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### Select Live Art Actions

- 2012      *Circular resin path*, Global Performance Art Walks, Boston MA  
*Black Bag Job* @ RELATED QUALITIES OF PRESENCE, Darling Foundry Montreal CA  
*TWO-FACE VALUE (live video)*, Spirited Money Issue, Fourth Wall, Boston MA  
*Phototrop* w/ Jesse Kaminsky, [White Walls Boston](#), Boston MA  
*ART-if-ACTS* by Gang Clan Mafia, Museum of Fine Arts Boston MA  
*range'o'range* by Gang Clan Mafia, Franklin Pierce University NH  
*CamoLand* by J V w/ Jeff Huckleberry as J. *Together Festival*/[AMALGAMATE](#), Boston MA  
*Shadow Initiation Spell* (13hr installation action), Harbor Gallery University of Massachusetts, Boston MA
- 2011      *Accumulation Action 1,2 &3*, Video @ Eudoro Cape Town Film Festival, Cape Town South Africa  
*Time Eaters: Ratchet* W/ Jeff Huckleberry. Grace Exhibition Space, Brooklyn NY  
*Hungry Ghost* W/ Jeff Huckleberry, Holy Ghost Montserrat College of Art, Beverly MA  
*GOLDEN DOOR*, Living Walls Performance Festival, Albany NY  
*EGO Shadow*, *Close Distance*, *Installation 5 part performance*, Mills Gallery, Boston MA  
*Tree of Death*, *Lumen Festival of Video and Performance Art*, Staten Island NY  
*GOLDend HEX*, Grace Exhibition Space, Brooklyn NY  
*SKIDOO*, 23 hr alteration, MEME Gallery, Boston MA  
*Una Bendicion de Oro*, Front Ground Gallery, Merida Mexico  
*HomerLUPE*, Da Burn Gallery, Merida Mexico
- 2010      *LA LA TOTEM*, Lumen Festival, Atlantic salts. Staten Island, NYC  
*Santo TOONMON*, Transmuted, San Luis Potosi, Mexico  
*Mythical Bird MAN*, Yard Sale @ mobius, Boston MA  
*Mirror Mantra 2*, Gang Clan Mafia, 57 Delle Space, Roxbury, MA  
*Coffin 4 2*, W/ Jeff Huckleberry, QAUI #1 MEME Gallery, Boston MA  
*Time Eaters Wedge*, W/ Jeff Huckleberry, Fnord Box, Boston MA  
*8 DOORS*, w/ NOX [O], Streets of L.A., Los Angeles CA
- 2009      *Fantasy Buddha*, 10<sup>th</sup> Open festival of Performance Art, Beijing, China  
*Accumulation*, MEME Gallery, Cambridge MA  
*Magnetic North*, Effectus, Boston MA  
*Electron City*, Gang Clan Mafia, MEME Gallery, Cambridge MA  
*Shiny Object*, Gang Clan Mafia, 381 Congress St, Boston MA  
*Campfire Story*, Gang Clan Mafia, Magapolis Festival, Boston MA
- 2008      *Buddhey*, Mobolize Series, mobius, Boston MA  
*1440*, Gang Clan Mafia (24 hr, sound-performance-installation) mobius Boston MA  
*Anthill of Mental Honey*, Gang Clan Mafia, 8th High Mayhem Emerging Arts Festival Santa Fe, NM
- 2007      *A Gods Shadow*, Performance Interventions, Stencils NESAD, Boston, MA  
*Tube-Manifestation TEST 11*, Boston MA  
*Mirror Mantra*, Gang Clan Mafia (performance-installation) Studio SOTO, Boston MA  
*GameShow The Game*, Gang Clan Mafia (performance-installation) mobius Boston MA  
*Nothing*, W/ Jeff Huckleberry, TREMOR 4, mobius Boston MA
- 2006      *12 Stations of the Tribal Bible*, Performance/Installation, Elapse, Boston MA  
*SOID-DOG*, Tremor Bogotá, Mapa Teatro, Bogotá Colombia  
*Absolute Repent*, Contaminate festival of performance art, Midway Studios, Boston MA  
*Paradise Hell*, Gang Clan Mafia, TEST, Boston MA  
*Ritual DATA*, Gang Clan Mafia, Pulse Point, Boston MA  
*Trap #2*, W/ Jeff Huckleberry, Mobius International Festival of Performance Art Boston, MA  
*TRAP*, W/ Jeff Huckleberry, Seconds, Boston M.A.  
*Blacken*, W/ Jeff Huckleberry, A Mobius night of Performance Art, Studio Soto, Boston MA  
*Black*, W/ Jeff Huckleberry, Mobius, Boston MA  
*Interruption Zone*, w/ NOX [O], Mobius International Festival of Performance, Boston, MA  
*Desert Hueyas*, w/ NOX [O], 6th High Mayhem Emerging Arts Festival, Santa Fe, NM  
*Super S.W.A.T. Shamans from Alcion*, w/ NOX [O], Tremor Bogotá, Colombia
- 2005      *Magic Chopping Hummingbird*, Live Sound Art, Mobius Art Rages, Boston, MA  
*Picnic 2005*, w/ NOX [O], Test 6, MassArt, Boston, MA  
*Tlaltecuhli Testament*, w/ NOX [O], Tremor II, City Without Walls Gallery, Newark, NJ

- 2004 *Wind Tremor*, MCH Tremor I, City Without Walls Gallery, Newark, NJ  
*Tlaltecuhli Transform/Transport*, w/ NOX [O], Tremor I, City Without Walls Gallery, Newark, NJ
- 2003 *Dominate/Heal*, W/ Jeff Huckleberry, TEST, Boston, MA  
*Oracle Box*, W/ Jeff Huckleberry, Mobius Art Rages, Boston, MA  
*Tlaltecuhli Transmission*, w/ NOX [O], Five Myles Gallery, Brooklyn, NY
- 2002 *Calipso Shave*, Tiny Arts Presents, Allston, MA  
*Sniper Culture*, W/ Jeff Huckleberry, Mobius Art Rages, Boston, MA  
*The Naglfar*, W/ Jeff Huckleberry, Mobius Art Rages, Boston, MA
- 2001 *The Orange Room*, W/ Jeff Huckleberry, Mobius Art Rages, Boston, MA  
*Every Day*, W/ Jeff Huckleberry, 3-Day'S Mobius, Boston, MA
- 2000 *Circle of Sin*, Fenway Park, Boston, MA  
*Casa Blanca*, W/ Jeff Huckleberry, Mobius Art Rages, Boston, MA  
*Bloody Banana*, W/ Jeff Huckleberry, Pan9, Boston, MA  
*Sweeping Through Boston*, W/ Jeff Huckleberry, Downtown Crossing, Boston, MA  
*Day Of The Dead*, W/ Jeff Huckleberry, Mobius Haunted House, Boston, MA  
*Operation Goddess II*, w/ NOX [O], Looking Glass Gallery, Tuscaloosa, AL  
*Operation Goddess I*, w/ NOX [O], School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA
- 1999 *7 nailed Fish*, School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA  
*Mexican Wrestler on Vacation*, Downtown Boston, MA
- 1997 *Powdered Milk*, w/ NOX [O], Guerilla Theater, Tuscaloosa, AL
- 1996 *Samadhi*, w/ NOX [O], Guerilla Theater, Tuscaloosa, AL

**Art Exhibitions** TWO-FACE VALUE, Video piece, Fourth Wall Gallery, Boston MA  
 Close Distance, group show Boston Center for the Arts, Mills Gallery, Boston MA 2011  
 X me Lab, NEGLAA solo show, Boston MA 2010  
 Mouth Full of Rubies, group show, 57 DELL Space, Boston MA 2009  
 BOXES, group show, School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston MA 2001  
 Object Seeds, solo show, The Prodigal Son, Hyannis MA 1998  
 Death's Rebirth, group show, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa AL 1997

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 "Boston Takes China." by Thomas Bird Big, Red, and Shiny [issue#113](#)  
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 "Music-Disorientation" Weekly Dig, Oct. 31, Dig This! 2007  
 "A Journey from Techno to Mellow" by Cate McQuaid, Boston Globe, August 16, 2007  
 "Degrees of Disorder," by Patricia Sauthoff, Santa fe Reporter, Santa Fe, NM, October 11, 2006

#### Selected Grants/Awards

Boston Phoenix's Best of Boston, Best Gallery , MEME Gallery, Cambridge, MA 2010  
 LEF Contemporary Art Fund, Boston, MA 2008

**Artist Talks** Close Distance, Boston Center for the Arts, Boston MA 2011

**Affiliation's** MEME Gallery Co-Founder and Co-Curator 2009-2011  
 Mobius Artist Group Member 2006-2008  
 Co-Producer of TEST performance art events 2003-2007  
 Temple of Messages Co-founder 2000-present

**Curatorial Work** *MEME Gallery co founder and co director Boston Ma, 2009-2011*  
*Contaminate III, Festival of performance art, Midway Studios, Boston, Ma, 2008*  
*Contaminate II, Festival of performance art, Midway Studios Café Space, Boston, Ma, 2007*  
*Contaminate I, Festival of performance art, Midway Studios Space, Boston, Ma, 2006*  
*TEST 2 - 10 performance art events, Boston MA, 2002-2007*  
*Tremor Festival 2 - 3, Bogota, Colombia 2005-2006*

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