Jess Tolbert

Assistant Professor		University of Texas, El Paso – Department of Art Head of the Jewelry + Metals Program August 2015 – Present (Visiting Assistant Professor 2015-2018)
•		Texas State University, San Marcos – School of Art & Design August 2014 – May 2015
		Southwest School of Art, San Antonio August 2014 – May 2015
Visiting Assistant Professor		University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign – School of Art & Design August 2013 – May 2014
		EDUCATION
2013 2009	•	a-Champaign – Master of Fine Arts: Jewelry and Metal, Magna Cum Laude, Avery Fellowship n Marcos – Bachelor of Fine Arts: Jewelry and Metal, Magna Cum Laude
		GALLERY REPRESENTATION
2018-р	resent Gallery Loupe, Mc	ntclair, NJ
2018-р	resent Gallery 2052, Chic	xago, IL SOLO EXHIBITIONS
2024 2023 2019	TBD Shift > (greater-than)	San Luis Contemporaneo, Ciudad Juárez, Mexico Joan Derryberry Art Gallery, Tennessee Tech University, Cookeville, TN Brooklyn Metal Works, Brooklyn, NY
2018	Hello, My Name Is	El Paso Museum of Art Store, El Paso, TX
		GROUP EXHIBITIONS (selected)
2024	Material Revelation La Frontera	The Galleries, Cabarrus Arts Council, Concord, NC Mingei International Museum, San Diego, CA CECUT, Tijuana, Baja, MX
2023	Earrings Galore La Frontera	Iker Ortiz, Heidi Lowe Gallery, Mexico City, MX Centro Cultural de las Fronteras, UACJ, Ciudad Juárez, MX Stanlee & Gerald Rubin Center for the Visual Arts, El Paso, TX
	Transformative Craft Texas National	Susquehanna Art Museum, Harrisburg, PA The Cole Art Center, SFA Art Galleries, Nacogdoches, TX
2022	Desire Path Small Acts 43 rd Contemporary Crafts	Casa Lü, Mexico City, Mexico City Gallery, San Diego City College, San Diego, CA Mesa Contemporary Arts Museum, Mesa, AZ
2021	Biennial 600: Justice, Equa Worn Preziosa Young	lity, Race, Identity Amarillo Museum of Art, Amarillo, TX Solarium Gallery at Houghton House, Hobart & William Smith Colleges, Geneva, NY Hannah Gallery, Barcelona, Spain
2020	Growth & Evolution Object Permanence Preziosa Young Metal Complexions	DBC International Designer Space, Beijing Design Week, China Baltimore Jewelry Center, Baltimore, MD Inhorgenta Fair, Munich, Germany The Jung Center, Houston, TX
2019	Building on the Body Not-So-Lone-Star Studios:	108 Contemporary, Tulsa, OK A Gathering of Texas Makers Stanlee & Gerald Rubin Center for the Visual Arts, El Paso, TX
2018	Craft Forms Refined	Wayne Art Center, Wayne, PA Biennial at The Cole Art Center, Nacogdoches, TX

	Transformation 10: Contemporary Works in Found Materials, the Elizabeth R. Raphael Founder's Prize,			
		Society for Contemporary Craft, Pittsburgh, PA		
2017	Reliant Objects Duality of Presence	Oregon College of Art & Craft, Portland, OR super + CENTERCOURT, Munich Jewelry Week, Munich, Germany,		
	Duality of Presence	The Blue House, New Orleans, LA, & Stanlee & Gerald Rubin Center for the Visual Arts, El Paso, TX		
	Materials: Hard & Soft	Greater Denton Arts Council, Denton, TX		
	Body of Work	(online) organized by Baltimore Jewelry Center with Google Arts & Culture Institute		
2016	Spirit & Matter	The Jung Center of Houston, Houston, TX		
	Urban Transformations	Texas Trost Society Public Art Project, El Paso, TX		
	CraftTexas 2016 Cooperation Garnish	Houston Center for Contemporary Craft, Houston, TX Brooklyn Metal Works, Brooklyn, NY		
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2015	Beijing International Contemporary Metal & Jewelry Art Exhibition, Beijing, China Adorn Woman Made Gallery, Chicago, IL			
	9th Cheongju International	Cheongju International Craft Biennale, Cheongju, South Korea *Awarded Special Citation		
		RESIDENCIES		
2022 2017	Casa Lü, Mexico City, Mexico Pentaculum, Arrowmont School of Arts & Crafts, Gatlinburg, TN			
2017	Winter Residency, Penland School of Crafts, Penland, NC			
2015	Open Studio Residency, Haystack Mountain School of Crafts, Deer Isle, ME			
2014	Artist in Residence, Metals, Southwest School of Art, San Antonio, TX			
		PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITES (selected)		
2024	Co-Curator, Israel Gomez solo exhibiti	ion. Azul Arena. Ciudad Juárez. MX		
	Co-Curator, Missed Connections, Art Produce Gallery, San Diego, CA			
	Project Manager, Curatorial Consultant, La Frontera, traveling exhibition			
2020	Co-Curator, Amend, online exhibition, catalog, and fundraiser Co-Curator, Passenger, mobile exhibition, Munich Jewelry Week, Munich, Germany			
2019	Co-Curator, Passenger, mobile exhibition, Munich Jeweiry Week, Munich, Germany Co-Curator, The Haul, pop-up exhibition, SNAG Conference, Chicago, IL			
2018	18 Co-Curator, KNOCKOFF, roving, pop-up exhibition, New York City Jewelry Week, New York, NY			
	Symposium Organizer, MINE: Material, Meaning, & Making, Stanlee & Gerald Rubin Center for the Visual Arts and The University of Texas, El			
2017	Paso, TX Co-Curator, Duality of Presence, Munich Jewelry Week, Munich, Germany. The Blue House, New Orleans, & The Stanlee & Gerald Rub			
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2015	Presenter, Notes From the Field, SNAG (Society of North American Goldsmiths) Conference, Boston, MA			
	Curator, Infra-Ordinary, Adorned Spaces, Boston, MA			
		FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS, & AWARDS (selected)		
2022	Paul Hanna Speaker, Texas Associati	on of Schools of Art		
2021	UTEP College of Liberal Arts Finalist, University of Texas Regents' Outstanding Teaching Award			
2020	Loewe Foundation Craft Prize, Finalist, Paris, France			
	Preziosa Young 2020 Winner, Florence, Italy SNAG Educational Endowment Scholarship, Professional, \$1000			
2018	The Elizabeth R. Raphael Founder's Prize, Finalist, Society for Contemporary Craft, Pittsburgh, PA			
	FUNDED RESEARCH GRANTS/ENDOWMENTS (selected)			
2023 2022	The Rachelle Thiewes Endowment, UTEP The Rachelle Thiewes Endowment, UTEP			
2022	Career Enhancement Award, UTEP			
	The Rachelle Thiewes Endowment, UTEP			
2020	University Research Institute Grant, UTEP			
2020 2019	College of Liberal Arts, Dean's Speaker Series, UTEP The Rachelle Thiewes Endowment, UTEP			
2018	Museum & Cultural Affairs Department, Artist Incubator Program Grant, El Paso, TX			