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Education

Western University, Masters of Fine Arts, Dean's List Distinction, London, ON

University of Ottawa, Major Bachelor of Fine Arts, Minor Women Studies, Dean's List Distinction

Solo Exhibitions/ Screenings/ Performances

Topkino Cinema, Private Sponsors and Green Party Representatives, "Dear Sister."
Vienna, Austria, 2016

SomoS, Curated by Paulus Fugers, "Cinema Conversación."
Berlin, Germany, 2016

AX Gallery, Curated by Sousan Sohi and Saied Sharifi, "Dear Sister."
Berlin, Germany, 2016

Kaapelitehdas-Cable Factory, Curated By Hanna Uusi-Seppä, "Art Fair Suomi."
Helsinki, Finland, 2015

Carleton University Art Gallery, Curated by Jaclyn Meloche, "Coalesce."
Ottawa, ON, 2015

Women's Studio Workshop, Curated by Heige Kim, "August Art Festival."
Rosendale, NY, 2015

Xpace Cultural Centre, Curated by FADO and Kate Barry, "11:45."
Toronto, ON, 2014

Williams College Museum of Art, Curated by Ph.D. Maurita N. Poole, "Oriental Barbie."
MA, USA, 2013

Group Exhibitions/ Screenings

Cinema Politica and Vtape, Unsettling 150, "Sound of Strings."
National Screening, Canada, 2017

SAW Gallery, Curated by Jason St. Laurent, "The Last Picture Show."
Ottawa, ON, 2017

Good Sport, Curated by Taylor Doyle, "Video Sport: Alone Together."
London, ON, 2017

APA Galeria, Curated by Katherina Swoboda and Mare Van Koningsveld. "The Frame that Blinds Us."
Budapest, Hungary, 2017

Onnasis Cultural Centre, Curated by Medea Electronique, "Diasporas in Dialogue: Multiculturalism, Migration and the Improvisatory Imagination."
Athens, Greece, 2016

Nieuwe Vide, Curated by Mare Van Koningsveld and Lennard Dost, "Migration World Cinema."
Haarlem, Netherlands, 2016

The Open Gallery, Curated by Barbora Raceviciute, "Ways of Being Here."
Toronto, Canada, 2016

Place Bonaventure, Curated by Anais Castro and Marie Josee Rousseau, "Art Souterrain."
Montreal, Canada, 2016

Le Centre D'Art, Curated by Sasha Huber, "Performance Voyage 5."
Ville De Port-Au-Prince, Haiti, 2016

Pao Festival, Curated by MUU Galleria, "Performance Voyage 5."
Oslo, Norway, 2015

Trinity Square Video, Curated by Timo Soppela, "Performance Voyage 5."
Toronto, ON, 2015

SAW Gallery, Curated by Timo Soppela, "Performance Voyage 5."
Ottawa, ON, 2015

Finnish Institute in Stockholm, Curated by Timo Soppela, "Performance Voyage 5."
Stockholm, Sweden, 2015

MaxArtFest, A Contemporary Art Festival, Curated by Timo Soppela, "Performance Voyage 5."
Zagreb, Croatia, 2015

New Performance: Turku Festival, Curated by Timo Soppela. "Performance Voyage 5."
Turku, Finland, 2015

MUU Galleria, Curated by Timo Soppela, "Performance Voyage 5."

Helsinki, Finland, 2015

Kunst Am Spreeknäe – Schöne Weide Art Festival, Curated by Timo Soppela, "LANDSCAPE – METROPOLIS & Performance Voyage 5."

Berlin, Germany, 2015

Snehta Residency, Curated by MUU Galleria, "Performance Voyage 5."

Athens, Greece, 2015

Totaldabže Art Centre, Curated by MUU Galleria "Urban Poetry Festival."

Riga, Latvia, 2015

Miami International Performance Festival '15, Curated by MUU Galleria, "PV5."

Miami, USA, 2015

Kunst Am Spreeknäe, Curated by MUU Galleria, "Schöne Weide Art Festival 2015."

Berlin, Germany, 2015

Studio 103, Artscape Youngplace, Curated By Lo Bil, "Process 9."

Toronto, ON, 2015

[.BOX] Videoart Project Space, Curated by MUU Galleria, "Performance Voyage 5."

Milan, Italy, 2015

Stichting Ruimtevaart, Curated by MUU Galleria, "Performance Voyage 5."

Den Haag, The Netherlands, 2015

Petersburger Salon, Curated By Pitt Sauerwein, "Something Magic."

Hamburg, Germany, 2014

Studio Das Weisse Haus, Guided Tour by Lucas Cuturi "Vienna Art Week: Studio Visit."

Vienna, Austria, 2014

Fluc, Curated By Ursula Maria Probst, "Pocket of Resistance."

Vienna, Austria, 2014

Kunsthau Graz Museum, Curated by Gregor Krammer, "B the Beat Festival."

Graz, Austria, 2014

Arts Court, Curated by Julie Tucker & Azarin Sohrabkhani, "Ottawa International Animation Festival: Disney Made Me Do It."

Ottawa, ON, 2014

PDA Projects, Curated by Brendan A. DeMontigny and Meredith Snider, "PDA Launch."

Ottawa, ON, 2014

Clemente Soto Velez Cultural Centre, Curated by Joel Kuennen and Artslant, "Cutlog NY."

New York, USA, 2014

Xspace Cultural Centre, Curated by FADO and Kate Barry, "11:45."
Toronto, ON, 2014

Rosenthal Gallery, Curated by Aziz Sohail, "Islam Contemporary."
North Carolina, USA, 2014

Performance Space, Curated by Maria Unpronounceable, "Toothache Duets."
London, UK, 2013

SAW Gallery, Curated by Jason St. Laurent, "Transformer. The Body Remixed."
Ottawa, ON, 2013

Lichtenstein Center for the Arts, Curated by Abdul Aziz Sohail, "Islam Contemporary."
MA, US, 2013

Oriental Charm, Curated by Beth Greenhorn and Andrea Stokes, "Chinatown Remixed."
Ottawa, ON, 2013

University of Ottawa, Curated by the Graduating Students, "Momentum."
Ottawa, ON, 2013

La Petite Mort Gallery, Curated by Guy Berube, "National Geographic Goes Ghetto."
Ottawa, ON, 2012

Nuit Blanche, Curated by Meredith Snider, "Life is Beautiful."
Ottawa, ON, 2012

Villa Kuriosom, Curated by Amirali Ghasemi and Friederike Berat, "It's Normal."
Berlin, Germany, 2012

Orange Art Gallery, Curated by Ashley White, "Art and Afghan Women: From Kabul to the Capital."
Ottawa, ON, 2012

SAW Gallery, Curated by PhD. Andrea Fitzpatrick, "Ciphers: Tension with Tradition in Contemporary Iranian Photography."
Ottawa, ON, 2012

Paradigm Gallery, Dean of Visual Arts Gallery, University of Ottawa.
Ottawa, ON, 2012

St Brigids Center for the Arts, Curated by Wanda Fletcher, "Wicked Wanda's Spring Show."
Ottawa, ON, 2011

Shanghai, Curated by Agitate: Queer Women of Colour Collective.

Ottawa, ON, 2011

Gallery 115, University of Ottawa Gallery, Curated by Professor Lorraine Gilbert, “Large Format Photography”

Ottawa, ON, 2011

La Petite Mort Gallery, Curated by Andrew Gayed and Taylor Norris, “Vasa Joins Mort.”

Ottawa, ON, 2011

SAW Gallery, Curated by Agitate: Queer Women of Colour Collective.

Ottawa, ON, 2010

Ambassador’s Gala, Received highest bid on piece titled, *Justice*, “Art Auction.”

Ottawa, ON, 2010

Collaborative Performances

The Power Plant Contemporary Art Gallery, Directed by Franz Erhard Walther, “Call to Action.”

Toronto, 2016

The Power Plant Contemporary Art Gallery, Directed by Ryan McNamara, “Several Interventions in the Course of Two Hours.”

Toronto, 2016

Nuit Blanche Toronto, Directed by Christof Mignon, “Hit Parade.” 2015

Awards & Commissions

Ontario Graduate Scholarship, Shortlist, 2017

Chairs Discretionary Fund, Academic, 2017

Alumni Graduate Award, Academic, 2017

Jeux De La Francophonie, Team Canada, Finalist, Federal, 2016

Council For the Arts Travel Grant, Federal, 2016

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council, Joseph- Armand Bombardier Canada Graduate Scholarship, Federal, 2016

Western Graduate Research Scholarship, Academic, 2016

Dean’s Entrance Scholarship, Academic, 2016

Chair’s Entrance Scholarship, Academic, 2016

Canada Council for the Arts Travel Grant, Federal, 2015

Conseil Des Arts et Des Lettres Du Quebec Grant for Research/Production in Film Video, Provincial, 2015

LOOP Discovery Award, Shortlist, Barcelona, International, 2015

Conseil Des Arts et Des Lettres Du Quebec Grant for Research/Production in Digital Arts, Provincial, 2014
Canada Council for the Arts Travel Grant, Federal, 2014
Sponsored Membership, Art Engine, Municipal, 2014
Ottawa International Animation Festival, Commission, Ottawa, 2014
SAW Gallery, Commission, Light Box for Transformer: The Body Remixed, Ottawa, 2014
City of Ottawa Direct Art Purchase, Shortlist, Municipal, 2013
BMO Financial Group 1st Art! Invitational Student Art Competition, Shortlist, Federal, 2013
Ottawa Art Gallery Graduating Student Award of Excellence, Academic, 2013
Dean's List Merit Scholarship, Academic, 2012
SAW Video Award, Municipal, 2012
New Perspective Conference, Dean of Research, University of Ottawa, Topic: Perspectives of Aging, Academic, 2011

Residencies

Koumaria Residency, Medea Electronique, Sellasia, Sparta, Greece, 2016
AX Gallery, Berlin Germany, 2016
MUU Galleria, Helsinki, Finland, 2015
Studio Das Weisse Haus, Vienna, Austria, 2014
Artslant Georgia Fee Artist/ Writer Residency, Paris, 2014

Work Related Experience

Studio Assistant, Wafaa Bilal Studio, Visual Artist, New York, 2017
Studio Mentor, Ottawa School of Art, Ottawa, 2017-2018
Teacher's Assistant, Advanced Media, London, On, 2016-2018
Gallery Assistant, PowerPlant Contemporary Art Centre, Toronto, 2016
Gallery Assistant, Mercer Union Artist- Run Centre, Toronto, 2016
Photographer and Blogger, Michelle Illuminato, Visual Artist, Pittsburg, 2015
Studio Assistant, Daniel Joliffe, Electronic Media Artist, Montreal, 2014
Studio Assistant, Jonathan Hobin, Photographer and Artistic Director, Ottawa, 2013
Photographer, LGBTQ International Film Festival Ottawa, 2012

Mentors

Cindy Sherman, NYC, NY
Wafaa Bilal, NYC, NY
Andrea D. Fitzpatrick, Ottawa, ON
Daniela Snepkova, Toronto, ON

Mentoring

Ottawa School of Art, Ottawa, 2017-2018

Juries

Assistant Juror, Arab Documentary Photography Program, Magnum Foundation, NYC, NY, 2017

Presentations/ Guest Lecturer

University of Ottawa, Women and Media, Ottawa, ON, 2017
Onassis Cultural Center, Diasporas in Dialogue: Multiculturalism, Migration and the Improvisatory Imagination, Athens, 2016.
Studio XX, Rah, Montreal, Canada, 2016
Isabel Bader Centre For Performance Art, Performance and Media, Kingston, Canada, 2016
University of Ottawa, Contemporary Art of the Middle East, Ottawa, Canada, 2016
University of Ottawa, Women and Media, Ottawa, Canada, 2016
Alfred University, Rah Eleh: Studio Visits, Alfred NY, USA, 2015
Grünes Haus, Mahsa Abdolzadeh: Homosexuelle Frauen im Iran, Graz, Austria, 2015
Hart House, Peggy Gale: Rose-Coloured Glasses for Toronto Video, Toronto, Canada, 2015
University of Ottawa, Sculpture and Transformation, Ottawa, Canada, 2015
University of Ottawa, "Art, Globalization, and Cultural Hybridities," Ottawa, Canada, 2015
SPAO, "The Shrinking World of Photography Symposium," Ottawa, Canada, 2015
LPM Gallery, "Light Painting with Raheleh Saneie," Ottawa, Canada, 2013
Pecha Kucha Global Event, "Hidden Heroes" Ottawa, Canada, 2013

Publications/ Press

Women, Video and Avant Garde Filmmakers: Rah Eleh, Vol.15, Cinewomen Cahier, Paris, 2015
Rah, Point Magazine, Toronto, 2015
Artist Talk on Persian Radio, Orange Radio, Vienna, 2014
Vienna: The Street Art Waltz, Veronica Pozzi, European Magazine, Berlin, 2014
Georgia Fee Artist Writer Residency, Joel Kuennen, Artslant, New York, 2014
Raheleh Saneie's WhiteFace Parody, Six Pillars To Persia, 2014
Shading the Orient, Lital Khaikin, Guerilla Art Magazine, Ottawa, 2014
Art Journal, Volume 8, Ph.D Francine Dagenais, Tehran, Iran 2012
Rarely Seen Side of Iran on Display at Saw Gallery, Metro, Ottawa, 2012
Freedom with Restraint, Samantha Everts, Capital Xtra, Ottawa, 2011
Simorgh Success Stories: Raheleh Saneie, Pouya Keshtgani, Ottawa, 2010

Collections

University of Ottawa, Library Acquisition, 2017
Concordia University, Library Acquisition, 2017
University of Ottawa, Library Acquisition, 2016
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