Carla Knopp / USA

Virtual Worlds Artist & Builder

Carla creates allegorical worlds. For 30+ years she painted her scenes, conjuring ideas from the creative painting process. She now builds digital environments for video, immersive VR, and AR experiences. This is a lifelong quest for revelation through artistic query, with common recurring themes.

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Virtual World Building 2019 - 2022

- "The Catacombs", Monaverse, Web-based space https://monaverse.com/spaces/the-catacombs
- "Biomorphia", Monaverse, Web-based space https://monaverse.com/spaces/oxESAxyo7SQi
- "Sign of JSU", Mozilla HUBS, Web-based space https://hubs.mozilla.com/yVfKWBo
- "Pantheon of Minor Deities". Neos
- "Burgunder", "Real100Tech" + various commerce builds, SPACE@spacemetaverse
- "Ballet of the Pits", AltspaceVR
- "Cambrian Museum", AltspaceVR
- "Florid", Somnium Space VR
- "Creators Fund Resident Artist", 20+ installation builds over 6 months, Somnium Space VR
- "Jason Brockette, Avatar host", Stealth installations via hacked avatar, Somnium Space VR

Virtual Exhibitions & Awards

- 2022 Non-Humanoid Winner, Monaverse VRM Custom Avatar Challenge
- 2022 Creator Prize & Interactivity Prize, Monaverse Renaissance Contest, "Biomorphia" build
- 2022 Flora/Fauna Exhibit, Tz1and, curator Melody Owen
- 2022 Monsters Remix Collaboration, Protoworld & VERSUM NFT
- 2021 Bonus Bounty Prize, Filecoin Forum Metaverse Bounty Contest, "The Catacombs" build
- 2021 Somnium Space VR Creators Fund Award, Virtual World-building residency (6 months)
- 2021 FIVARS CleanNFT, Los Angeles and virtual exhibit, video nft:https://teia.art/objkt/415541
- 2021 Museolab: Blending Worlds, SecondLife SLEA, curator Pearl Hyacinth, 360 spheres
- 2021 *Graffiti Queens*, Cryptovoxels

Video Screenings

- 2020 "Firepit", Wild Out Video Festival, Thatalright art space, Taiwan, special mention finalist, video
- 2020 The Choracles, "Cardiff Mini Film Festival", One Minute Wonder, Cardiff, UK, 2D video
- 2020 Morning on Earth (v.2D), "Asia South East-Short Film Festival", Phnom Penh, Cambodia, Special Mention, 2D video
- 2020 Morning on Earth (v.C), "Blackbird Film Festival", Cortland, NY, 360 video
- 2020 Morning on Earth (v.2D), Indianapolis International Airport, IN, 2D video
- 2019 LIE, Gstaadfilm: International Festival for Short Art Films, Leipzig, Germany, 2D video
- 2019 Morning on Earth (v.C), "Cairo Video Festival", Cairo, Egypt, 360 video
- 2019 Morning on Earth (v.C), "Cube Fest", Virginia Tech, 360 video projected onto The Cube/Cyclorama, a 4-story sound and display environment
- 2019 LIE, "West Virginia Moutaineer Short Film Festival", Morgantown, WV, 2D video
- 2019 LIE, "Revolutions Per Minute Fest", Umass, Boston, MA, 2D video
- 2019 Morning on Earth (v.2), "The Video Show", Gallery 924, Indianapolis, 360 video
- 2019 Morning on Earth (v.C), The Last Picture Show, Thunder-Sky, Cincinnati, OH, 360 video, 2D video montage
- 2018 The Day After Tomorrow, 'Permeable Boundaries', Plexus Projects, Brooklyn, NY, 2D video
- 2018 The Choracles, "Art From the Heartland", Indianapolis Art Center, Indianapolis, IN, 2D video
- 2018 In Waiting, Time Warp", Thunder-Sky, Cincinnati, OH & Pique, Covington, KY, 2D video and painting
- 2017 Chapel Hill, "Always on My Mind", Pique, Covington, KY, Chapel Hill 2D video

Exhibitions (non-Virtual)

- 2022 SPRING/BREAK Art Show, NYC, curator David Frye and Gwendolyn Skaggs, AR experience
- 2021 FIVARS CleanNFT, Los Angeles and virtual exhibit, video
- 2019 CHROMA, Indianapolis Art Center, Indianapolis, IN, paintings
- 2017 *Curio Cabinet*, Indianapolis Art Center, Indianapolis, IN, sculpture
- 2017 Thunder Snow!, Thunder-Sky, Cincinnati, OH, 3D printed sculpture
- 2016 Foodbox Portals, art@11 Gallery, Indianapolis, IN, paintings, solo
- 2016 Flourish, Thunder-Sky, Cincinnati, OH, sculpture installation, 2-person
- 2016 Summer Landscape, Harrison Center for the Arts, Indianapolis, painting
- 2015 Flight, IMOCA, Indianapolis, IN, window installation, solo
- 2015 Water, Gallery 924, Indianapolis, IN, painting
- 2014 431 Gallery: Art and Impact, Indiana State Museum & Historical Sites, Indianapolis IN
- 2014 The Contemporary Landscape Show: New Directions for an Indiana Tradition,

Gallery 924, Indianapolis, IN, painting
Further, IndyReads, Indianapolis, IN, paintings, solo
Still Lifes,Landscapes,and Posers, threesquared, Nashville TN, paintings, curated by Mary Addison Hackett
<i>Tenses of Landscape</i> , University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AK, painting, curated by Sam King and Christopher Lawrence
Kinkaid Meets Turner, Paints Sci-fi With Fanbrush, Dewclaw, Indianapolis, paintings, solo
Abstrunkt, Winona, State University, Winona, MN, 3-person curated by Vittorio Colaizzi
Lineup, round 4 (From the Gut, With Heart), Sugar, curated by Gwendolyn Skaggs, Brooklyn NY
UIndy Biannual Painting Exhibition, Christel DeHaan Fine Arts Center, Indianapolis, IN
Asynchronous Salon, Herron School of Art & design, Indianapolis IN, curator, 4-person
Sun Was Yellow, Sky Was Blue, Russell/Projects, Richmond VA, , painting
Spawn, Harrison Gallery, Indianapolis IN, paintings, solo
New American Paintings #83, competition in print, juror Lynne Warren, paintings
Giganticism, Silas Marder Gallery, Bridgehampton NY, painting
A Taste of Sugar, Sugar, Brooklyn NY, curated by Gwendolyn Skaggs, painting
Mounts, 4 Star Gallery, Indianapolis IN, paintings, solo
The Big Show 3, Silas Marder Gallery, Bridgehampton NY, paintings
J <i>esus and Her Gospel of Yes</i> , CB's 313 Gallery, NYC, paintings, curated by Alfred Eaker
Group & solo shows, In Vivo Gallery, Utrillo's Gallery, both Indianapolis
Group, solo & juried shows in Southern and Midwestern US

Projects

2019	Virtual Worlds for Video, On-line tutorial course for making original virtual reality content. 5+ hours, 30+ lessons.
2017-present	Olgaforce3D, Cinematic VR production, XR projects
2013-2016	IndyBAM, An ongoing performance piece, featuring mobile art displays pulled by bike along the Indianapolis Cultural Trail. Displays changed monthly. Performances ran several times a week.
2011-2014	Dewclaw Gallery, Director/Curator
2008-2014	Rocktown, Indiana: Art & Life in Mystical Middle America, A life & art blog.
1995-1998	Utrillovision, Editor and Co-Producer, Cable Access TV program showcasing Midwestern artists, poets, and musicians.

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