

ARTIST TALK:

Lia Halloran in conversation with Jori Finkel and Janna Levin
Saturday, December 14, 2:00 – 3:00 PM



THE SPEAKERS:

Lia Halloran

Lia Halloran (b.1977, Chicago, IL) lives and works in Los Angeles, CA. Halloran received a BFA from the University of California, Los Angeles in 1999 and an MFA in Painting and Printmaking from Yale University in 2001. She is the recipient of various awards including a C.O.L.A Master Art Fellowship in 2020; 2018 LUX Art Institute Artist Residency and exhibition, Encinitas, CA; 2018 Artist Residency at the American Natural History Museum Astrophysics Department, New York, NY; 2018 Pioneer Works Artist in Residency, Brooklyn, NY; and a 2016 Art Works Grant from the National Endowment of the Arts for the project *Your Body is a Space that Sees*.

Jori Finkel

Jori Finkel writes about art for *The New York Times* and *The Art Newspaper* with particular attention to gender issues. In 2018 she developed and co-produced for PBS the Emmy-nominated documentary *Artist and Mother*. Her book *It Speaks to Me: Art that Inspires Artists* was called “an argument for why art museums matter” by *New York* magazine. She lectures regularly at museums and art fairs and appears on broadcasts and podcasts as part of her larger project of making contemporary art more accessible. She won the 2023 Rabkin Prize for excellence in cultural journalism.

Janna Levin

Janna Levin is a Professor of Physics and Astronomy at Barnard College of Columbia University. She is also the Founding Director of the Science Studios at Pioneer Works in Brooklyn, NY. A Guggenheim Fellow, Janna has contributed to an understanding of black holes, the cosmology of extra dimensions, and gravitational waves in the shape of spacetime. She is the presenter of the NOVA feature Black Hole Apocalypse, aired on PBS—the first female presenter for NOVA in 35 years. Her previous books include How the Universe Got Its Spots and a novel, A Madman Dreams of Turing Machines, which won the PEN/Bingham Prize, and Black Hole Blues and Other Songs from Outer Space. Her most recent book is Black Hole Survive Guide which features original artwork by Lia Halloran.