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Richard Medina is an artist, curator, and filmmaker based in Chicago, IL. His work seeks to intervene in the realm of cultural imagination and explore the blurred line between the extraordinary and the everyday. He has exhibited at Gallery 400, the Museum of Contemporary Art Chicago, Project 1612, The Condo Association, and Roman Susan, among others. In 2016 Richard was awarded the Jeffrey Ahn, Jr. Fellowship. He serves on the board of directors for the nonprofit organization Terrain Exhibitions, and is Co-Director of the Terrain Biennial 2019. Richard curates Box Gallery, an experimental gallery space that takes the form of a 6" x 6" x 6" cardboard box. He is currently seeking his BFA at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago (2021).

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Education

2017–21 *Bachelor of Fine Arts, School of the Art Institute of Chicago **

Solo and Two-Person Exhibitions

2020 *TBD, Union Street Gallery, Chicago Heights, IL **
 2019 *Scylla, Western Pole, Chicago, IL*
 2018 *Open Encounters, The Condo Association, Chicago, IL*
 2018 *Spies! with Madeleine Aguilar, The Condo Association, Chicago, IL*
 2016 *Sex Land Power, Project 1612, Peoria, IL*
 2016 *Cave Paintings USA, Roman Susan, Chicago, IL*

Film Screenings

2018 *Egg Game, ExTV SAIC campus monitors, Chicago, IL*
 2018 *Items That Could Potentially Be of Use in Clandestine Operations, ArtBash, Chicago, IL*
 2016 *Arizona El Dorado, Bradley University Galleries, Peoria, IL*
 2016 *Arizona El Dorado, Project 1612, Peoria, IL*
 2016 *Shoot to Kill: They Call Me Canyon, CineYouth Festival, Chicago, IL*

Group Exhibitions

2019 *SITE Curated, SAIC SITE Gallery Sharp, Chicago, IL **
 2019 *Carpet Diem: Variety Show on an Area Rug, Gallery 400, Chicago, IL*
 2018 *ArtCrush, SITE Galleries Columbus, Chicago, IL*
 2018 *Family Day: Short Circuit, The Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL*
 2018 *Continental Breakfast, The Condo Association, Chicago, IL*
 2017 *YoungArts Los Angeles, Building Bridges Art Exchange, Los Angeles, CA*
 2015 *at PLAY: Rules, Roles, Rituals, Corner, Chicago, IL*

Curated Exhibitions

2019 *Terrain Biennial 2019, centered in Oak Park, IL with sites across the US **
 2019 *Alter (II) with kg, Box Gallery at Terrain Biennial Block Party, Oak Park, IL **
 2018 *Body Informers with Jonathan Korotko, Box Gallery, Chicago, IL*
 2018 *Burial Caul (Gut Sack) with John Harness, Box Gallery, Chicago, IL*
 2018 *YOUARENEVERALWAYSHERE with Alejandro T. Acierto, Box Gallery, Chicago, IL*
 2018 *Schrödinger's cat isn't dead after all with Tom Burtonwood, Box Gallery, Chicago, IL*
 2018 *The Matzah House with Gabrielle Egnater, Box Gallery/Compound Yellow, Chicago, IL*
 2017 *I just want to stay home with Madeleine Aguilar, Box Gallery/The Franklin, Chicago, IL*

- 2017 *Box Gallery* with Yvette Mayorga, Benjamin Cook, Alejandro Acierto, and Steve Juras, 2017 Terrain Biennial, Oak Park, IL
- 2017 *A Crooked Stile* with Jenny Kendler, 2017 Terrain Biennial, Chambers, AZ
- 2017 *Anna Fredrick* with Anna Fredrick, Box Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2017 *Lisa Wicka* with Lisa Wicka, Box Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2017 *Jacklyn Brickman* with Jacklyn Brickman, Box Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2016 *Claire Ashley* with Claire Ashley, Point 1612, Peoria, IL
- 2016 *Sincerity Waves 2016* with Daniel Fromberg, Box Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2016 *Notes We Wrote* with Jessica Bingham, Box Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2016 *Wasteland Smear* with Dave Swensen, Box Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2016 *Rejected* with Heather Brammeier, Box Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2015 *Transplant* with Steve Juras, Box Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2015 *Erin Smego* with Erin Smego, Box Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2015 *Shipping* with Lindsey French, Box Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2015 *To the North Pt. 1* with Kelman Duran, Box Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2015 *Detritus* with Krissy Wilson, Box Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2015 *Klaus Pinter* with Klaus Pinter, Box Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2014 *Urban Resemblance* with Alejandro Franco, Box Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2014 *Rubber Head #1* with Lee Ferdinand, Box Gallery, Chicago, IL

Grants, Fellowships, and Awards

- 2017 *First-Year Scholars Program*, School of the Art Institute of Chicago
- 2016 *Presidential Scholarship*, School of the Art Institute of Chicago
- 2016 *Honorable Mention*, The National YoungArts Foundation
- 2016 *The Jeffrey Ahn, Jr. Fellowship*
- 2015 *Merit Scholarship*, SAIC Early College Program Summer Institute

Professional Experience

- 2019–present *Board member*, Terrain Exhibitions
- 2018–present *Photo Editor and Culler*, Colin Lyons Wedding Photography
- 2018–19 *Exhibitions Assistant Intern*, Chicago Artists Coalition
- 2018 *Development Intern*, ACRE Projects
- 2017 *Contributing Writer*, F Newsmagazine
- 2017 *Assistant Director*, 2017 Terrain Biennial
- 2014–present *Director and Curator*, Box Gallery
- 2013–18 *Graphic Designer*, Chicago Critics Film Festival