

# Alyson Baker



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**Alyson Baker** is the Executive Director of The Aldrich Contemporary Art Museum. Prior to this position, she was the Executive Director of Socrates Sculpture Park (2000 - 2011), an internationally renowned outdoor museum and artist residency program located in a five-acre New York City park. Baker was Director of Pat Hearn Gallery (1987 - 1992), an Associate Director of Gagosian Gallery (1992 - 1997), Curatorial Assistant in the Contemporary Art Department at the Carnegie Museum of Art and Assistant to the 1999 Carnegie International exhibition (1998 - 2000).

With over twenty-five years of experience in the arts, Baker has worked on more than a 150 exhibitions with over 500 artists including projects with emerging and internationally recognized artists, as well historical exhibitions.

As a curator and project coordinator, Baker has authored and edited numerous publications on contemporary art and has lectured on subjects such as cultural models for community development, public art, arts management, and curatorial practice at institutions across the country.

Baker is a co-founder and former President of the Long Island City Cultural Alliance, a non-profit partnership of cultural organizations working to strengthen this vibrant New York City neighborhood where she also served on the community board.

In 2009, Baker founded an annual craft and design fair called Makers Market and in 2011 she established an architectural studio residency and exhibition program at Socrates Sculpture Park in partnership with The Architectural League of New York.

Over the past two years, Baker worked in collaboration with The Noguchi Museum to produce Civic Action - an ongoing artist-driven urban development and visioning project.

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