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Christopher Meyer  
cast iron

### The Artist:

*Masked Consciousness* is a body cast self-portrait depicting the artist wearing a facemask. The casting itself is left rough to allude to the conditions created by the pandemic and the uncomfortable burden of wearing a mask. The sculpture is positioned face-up on a pedestal forcing the viewer to look down on the mask wearer.

The work acknowledges the wearing of facemasks as a preventative measure or an action to protect us from becoming ill or infecting others. The very content of this work cannot help but recognize the politicization, by some, of the facemask as a symbol of oppression of individual liberties.

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