

# Laura Kikauka

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**Laura Kikauka** (born 1963, Hamilton, Ontario) is a Canadian installation and performance artist. Kikauka builds sculptural installations and performances incorporating found objects and electronics. She has built two long-term Funny Farm installations in her homes in Meaford, Ontario, and Berlin, Germany.<sup>[1]</sup> Her aesthetic has been described as kitsch, while also being compared to self-organizing systems.<sup>[2]</sup> She has collaborated with New Media artist Norman White, notably on "Them Fuckin' Robots" (1988). Her partner is Canadian sound artist Gordon Monahan.<sup>[3]</sup>

## Notable Exhibitions and Performances

- FOR THE LOVE OF GAUD/ Damien's Worst (2008/2009). Berlin, Germany/Toronto, Ontario.
- Celebration of Failure (2009). SpaceX, Exeter, England.
- Exactly the Same, but Completely Different (2004). The Power Plant, Toronto.
- Tune In, Turn On (1997). YYZ, Toronto, Canada
- Barbie Bumps her Head (1994). Martin Gropius Bau, Berlin
- Machine Storm (1994). Kampnagel, Hamburg, Germany
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- Tinkerer's Ball (1991). The Exploratorium, San Francisco, California.
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