

# Alayna N Pernell

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## EDUCATION

<b>Photography, Master of Fine Arts</b>	<b>May 2021</b>
The School of the Art Institute of Chicago	
<b>Studio Art, Bachelor of Arts, Summa Cum Laude</b>	<b>May 2019</b>
The University of Alabama	
Minor: African American Studies	
The University of Alabama Honors College	

## RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Milwaukee Artist Resource Network – Program Director	<b>2023-current</b>
University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee – Associate Lecturer	<b>2021-current</b>
ETS AP Art & Design Reader	<b>2023</b>
Milwaukee Artist Resource Network Mentor	<b>2022-2023</b>
BIPOC Photo Mentorship Program Social Media Assistant	<b>2022</b>
Photographer's Green Book & TILT Photography II Instructor	<b>2022</b>
BIPOC Photo Mentorship Program Mentor	<b>2021</b>
School of the Art Institute of Chicago – Social Media Graduate Assistant	<b>2020-2021</b>
School of the Art Institute Department of Photography Parlor Room Committee Organizer	<b>2020-2021</b>
SAIC Senior Photo Studio Seminar Teaching Assistant for LaToya Ruby Frazier, Chicago, IL	<b>2020</b>
SAIC Intermediate Individual Projects Teaching Assistant for Dawit Petros, Chicago, IL	<b>2020</b>
SAIC Advanced Black and White Photography Teaching Assistant for Sasha Phylars-Burgess, Chicago, IL	<b>2020</b>
SAIC Black and White Photography Teaching Assistant for Jessica Pierotti, Chicago, IL	<b>2019</b>
SAIC Intro to Photography Teaching Assistant for Alan Labb, Chicago, IL	<b>2019</b>
The University of Alabama Dance Marathon Assistant of Pre-Production, Tuscaloosa, AL	<b>2018-2019</b>
The University of Alabama Honors College: Art to Life- Student Art Assistant, Tuscaloosa, AL	<b>2018- 2019</b>
Gordo Oaklane Community Center - Summer Instructor, Gordo, AL	<b>2018</b>

## LECTURES/PUBLIC SPEAKING

<i>Artists Now!</i> Guest Speaker at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee	<b>September 2023</b>
<i>Peak Behind the Curtain</i> Artist Talk with Aline Smithson for Center for Fine Art Photography	<b>May 2023</b>
Guest Speaker for Doug DuBois's Photography Class at Syracuse University	<b>March 2023</b>
<i>Our Mothers' Gardens</i> Artist Talk at The Sheldon	<b>February 2023</b>
<i>Star Night</i> Gallery Talk, MARN ART + CULTURE HUB	<b>January 2023</b>
Artist Talk for the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston Teen Curators	<b>October 2021</b>
Guest Speaker for Aaron Hegert's Photography class at Texas Tech University	<b>October 2021</b>
Race and Social Justice in the Arts Series Speaker for Texas Tech University	<b>October 2021</b>
"Contemporary Women Photographers of Color – Perspectives, Processes, Influences"	<b>October 2021</b>
'Source Material' Artist Talk for the Colorado Photographic Arts Center	<b>August 2021</b>
Collaborative Artist Talk for Red Bull Arts with Nour Ballout and Anthony Sims	<b>June 2021</b>
Guest Critique at SAIC for MFA Spring 2021 Critique Week	<b>May 2021</b>
Guest Critique at SAIC for the Intermediate Sculpture class	<b>April 2021</b>
<i>Our Mothers' Gardens</i> Artist Talk for the Griffin Museum of Photography	<b>March 2021</b>
James Weinstein Fellowship Artist Talk	<b>December 2020</b>
Parlor Room Visiting Artist Lecture Series Panelist with Arielle Aïsha Azoulay	
Jenny Rafalson, Ang Zheng, Katie Giritlian and Ana Garcia	<b>September 2020</b>

## EXHIBITIONS

<i>The Susan N. McCollough Fine Arts Initiative – A University of Alabama Biennial Event,</i>	<b>2023</b>
The University of Alabama Gallery, Tuscaloosa, AL – Group Exhibition	
<i>The Street: At the Intersection of Art and Public Space,</i> Museum of Wisconsin Art,	<b>2023</b>
West Bend, WI – Group Exhibition	
<i>HCP 40<sup>th</sup> Center Annual Exhibition,</i> Houston Center for Photography, Houston, TX – Group Exhibition	<b>2023</b>
<i>Black Celebration,</i> San Diego City College Luxe Gallery, San Diego, CA – Group Exhibition	<b>2023</b>

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<i>Practice in Progress</i> , MARN ART + CULTURE HUB, Milwaukee, WI – Group Exhibition	2023
<i>Size Matters</i> , San Diego Mesa College, San Diego, CA – Juried Exhibition	2023
<i>Our Mothers' Gardens</i> , The Sheldon, St. Louis, MO – Solo Exhibition	2023
<i>The Further We Reach, The Closer We See</i> , MARN Art + Culture Hub Milwaukee, WI—Group Exhibition	2022-2023
<i>f22 Fine Art Prints</i> , West Town Pop Up Project, Chicago, IL—Group Exhibition	2022
<i>ART-IN-PLACE</i> , CNL Projects and Terrain Exhibitions, Chicago, IL/Milwaukee, WI – Group Collaboration	2022
<i>Chicago EXPO - The International Exposition of Contemporary &amp; Modern Art</i> , Chicago, IL – Group Exhibition	2022
<i>Positive/Negative 37</i> , Slocumb Galleries, Johnson, TN – Group Exhibition	2022
<i>FEMME</i> , FLXST Contemporary, Chicago, IL – Group Exhibition	2022
<i>The Document is Personal</i> , Refraction Gallery, Milwaukee, WI – Group Exhibition	2021
<i>Homecoming</i> , JKC Gallery, Trenton, NJ – Group Exhibition	2021
<i>Bells for Her</i> , RUSCHWOMAN Gallery, Chicago, IL – Group Exhibition	2021
<i>Our Mothers' Gardens</i> , SRO-Photo Gallery, Texas Tech University – Solo Exhibition	2021
<i>Source Material</i> , Colorado Photographic Arts Center, Denver Colorado – Group Exhibition	2021
<i>Meet Me Where I Am</i> , 062 Gallery, Chicago, IL – Group Exhibition	2021
<i>In The Aftermath</i> , Newton Weinberg Gallery, Chicago, IL – Group Exhibition	2021
BAS Presents: <i>STRAIGHT LICK</i> , Brooklyn Museum, Brooklyn, NY – Virtual Exhibition	2021
<i>Who We Are</i> , Susan Eley Fine Art, Hudson, New York – Virtual Exhibition	2021
<i>Lenscratch Vernacular Exhibition</i> , Lenscratch – Group Exhibition	2021
<i>SAIC Graduate Student Billboard Exhibition</i> , Red Bull Arts, Chicago, IL – Group Exhibition	2021
<i>Our Mothers' Gardens</i> , Griffin Museum of Photography, Winchester, MA—Solo Exhibition	2021
<i>STRAIGHT LICK</i> , Black Art Sessions, New York City, New York – Group Exhibition	2021
<i>SAIC 2021 MFA Graduate Exhibition</i> , SAIC, Chicago, IL – Group Exhibition	2021
<i>The Curated Fridge Spring 2021 Show</i> , The Curated Fridge, Somerville, MA—Virtual Exhibition	2021
<i>Our Mothers' Gardens</i> , Griffin Museum of Photography, Winchester, MA—Virtual Exhibition	2021
<i>SAIC On View Issue No. 1</i> , SAIC On View, Chicago, IL—Group Exhibition	2021
<i>Come Together Right Now</i> , The Chrysler Museum of Art, Norfolk, VA – Group Exhibition	2020
<i>Too Tired For 2020</i> , Too Tired Project, Vermont, USA – Group Exhibition	2020
<i>Postcards to Chicago</i> , The Design Museum of Chicago/Navy Pier, Chicago, IL – Collaboration	2020
<i>This is a Movement, Not a Moment</i> , ARTivism Initiative, Central Massachusetts – Group Exhibition	2020
<i>Corona Portrait Project</i> – Group Exhibition	2020
<i>Black History Month Exhibition</i> , Dinah Washington Cultural Art Center, Tuscaloosa, AL – Group Exhibition	2018
Tuscaloosa, AL – Group Exhibition	
<i>A Look at Us</i> , Ground Floor Contemporary, Birmingham, AL – Group Exhibition	2018
<i>The Mind of Us</i> , The Catalyst, Anniston, AL – Solo Exhibition	2018

### AWARDS AND HONORS

2023-2024 Mary L. Nohl Recipient	2023-2024
2023 Medium Review Black Artist Scholarship Recipient	2023
University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Research Assistance Fund	2022
Silver Eye Center for Photography 2022 Silver List	2022
Photolucida - Critical Mass Top 50	2021
Lenscratch 2021 Student Prize 26 Photographers to Watch	2021
Lenscratch Student Prize Honorable Mention	2021
Lenscratch Vernacular Exhibition Honorable Mention	2021
Museum of Contemporary Photography Snider Prize	2021
SAIC Graduating Student Leadership Award Honorable Mention	2021
James Weinstein Memorial Fellowship	2020-2021
John Chervinsky Emerging Scholarship Finalist	2020
Artivism Initiative Most Relatable Award Recipient	2020
School of the Art Institute of Chicago Incentive Scholarship Award	2019-2021
BFSA Academic Distinction Award	2017-2019

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The University of Alabama President's List	2017-2019
Gailbraith Farley Moody Endowed Scholarship	2017-2018
Barbara Ann Taylor Guthans Scholarship	2018
Darleen Phipps Memorial Endowed Scholarship	2018
Global Health Case Competition Runner Up	2018
Rhoda E. Johnson Award	2018
M. Morgan Memorial Art Scholarship Fund	2017
Paul R. Jones Scholarship	2017
The University of Alabama Dean's List	2015-2016
The Windgate Charitable Foundation Endowed Studio Arts Scholarship	2016
BFSA Academic Excellence Award	2016

### PUBLICATIONS

<i>Artdose Magazine 2023 Summer Issue, Volume 35, Sheboygan, WI 53082</i>	2023
<i>Cream City Review Spring/Summer 2022, Volume 46, Number 1, Milwaukee, WI</i>	2022
<i>Float Magazine</i>	2021
<i>SAIC Photo Department Catalog 2020-21, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL</i>	2020-2021
<i>Black Women Photographers Database</i>	2020
<i>Todo Issue #2, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL</i>	2020
<i>Todo Issue #1, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL</i>	2019
<i>SAIC Photo Department Catalog 2019-20, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL</i>	2019-2020

### PRESS

<a href="#">On Finances and Accessibility: Drew Leventhal and Alayna Pernell in Conversation</a> , May 23, 2023
<a href="#">2023 Nohl Fellowship winners include Mikal Floyd-Pruitt, Janelle VanderKelen</a> , January 4, 2023
<a href="#">Alumna Interviews Former Photo Professor for Online Publication</a> , August 2, 2022
<a href="#">One Year Later: The 2021 Lenscratch Student Prize Winners</a> , July 24, 2022
<a href="#">How We See Ourselves by The Luupe</a> , March 8, 2022
<a href="#">Poignant Pics no. 49 - On Alayna Pernell's "With Care To Ms. Maudelle Bass Weston" — One Twelve</a> , November 14, 2021
<a href="#">Touched, Torn, and Put Together Again: A New Exhibition Explores Los and Healing Through Found Photos</a> , September 2, 2021
<a href="#">At CPAC, revisioning the past, with a more tender today in mind</a> , August 16, 2021
<a href="#">"Source Material" of Colorado Photographic Arts Center to revise the past</a> , August 22, 2021
<a href="#">Lenscratch Student Prize Honorable Mention: Alayna N. Pernell</a> , July 19, 2021
<a href="#">"It's so much more than just an image"</a> , July 25, 2021
<a href="#">Blending History</a> , June 17, 2021
<a href="#">UA Alumna Awarded Prestigious Prize from Museum of Contemporary Photography</a> , June 8, 2021
<a href="#">The Griffin Museum shows 'Spirit'</a> , June 2, 2021
<a href="#">Motherhood Through the Lens of Black Women Photographers</a> , May 9, 2021
<a href="#">Ancestral Connection, Care, Representation and the Power of the Archive</a> , February 11, 2021
<a href="#">Photo Alumna Exhibits at Griffin Museum of Photography</a> , February 2, 2021
<a href="#">UA Alumna Collaborates On Chicago's Navy Pier Re-Design</a> , October 3, 2020
<a href="#">Postcards to Chicago</a> , October 4, 2020
<a href="#">Coming Together: Through the Eyes of Community Photographers</a> , October 22, 2020
<a href="#">Navy Pier Introduces Postcards to Chicago</a> , June 23, 2020

### PUBLISHED WRITINGS

<a href="#">Carrie Mae Weems: The Shape of Things</a> , November 6, 2023
<a href="#">Allison Calteux: Remnants//Relics//Remembrance</a> , November 5, 2023
<a href="#">This is My Mom. Her Name is Denise.: Alayna N. Pernell in Conversation with Jasmine Veronica</a> , November 26, 2023
<a href="#">Las Fotos Self-Expression Awardees: Nilupa Yasmin and Alé Riva</a> , October 19, 2023
<a href="#">Grant Gill: Glowing Images</a> , July 15, 2023

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[Natasha Moustache: LEROZYON \(L-EURO-ZHUHN\)](#) July 7, 2023

[Imagination, Creating Space for Black Women and Non-Binary People and Overcoming: Alayna N. Pernell in Conversation with Arielle Gray](#), February 3, 2023

[Remaining True to Your Artistic Voice, Trusting the Process and Choosing Environments Where Your Voice Will Flourish: Alayna N. Pernell in Conversation with Christian K. Lee](#), February 2, 2023

[Bob Newman: Shadows of Emmett Till](#), December 19, 2022

[Photographers on Photographers: Alayna N. Pernell in Conversation with Allison Grant](#), August 2, 2022

### PERMANENT COLLECTIONS

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Museum of Contemporary Photography

Illinois State Museum