vancouver

2019 *Art Slam: Round 3 (Live Paint)*, Studio 580, Vancouver

2019 *AIMAE 2019*, Federation of Canadian Artists, Vancouver

2019 *Shape Shifters (All Abstract) Mural Battle (Live Paint)*, SNAG, Vancouver

2019 *Sticky Show*, Hot Art Wet City, Vancouver  
2018 *Emergence*, (Pop up, private studio), Vancouver  
2018 *Mocha Porter Launch (Live Paint)*, Granville Island Brewery, Vancouver  
2018 *Transcendence*, Capulet Art Gallery, Richmond  
2018 *Battle of the Brush Ep. 36: Superhero's*, Heritage Hall, Vancouver  
2018 *In My Head Art-Ion Show*, Smart Hollow Entertainment, Vancouver  
2018 *Astralis: Cosmic Art Show*, Korean Cultural Centre, Vancouver  
2017 *40 Below*, Federation of Canadian Artists, Vancouver  
2017 Anonymous Art Show, City Scape Gallery, North Vancouver  
2017 *Pop-Up ART SHOW*, Photon Studio, Vancouver  
2017 *CUSP*, Exchange LA with RAW: DTLA, Los Angeles  
2016 *VERVE*, Harbour Event Centre with RAW: Vancouver, Vancouver  
2015 *Anonymous Art Show*, City Scape Gallery, North Vancouver  
2015 *Ten Squared*, Federation of Canadian Artists, Vancouver  
2015 *80s vs. 90s*, Unity Tattoo, Vancouver  
2015 *Brutes, Bots and Babes*, Unity Tattoo, Vancouver  
2014 *Marinate Me*, AHVA Gallery, Vancouver  
2014 *Star Wars*, Unity Tattoo, Vancouver  
2014 *Kinetica*, AHVA Gallery, Vancouver  
2013 *An Honest Day's Work*, AMS Gallery, Vancouver

### **Collections**

Private Collection, Los Angeles, CA  
Private Collection, Vancouver, BC  
Private Collection, North Vancouver, BC  
Private Collection, Coquitlam, BC  
Private Collection, Calgary, AB  
Private Collection, Airdrie AB  
Private Collection, Red Deer, AB  
Private Collection, Edmonton, AB  
Private Collection, Trenton, ON  
Private Collection, Cambleford, ON  
Private Collection, Kingston, ON

### **Publications**

"Soda Leavey" *Curatorial: Leaders in Contemporary Art*. Vol. 1 2019. 196-197  
<https://www.capsulesbookportfolio.com/soda-leavey>