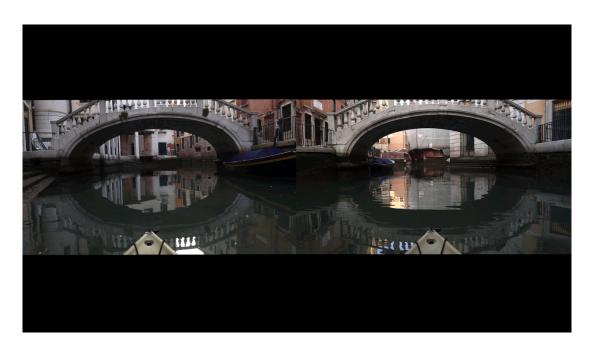
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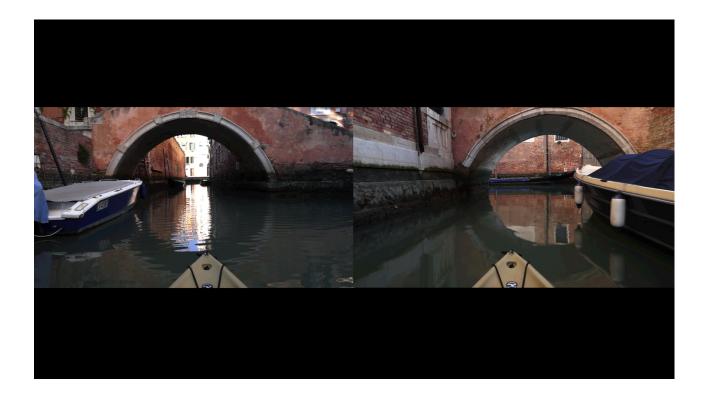
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Trish Clark Gallery is thrilled to present *Sound Anatomy*, our second solo exhibition of Phil Dadson's work. Dadson has been at the forefront of experimentation in intermedia arts since the 70s, working at the intersection of sound, video and performance in a highly collaborative and adaptive practise that has seen him become a significant figure in the canon of contemporary art in New Zealand. *Sound Anatomy* brings Dadson's recent global projects together with dynamic new graphite works on paper.

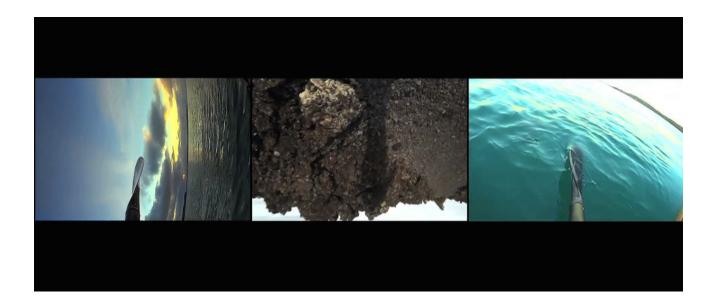
Created earlier this year as part of the Nine Dragon Heads project Jump into the Unknown (an official collateral exhibition of the 2015 Venice Biennale), Anatomia Sonora da Camera tracks Dadson's passage through the canals of Venice on a kayak, creating a sitespecific sound performance that endures as a video work. Combining Dadson's own voice with recordings of religious chants and calls to prayer, these sonic interventions play with the unique acoustics under the low bridges of Venice's back-canals, mingling with the ambient local soundscape to create a stunning, meditative journey.

As a counterpoint to the contemplative peace of Dadson's Venice work, *Heavy Metal* plunges the viewer into an energetic collaboration with employees of the Schmidtsche Schack Factory in Kassel, Germany. Invited by curator Jürgen Olbrich to participate in *Werk/Kunst/Werk*, an exhibition commemorating 125 years of the Metal & Electrics Industry in Nordhessen, Dadson proposed the formation of a percussion ensemble with workers in the factory. Having worked in a Wattie's canning factory as a student, Dadson recalled the interruptions and glitches that intervened in the regularity of the factories clockwork tonality, dwelling at the time on the possibility of choreographing workers and industrial machinery like an orchestra and finally realising this project in *Heavy Metal*.

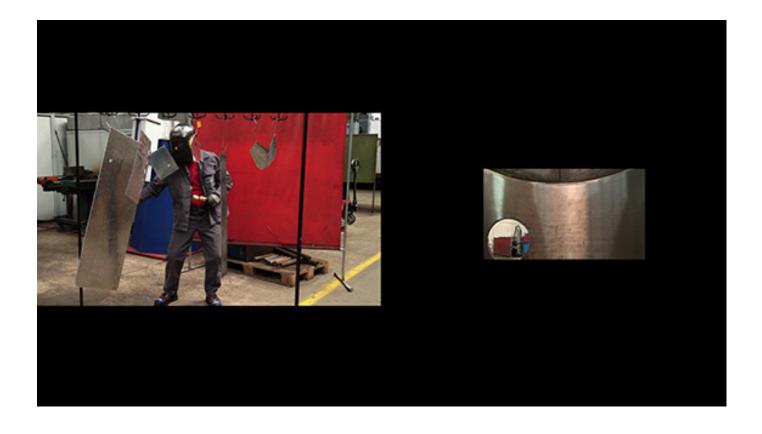
Alongside these video works, *Sound Anatomy* will present *February Music*, the second set in an ongoing series of drawings. Representing a performative drawing practise, Dadson executes one drawing per day throughout one month of each year. Following on from the exuberant *January Music* drawings presented in Dadson's previous solo exhibition at Trish Clark Gallery, these new drawings are grounded in a monochrome palette with sweeping, rhythmic forms.



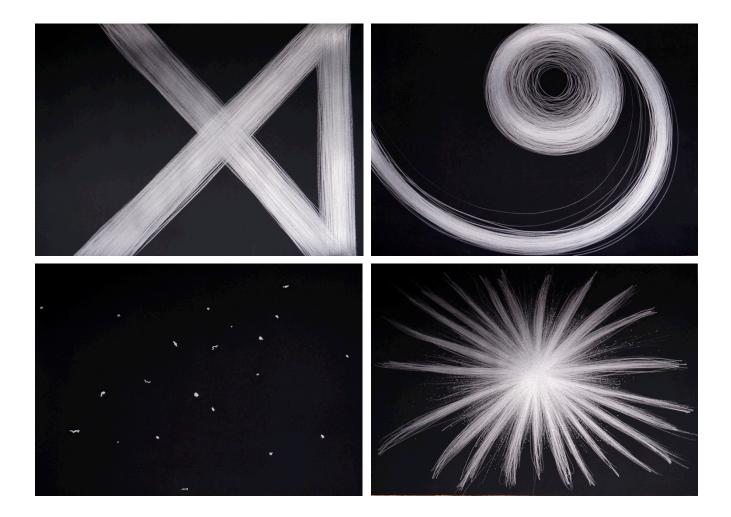
Anatomia Sonora da Camera 2015 Single channel video/audio Duration: 18 minutes Edition: 2 of 7 + 1 AP



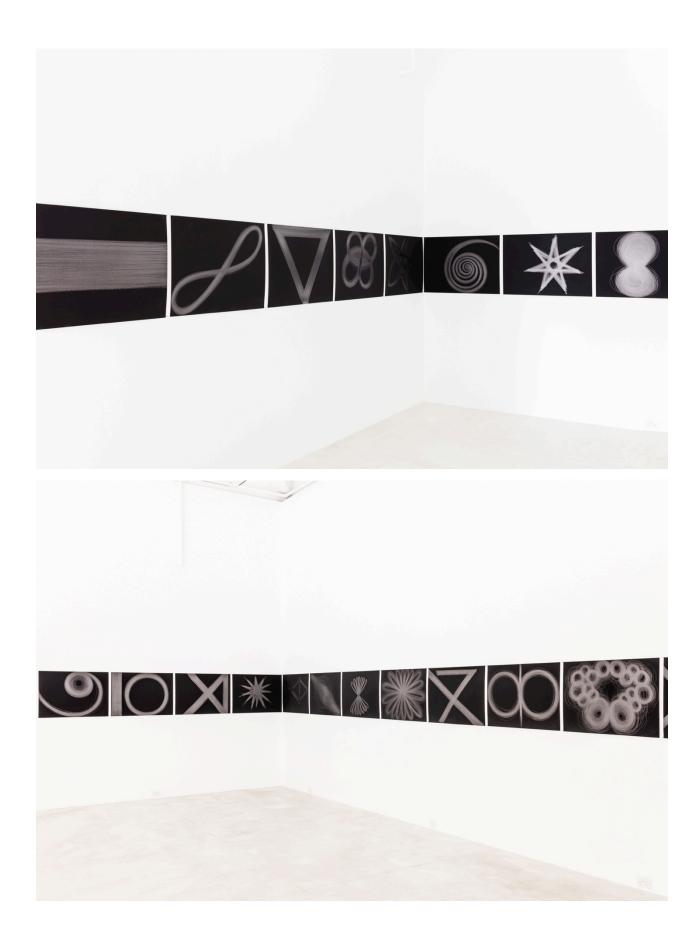
Compass of Frailty 2014/15 Single channel (3-in-1 screen) video/audio Duration: 9 minutes Edition: 1 of 5 + 1 AP



Heavy Metal (Schmidtsche Schack Factory Percussion Ensemble) 2015 2-Channel synchronised digital video/audio Duration: 16 minutes Edition: 2 of 5



*February Music* February 2015. 28 graphite drawings on black painted paper 600 x 830 mm each



*February Music* February 2015. 28 graphite drawings on black painted paper 600 x 830 mm each Installation views



*Alpha / Omega* 2015 Graphite drawing on painted archival paper 1600 x 1730 mm



*Leap* 2015 Graphite drawing on painted archival paper 1520 x 1720 mm



PHIL DADSON

b. 1946, Napier, New Zealand.

### SELECTED PUBLIC AND PRIVATE COLLECTIONS

Didsbury Family Collection, New Zealand Connells Bay Sculpture Park, New Zealand Wellington City Council, New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa Museum of New Zealand Auckland Art Gallery, Toi o Tamaki Permanent Film Collection, MoMA, New York, USA Chartwell Collection, New Zealand Adam Art Gallery: Victoria University University of Auckland Art Collection

# AWARDS, HONOURS, SCHOLARSHIPS, COMMISSIONS & APPOINTMENTS

- 2011 Jury Prize, Wallace Art Awards
- 2010 Artist Cinema Commission
- 2007 Sanskriti Foundation Artist residency, New Delhi, India
- 2006 Nominated for Walters Prize Lanchester Institute of Contemporary Art, Visiting Scholar
- 2005 Order of New Zealand Merit Award
- 2003 Antarctic Artist Fellowship
- 2001 Arts Foundation Artist Laureate Award
- 1994 *Pacific 3,2,1, Zero* awarded Croisette d'Or Grand Prix at the Cannes/Midem Visual Music Award *Pacific 3,2,1, Zero* awarded Best Editing in the NZ Film and TV Awards
- 1991 US Fulbright Scholarship
- 1986 2001 Head of Intermedia / Time-Based Arts, Elam School of Fine Arts, University of Auckland

## SELECTED PERFORMANCES – FROM SCRATCH

- 2003 *Vocal Acrobats (Off the Wall)* AK03 Festival, Auckland (performers Shane Currey, Adrian Croucher, Phil Dadson, with invited guests Koichi Makigami, Mark van Tongeren, Clayton Thomas)
- 2000 2002 *Pacific Plate* Taupo Festival of Arts; NZ Festival Fringe, Wellington (performers; Shane Currey, Adrian Croucher, Phil Dadson)
- 1998 *Global Hockets* NZ International Festival of Arts, Auckland; Hungarian tour: Zeged, Godollo, Eger and Budapest; Ars Electronica, Linz/Austria; Worldwide Video Festival, Amsterdam; Mousonturm, Frankfurt
- 1997 *Homage to the Gods of Hockets* Womad, Auckland; Indonesian tour to Bali Arts Festival, Jakarta International Percussion Festival, and Bandung Muslim University (performers; Shane Currey, Adrian Croucher, Darryn Harkness, Phil Dadson)
- 1996 *Aural Histories, Prayer Wheel* New Music Forum, Jakarta (performer: Phil Dadson)
- 1995 Made in Aotearoa Tochigi City festival of Instruments of the World; Seishin University, Tokyo; Yokohama Art Museum; Bangkok Festival of Music; 17th Asia Pacific Composers conference Shadow Play, Tin-Talk, Torque Devonport Arts Festival, Auckland (performers; James McCarthy, Shane Currey, Phil Dadson) 273 Moons: 21st year celebration Maidment Theatre, Auckland. Including: Carhor Hocket, Fingerpot Rag, Bellpole Hocket (performers: Niki May, Mark Storey, Tim Bowman, Jessica Hindin, Joshna Latrobe, Kim Wesney, Kirston Zemke-White, James McCarthy, Shane Currey, Phil Dadson)
- 1994 *Tok Tok.* Premiered at Sound Symposium, New Foundland; Halifax; Nova Scotia; Auckland (performers: James McCarthy, Phil Dadson)
- 1993 *Pacific, 3,2,1 Zero* major performance-film collaboration with Gregor Nicholas for TV and Theatre release *The Rattle* concerts: Auckland (performers: Wayne Laird, James McCarthy, Phil Dadson)
- 1992 *EYE/DRUM, 6'S & amp; 7'S.* Galaxy Theatre, Auckland; Southern Regions Tour; Asia/Pacific Festival (performers as per 1989)



- 1991 *Songs for Unsung Heros, Zitherums* and *Fax to Paris* Devonport Arts Festival: Brisbane International Music Biennial; Performance Space, Sydney
- 1989-1990 Songs for Heroes International Festival of the Arts, Wellington; Auckland Regional Tour; Rotorua and Waikato Art Museums; Sound/Watching, Aotea Arts Centre, Auckland; Manukau City Arts Festival 'Songs for Unsung Heroes Artspace, Auckland (performers: Neville Hall, James McCarthy, Walter Muller, Phil Dadson)
- 1988 *RHYTHMWHEEL* World Festival of Drums, Expo '88, Australia (performers: Walter Muller, Phil Dadson)
- 1986 Pacific 3,2,1,Zero, Parts 1 & amp; 2 the extended work Performances at: 6th Sydney Biennale, Australia; Auckland; Singapore International Festival of the Arts; Sound/Watching; Aoyama Theatre,Tokyo, Japan; (performers: Joshna LaTrobe, Niki May, Diipali Linwood, Kim Wesney, Alison Henry, Ben Harrop, Deborah Maud, Peter Scholes, Aldas Palubinskas, Don McGlashan, Wayne Laird, Phil Dadson)
- 1982 Pacific 3,2,1,Zero Paris Biennale, tour Europe and USA
- 1980 South pacific Festival of the Arts, Papua New Guinea
- 1979 3<sup>rd</sup> Sydney Biennale

# FILMOGRAPHY

- 2015 Anatomia Sonora Da Camera (18') Single channel video produced for Jump into the Unknown, collateral event by 9Dragon Heads, 56th Venice Biennale
- 2014 *Compass of Frailty* Three channel video installation, produced for 'Unstuck in Time' Te Tuhi Gallery; *Headstamp (Atacama)* Single channel video (5') *Arid Edge (Desert Projects)* Single channel video (7') *Desert Tomb (Desert Projects)* Single channel video (20') (A triad of videos shot in Atacama desert, Chile 2013)
- 2013 The Fate of Things to Come: A Conference of Stones Three channel video (15')
  Sonic Cycles: Bicycle Choir Single channel video 36 x 360s on Wudangshan Single channel video (60')





2012	Yinyangshuo Single channel video
2011	<i>Deep Water</i> Three channel video installation <i>Between Worlds</i> Single channel video <i>Pax</i> Two channel video installation ( <i>Kermadec</i> touring exhibition)
2010	Headstamps -11 Silk Road Rites. Single channel video
2008	Breath of Wind Two channel video
2007	Processional Single channel video (4') Anandagram Single channel video (9') Pabu Single channel video (7')
2006	<i>Bodytok Quintet: The Human Instrument Archive</i> (A continuing project) <i>Incantation</i> Two channel video (8') <i>Arc</i> Single channel video
2005	<i>Terra Incognita (</i> from <i>The Polar Projects</i> ) Three channel video installation, optionally interactive <i>Now</i> Single channel video (7') ostifan-sonics and text
2004	Aerialfarm (from The Polar Projects) Single channel video Stonemap (from The Polar Projects) Three channel video including stonegrind (plus Rock Records drawing suite) Flutter (from The Polar Projects) Chthonian Pulse (from The Polar Projects) Three channel video
2003	<i>Vocal Acrobats</i> Sampler of AK03 (performance with Koichi Makigami, Mark van Tongeren et al) <i>Echo-Logo</i> (from <i>The Polar Projects</i> ) single channel video
2002	<i>LIVE @ REV</i> Live solo performance document (Rev festival of experimental instruments, Brisbane)
2001	Pacific Plate Sampler: From Scratch live performance
2000 -	2001 Mangrove Single channel video (8')
2000	Maya (Orchestral Counter-millenial Fanfare).Single channel video (7')
	<i>Conundrum Quartet: HA, HU, HO, HE</i> Four channel video/audio installations
	<i>PIANO/FORTE</i> Installation document (5'), at Rob/McDougall Contemporary Art Annex
	Conference of Drums Sound-sculpture document (7') Three Short Films Live performance document (15') of 3-part work commissioned by pianist Dan Poynton (intermedia piano work)
1999	<i>Global Hockets</i> From Scratch/Supreme Particles (50') Live performance document



- 1997 Arcs & Sparks Archival film montage with live free-improv. From Scratch audio track
- 1995 An Archeology of Stones Single channel video/audio (15')
- 1994 *Resonance 2* Single channel video/audio (15')
- 1994 *Pacific 3,2,1, Zero. Part 1* Director: Gregor Nicholas From Scratch film performance (20')
- 1992 Laovavasa 36 monitor video wall document (5')
- 1991 *Sounds Stories* Single channel video (60') With fourteen US experimental instrument builders and performers; *Malei Village* Documentary of music of the Tonohu people, Solomon Islands (12')
- 1990 *Footstop Hocket* Devised for 36 monitor video wall (10') (polyrhythmic patterning of feet / shoes)
- 1989 Uncharted Crossing Single channel video/audio (10')
- 1985 *South* 4 x (9') dvds Super 8 experimental film remade as four channel video work 2005. Experimental travel movie made during From Scratch tour, New Zealand
- 1984 *Drum/Sing* Director: Gregor Nicholas (super 16mm) From Scratch film performance (20') (awarded first prize, NewYork Film Festival 1985)
- 1982 *Gung Ho 123D* Video document From Scratch music performance 3 of 7 sections (15')
- 1977 Triad 1 Single channel video/sound performance (13')
- 1976 *Physical* Four channel video
- 1975 Breath: earth/breath, birth/death Two channel video (15')
- 1971 *Earthworks* Single channel recording/performance event:15 diverse earth locations

### SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2015 Sound Anatomy Trish Clark Gallery, New Zealand
- 2014 Parallel Harmonies Trish Clark Gallery, New Zealand
- 2013 CrossCurrents MAC, Santiago, Chile; Peeling the Silence Engine Room Gallery, Wellington, NZ;



*BICYCLE-CHOIR: Sonic Cycling in New Brighton* - commissioned for TEZA (Transitional Economic Zone of Aotearoa) Christchurch, New Zealand

- 2012 BODYTOK QUINTET Te Manawa, Museum of Art, Science and History, New Plymouth; Pataka, Porirua; Otago Museum, Dunedin; Mangere Art Center, Auckland; SCAPE 7 Public Art Biennale, in association with Christchurch Art Gallery, Christchurch
- 2011 Deep Water Starkwhite Gallery, New Zealand
- 2010 *Akau Tangi* Public sculpture commissioned by Wellington Sculpture Trust & Wellington City Council, supported by Meridian Energy.
- 2006 *CONCERTINA* Curated by Dr Leonhard Emmerling, St Paul Street Gallery, AUT, New Zealand *Polar Projects* The Walters Prize Exhibition, Auckland Art Gallery Toi O Tamaki, New Zealand
- 2005 *Tapping the Pulse* NZ Film Archive, New Zealand *Polar Projects* Physics Room, Christchurch; Bowen Gallery, Wellington *TENANTENNAE* Public sculpture commissioned by Connells Bay Sculpture Park, New Zealand
- 2004 *Polar Projects* Dunedin Public Art Gallery, Dunedin; Starkwhite Gallery, Auckland; Gus Fisher Gallery, University of Auckland, Auckland; *Performance* The Physics Room, Christchurch *Stark Audio #3* Starkwhite Gallery, Auckland
- 2003 Solo Performance Impermanent.audio, Sydney, Australia
- 2000 *PIANO / FORTE* The Annex, Christchurch Art Gallery, Te Puna O Waiwhetu, Christchurch, New Zealand
- 1999 Conundrum Quartet Soundculture '99, Artspace, New Zealand

## **SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS**

2015 Jump into the Unknown Collateral Event of the 56<sup>th</sup> La Biennale di Venezia, commissioned by Magda Guruli, Vittori Urbani and Kin Jai Kwan. Facilitated by Nine Dragon Heads at Palazzo Loredan dell'Ambasciatore, Venice Rotterdam International Film Festival (screening of Arid Edge) Rotterdam, Netherlands WERK/KUNST/WERK Curated by Jürgen O. Olbrich, Kulturbahnhof, Kassel, Germany

- 2014 Sounding Tiritiri Matangi II Curated by Phil Dadson. Tiritiri Matangi Open Sanctuary. Hauraki Gulf, New Zealand Unstuck in Time Te Tuhi Gallery, Auckland
- 2013 Sounding Tiritiri Matangi I Curated by Phil Dadson. Tiritiri Matangi Open Sanctuary. Hauraki Gulf, New Zealand Silo Summer of Sculpture Wynyard Quarter, Auckland Lines in the Ocean Museum of Contemporary Art, Santiago, Chile; SCAPE 7, Christchurch, New Zealand
- 2012 VitaminS Improvisers Festival Auckland, New Zealand THINGAMAJIGS: Invented Musical Instruments Festival Berkeley, San Francisco, USA EARSHOT: Jazz Festival Seattle, USA Reflections on John Cage's Influence on the Arts and Mass Culture Streaming Museum, Online (www.streaming museum.org) Peeling the Unseen (with Jin Jiangbo), V Art Center (Space 2), Shanghai, China Sound Full Dunedin Public Art Gallery, Dunedin; City Gallery, Wellington
- 2011 S3D Invented Instrument Orchestra Audio Foundation, Auckland New Zealand International Film Festival (screening of Between Worlds) Auckland, New Zealand Star of Beauty, She'll Be Right: Recent Artists Videos from Aotearoa New Zealand LUX London 3 PAW Facilitated by Nine Dragon Heads, Biel/Bienne Open City, Switzerland Kermadec National Maritime Museum; Tauranga Art Gallery; National Museum of the Royal New Zealand Navy, Te Waka Huia o te Taua Moana o Aotearoa Old Genes: Artists Reading Len Lye Govett Brewster Art Gallery, New Plymouth, New Zealand
- 2010 SuperDeluxe@Artspace 17<sup>th</sup> Biennale of Sydney: "The Beauty of Distance, Songs of Survival in a Precarious Age." Artspace, Sydney, Australia Nomadic Party Arko Art Center, Seoul, South Korea (faciliated by Nine Dragon Heads and Arko Art Center) Living Room: "A Week of Kindness." Auckland Council Public Art - curated by Pontus Kyander
- 2009 *NINE DRAGON HEADS-in-Sarajevo* (Premiere of *Breath of Wind*) Sarajevo, Bosnia
- 2008 Sur Polar: Arte en Antártida (South Polar: Art in Antarctica) Museo de la Universidad Nacional de Tres de Febrero (MUNTREF), Argentina; Museo Tecnológico de México, Mexico City, Mexico (2009); Gallery of the University of Hertfordshire, London (2011).
- 2007 *S3D (ear &eye) Auckland International Festival* Galatos Theatre, Auckland. Collaboration with Akio Suzuki, Bart Hopkin, Yekkoo, Tom





Nunn, Tom Nunn, Walter Kitundu, Graeme Leak, Ernie Althoff, with Marcel Bear, Sam Morrison, James McCarthy & Adam Willetts

- 2005 *REV (real, electronic, virtual)* Workshop and performace, Queensland University of Technology Creative Industries Precinct, Brisbane, Australia
- 2004 *Worldwide Video Festival* (Screening of *Echo Logo* from *Polar Projects*) Amsterdam, Netherlands
- 2003. VOCAL ACROBATS AK03 Auckland Arts Festival, Musical collaboration with Koichi Makigami, Mark van Tongeren, Clayton Thomas, Adrian Croucher and Shane Currey. Video Actions Performace Space, Sydney, Australia
- 2000 *Millenial Year Concert Series* (featuring *MAYA: A Counter Millenial Fanfare*) Auckland Town Hall, New Zealand. Commisioned by The Auckland Philharmonia Orchestra
- 1999 *Global Conceptualism: Points of Origin, 1950s-1980s* Facilitated by Jane Farver, Rachel Weiss and Luis Camnitzer. Queens Museum of Art, New York; Walker Art Center, Minneapolis; Miami Art Museum, Miami; List Visual Arts Center, MIT

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