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EDUCATION

2006	MFA, Yale University School of Art, New Haven, CT
2004	BFA, Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR BA, Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR

SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

(* indicates a publication)

2022	*The Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, CA KM21, The Hague, Netherlands
2021	Skid Mark, Pilar Corrias, London, England Chalk Mark, Pilar Corrias, London, England It Was as if the Shadows Were Lit Up, Longlati Foundation, Shanghai, China
2020	Genealogy Study of Artists #6: Tala Madani Animation - Chit Chat, SSSStart Research Centre, Start Museum, Shanghai, China Winter Light, Southbank Centre, London, England
2019	Shit Moms, David Kordansky Gallery, Los Angeles, CA Oven Light, Portikus, Frankfurt, Germany MAM Project 027, curated by Reiko Tsubaki, Mori Art Museum, Tokyo, Japan *Shit Moms, Secession, Vienna, Austria
2018	Corner Projections, 303 Gallery, New York, NY
2017	*La Panacée – Centre de Culture Contemporaine, Montpellier, France, organized by Nicolas Bourriaud
2016	Shitty Disco, Pilar Corrias, London, England



	*First Light, co-organized by Kelly Shindler and Henriette Huldisch, Contemporary Art Museum, St. Louis, MO *First Light, curated by Henriette Huldisch, MIT List Visual Arts Center, Cambridge, MA
2015	Smiley has no nose, David Kordansky Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
2014	Rear Projection, Centro Andaluz de Arte Contemporáneo, Seville, Spain Abstract Pussy, Pilar Corrias, London, England Nottingham Contemporary, Nottingham, England
2013	Rip Image, Moderna Museet, Malmö; Moderna Museet, Stockholm, Sweden Utah Museum of Contemporary Art, Salt Lake City, UT
2011	The Jinn, Stedelijk Museum Bureau, Amsterdam, Netherlands Manual Man, Pilar Corrias, London, England
2010	Pictograms, Lombard-Freid Projects, New York, NY
2009	Dazzle Men, Pilar Corrias, London, England
2008	ASS•AS•SIN: hashish anyone?, Lombard-Freid Projects, New York, NY
2007	Smoke and Mirrors, Lombard-Freid Projects, New York, NY
2006	Cake Men, Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

(* indicates a publication)

2022	*Luncheon on the Grass, Jeffrey Deitch, Los Angeles, CA
	Fata Morgana, Jeu de Paume, Paris, France
	Touch, Espoo Museum of Modern Art (EMMA), Espoo, Finland

*Portals, curated by Elina Kountouri and Madeleine Grynszteijn, former Public Tobacco Factory – Hellenic Parliament Library and Printing House, Athens, Greece
*One Escape at a Time, 11th Seoul Mediacity Biennale, Seoul Museum of

Art (SeMA), Seoul, South Korea



*On the Basis of Art: 150 Years of Women at Yale, organized by Elisabeth Hodermarsky, The Yale University Art Gallery, New Haven, CT 11th Seoul Mediacity Biennale: One Escape at a Time, Seoul Museum of Art, Seoul, South Korea

Above Us Only Sky, Nitja Center for Contemporary Art, Lillistrøm, Norway Unsettled Objects, Sharjah Art Foundation, Sharjah Art Museum, Al Shuwaiheen Arts Area, Sharjah, United Arab Emirates L'Invitation au voyage, Esther Schipper, Berlin, Germany Epic Iran, Victoria and Albert Museum, London, England House Parté, curated by Carlye Packer, Jack Meiselman designed Palm Springs home, Palm Springs, CA

2020 *Radical Figures: Painting in the New Millennium, Whitechapel Gallery, London, England

Some mysterious process: 50 years of collecting international art, Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia

Oketa Collection: A New Decade, curated by Kojima Yayoi, Spiral, Tokyo, Japan

Dallas Biennial 2020, curated by Michael Mazurek and Stephen Lapthisophon, PRP Gallery, Dallas, TX

Antibodies, Palais de Tokyo, Paris, France

Feminism Against Family, curated by Rose-Anne Gush and Barbara

Kapusta, mumok cinema, Vienna, Austria

The World: From The Oketa Collection, 21st Century Museum of Contemporary Art, Kanazawa, Japan

IMAGE.SOUND.TEXT., curated by Myriam Ben Salah, Karsten Lund, and Michael Harrison, RENAISSANCE TV, The Renaissance Society, online

*On Vulnerability and Doubt, curated by Max Delany, Australian Centre for Contemporary Art (ACCA), Melbourne, Australia

Young Congo Biennial, curated by Vitshois Mwilambwe Bondo, Sorana Munsya, and Nicolas-Patience Basabose Rusangiza Gasigwa Tata Ande Bolongola Wa Badjoko, Kin ArtStudio, Académie des Beaux-Arts, Texaf Bilembo, and Institut Français, Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of the Congo

The Ural Industrial Biennial, 5th edition, curated by Xiaoyu Weng, Ural Optical and Mechanical Plant, Ekaterinburg, Russia

The Seventh Continent, 16th Istanbul Biennial, Istanbul, Turkey Dirty Protest: Selections from the Hammer Contemporary Collection, Hammer Museum, Los Angeles, CA

*33rd Biennial of Graphic Arts Ljubljana, curated by Slavs and Tatars, Ljubljana, Slovenija



303 Gallery: 35 Years, 303 Gallery, New York, NY Personal Private Public, Hauser & Wirth, New York, NY

2018 Mademoiselle, curated by Tara Londi, Centre Régional d'Art Contemporain OCCITANIE / Pyrénées-Méditerranée, Sète, France ARKIPEL Homoludens, 6th Jakarta International Documentary and Experimental Film Festival, Jakarta, Indonesia Within Genres, Pérez Art Museum Miami, Miami, FL First Person Plural: Empathy, Intimacy, Irony and Anger, curated by Matteo Lucchetti, BAK, Utrecht, Netherlands Remote Castration, LAXART, Los Angeles, CA Lewben Art Foundation Playlist for Mo Museum "Lewben Playlist for Mo," MO Museum, Vilnius, Lithuania

2017 Desire: A show about sex, love and lust, curated by Emiliano Valdés, Museo de Arte Moderno, Medellín, Colombia Selections from the Hammer Contemporary Collection, organized by Connie Butler and Emily Gonzalez-Jarrett, Hammer Museum, Los Angeles, CA

(X) A Fantasy, David Roberts Art Foundation, London, England Prospect 2017, Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, San Diego, CA Black & Brown People I White Problems, Samsøn, Boston, MA Adult Swim, curated by Gerasimos Floratos, Pilar Corrias, London, England I Plan to Stay a Believer, Andrew Kreps Gallery, New York, NY Hope and Hazard: A Comedy of Eros, curated by Eric Fischl, Hall Art Foundation, Reading, VT

Made Masculine, organized by Lisa Crossman, Museum of Art at the University of New Hampshire, Durham, NH

National Gallery of Victoria Triennial, Melbourne, Australia

Please fasten your seat belt as we are experiencing some turbulence, Leo Xu Projects, Shanghai, China

*Whitney Biennial 2017, curated by Christopher Y. Lew and Mia Locks, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY

Zeitgeist, organized by Paul Bernard, Lionel Bovier, and Fabrice Stroun, Musée d'art moderne et contemporain (MAMCO), Geneva, Switzerland *Los Angeles – A Fiction, curated by Gunnar B. Kvaran, Thierry Raspail, and Nicolas Garait-Leavenworth, with advisory from Hans Ulrich Obrist, Ali Subotnick and Alex Israel, Musée d'art Contemporain de Lyon, Lyon, France

In Between: Contemporary Iranian Art (Part 1), curated by Shahram Karimi, Mana Contemporary, Jersey City, NJ

2016 Invisible Adversaries, Marieluise Hessel Collection, Hessel Museum of Art, Bard College, Annandale-on-Hudson, NY Human Condition, curated by John Wolf, Los Angeles Metropolitan Medical Center, Los Angeles, CA We Dance, We Smoke, We Kiss, curated by Myriam Ben Salah, Fahrenheit, Los Angeles, CA On Space and Place: Contemporary Art from Chicago, Los Angeles, Mexico City and Vancouver, organized by Julie Rodrigues Widholm, DePaul Art Museum, Chicago, IL *Los Angeles - A Fiction, curated by Gunnar B. Kvaran, Thierry Raspail, and Nicolas Garait, Astrup Fearnley Museet, Oslo, Norway The Distance of a Day, The Israel Museum, Jerusalem, Israel A Modest Proposal, Hauser & Wirth, New York, NY Omul Negru, curated by Aaron Moulton, Nicodim Gallery at Cantacuzino Palace, Bucharest, Romania Malerei als Film, Kunsthalle Darmstadt, Germany Colliding Alien Cargo, Marlborough Chelsea, New York, NY Inside Out, curated by Alexandra Economou, Galerie Eva Presenhuber, Zurich, Switzerland Mixtape 2016, Pilar Corrias, London, England 2015 Black & White Mike, curated by Benjamin Weissman, Center for the Arts Eagle Rock, Eagle Rock, CA Alfred Jarry Archipelago: La Valse des Pantins – Acte II, curated by Keren Detton and Julie Pellegrin, La Ferme du Buisson, Noisiel, France America is Hard to See, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY 2014 The Great Acceleration: Art in the Anthropocene, curated by Nicholas Bourriaud, Taipei Biennial, Taipei, Taiwan Made in L.A. 2014, Hammer Museum, Los Angeles, CA Everything falls faster than an anvil, Pace Gallery, London, England

2013 Made in Space, Gavin Brown Enterprise, New York, NY
PLAY! Recapturing the Radical Imagination, Göteborg Biennial, Göteborg,
Sweden
Future Generation Prize, Pinchuck Art Prize, Venice, Italy
New works 13.1: Tala Madani, Adam Putnam, and J. Parker Valentine,
curated by Suzanne Cotter, Artpace, San Antonio, TX

*Where Are We Now?, 5th Marrakech Biennale, Marrakech, Morocco In the Near Future, The Museum of Modern Art, Warsaw, Poland

Dramedy, Fort Worth Contemporary Arts, Fort Worth, TX

NO BORDERS: Contemporary art in a globalised world, curated by Jeremy Lewison, Bristol Museum and Art Gallery, Bristol, England 2012 21 Artists Shortlisted for the Future Generation Art Prize 2012. Pinchuk Art Centre, Kyiv, Ukraine UNREST: Revolt against Reason, curated by Natalie Musteata, Apexart, New York, NY De Volkskrant Prijs (De Volkskrant Art Award), Stedelijk Museum Schiedam, Amsterdam, Netherlands 2011 He disappeared into complete silence, Museum De Hallen, Haarlem, Netherlands Speech Matters, Danish Pavilion at the 54th Venice Biennale, Venice, Italy Open House, Singapore Biennale, Singapore Between my Head and my Hand. There is Always the Face of Death. Portland Institute for Contemporary Art, Portland, OR 2010 Framed, Drawings in Motion, The Drawing Center, Smartspaces, New York, NY Greater New York, curated by Klaus Biesenbach, Neville Wakefield, and Connie Butler, MoMA PS1, New York, NY The Future of Tradition, The Tradition of Future, Haus der Kunst, Munich, Germany Touched, The 6th Liverpool Biennial, Liverpool, England 2009 The Symbolic Efficiency of the Frame, 4th Tirana International Contemporary Art Biennial, Tirana, Albania The Generational: Younger Than Jesus, The New Museum, New York, NY Unveiled: New Art from the Middle East, Saatchi Gallery, London, England Out-of-Line, Lombard-Freid Projects, New York, NY The Girl Effect, Lombard-Freid Projects, New York, NY 2008 Works on Paper, La Maison Jaune, Patricia Low Contemporary, Gstaad, Czech Republic Size Matters: XXL - Recent Large-Scale Paintings, Hudson Valley Center for Contemporary Art, Peekskill, NY 2007 Size Matters: XS - Recent Small-Scale Paintings, Hudson Valley Center for Contemporary Art, Peekskill, NY Open Ateliers, Rijksakademie van beeldende kunsten, Amsterdam, Netherlands



SELECTED PROJECTS

2012 Art Breaks, Video Commission, Creative Time / MoMA PS1 / MTV, New

York, NY

2009 Tirana Facades Project, Tirana International Contemporary Art Biennial,

Tirana, Albania

AWARDS

2020 Smithsonian American Art Museum's James Dicke Contemporary Artist

Prize

2013 Catherine Doctorow Prize for Contemporary Painting, Utah Museum of

Contemporary Art

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l'herbe'," WMagazine.com, March 2, 2022

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Konstantinos A. Papageorgiou, Maria D. Efthymiou, Maria Vlassopoulou, Pegga Dara, Fanis Kafantaris, and Elli Drioulia, Athens: NEON, 2021 *On the Basis of Art: 150 Years of Women at Yale, with texts by Elisabeth

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Room," Hypebeast.com, December 1, 2021

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Artnet.com, November 10, 2021

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