

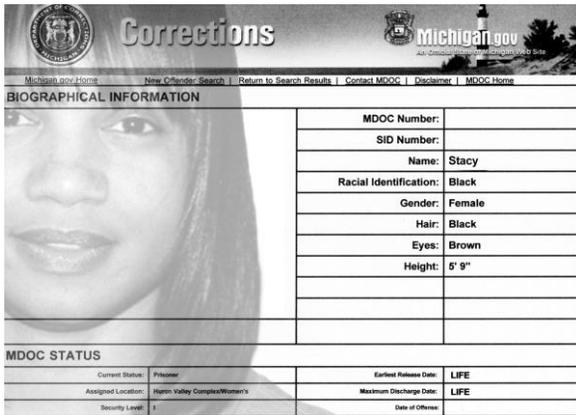


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# Carol Jacobsen: *Life on Trial*

March 7 - April 6, 2019



Denise Bibro Fine Art, Chelsea, NYC is pleased to present *Life on Trial*, a video installation and photography by Carol Jacobsen, running March 7 – April 6, 2019.

The exhibition includes *Life on Trial*, a video installation that investigates women’s criminalization from the perspective of a woman who killed her rapist in self-defense. She was then convicted to first-degree murder and sentenced to life in prison. She was named plaintiff on six different lawsuits against the State for sexual assaults by guards and other issues on behalf of women prisoners. Also exhibited is *Letters of the Law*, a photographic series on incarcerated women with whom Jacobsen has worked through her nonprofit, Michigan Women’s Justice & Clemency. Her work has helped free 13 women from life sentences.

*Life on Trial*, 2019. Video installation and photography

Carol Jacobsen is an award-winning artist whose work actively confronts issues of women’s criminalization, human rights and censorship. Her films and photography have been exhibited and screened worldwide, including Lincoln Center, New York; Cultura Contemporanea, Barcelona; Kunstforum; Bonn and many others. She has received awards from the National Endowment for the Arts, Paul Robeson Foundation, Women in Film Foundation, and others. Her exhibitions and screenings in New York and abroad have been sponsored by Amnesty International since 1998. Her book, *For Dear Life: Women’s Decriminalization and Human Rights* will be featured in a discussion with the artists exhibiting in *MSDEMEANORS* and their books on April 4, 6-8 pm. She is Professor of Art and Women’s Studies at The University of Michigan and serves as Director of the Michigan Women’s Justice & Clemency Project. She has given talks and lectures including Oxford University in England and John Jay College of Criminal Justice in New York.

This exhibition is co-sponsored by Amnesty International, with support from The University of Michigan Office of Research, Institute for the Humanities, the Penny W. Stamps School of Art & Design, and Institute for Research on Women and Gender. If you are interested in learning more about Jacobsen’s nonprofit please visit: <http://www.umich.edu/~clemency>.

There will be a panel discussion with the artists about their work and books at the gallery on Thursday, April 4, 6-8pm.

Opening reception is Thursday, March 7, 6-8pm. The artist will be present.

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