

Artist CV

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Select Exhibitions

group exhibitions

- 2026 NotFair Art Fair , 83 High St Prahran, Naarm (Melbourne)
- 2026 Koorie Art Show, Koorie Heritage Trust, Federation Square, Naarm (Melbourne).
- 2025 Brisbane Portrait Prize (highly commended), State Library of Qld, Brisbane.
- 2025 Winter Window Series, Next Wave, Mechanics Institute Brunswick.
- 2024 Bowness Photography Prize (Honourable mention), Museum of Australian Photography (MaPh), Naarm (Melbourne.)

solo exhibitions

- 2026 Ama Algorithmus, Counihan Gallery, Brunswick, Naarm (Melbourne)
- 2026 Intercessions, First Site Gallery, Swanston Street Naarm (Melbourne)
- 2025 Ama Algorithmus, Yirramboi Festival, RMIT Design Archives, Naarm (Melbourne)

Awards & Grants

- 2025 Highly Commended at Brisbane Portrait Prize
- 2024 RMIT Indigenous HDR scholarship
- 2024 Honourable mention at Bowness Photography Prize
- 2023 Recipient of Victoria Government Creators Fund Grant

Residences, Talks & Appointments

- 2026 Artist Advisory member, Next Wave
- 2026 First Nations Future Panel, Now or Never Festival
- 2026 Play Residency, City of Yarra
- 2026 Artist Supervisor in Narrative Medicine, University of Melbourne medical school
- 2026 Afterimage Artist Talk, NotFair Art Fair
- 2026 Artist talk for 3rd year Fine Art students, Victorian College of the Arts
- 2025 Judge, Topshots exhibition, Museum of Australian Photography (MaPh)
- 2025 Artist Talk, Brisbane Portrait Prize, State Library of Qld
- 2024 Guest Lecture for MFA course, RMIT University
- 2023 Test Sites, City of Melbourne, Public art projection screened at Royal Melbourne Hospital

Education

2024-2027	Practice PhD (Fine Art) , RMIT University, Melbourne Australia
2022	Master of Photomedia , RMIT University, Melbourne Australia, graduated with High Distinction
2016	Bachelor of Arts , University of Melbourne, graduated with H2A.

Training

2024	Cyanotype & Vandyke photo printing for fabric, Gold Street Studios, teacher Ellie Young
2024	Salt & Albumen photography, Gold Street Studios, teacher Ellie Young
2023	Wetplate collodion tintype training, Kiera Hudson
2023	Ableton Live training, SNED studios
2022	Specialist Adobe Premier & After Effects training, RMIT University
2021	Butoh Residencial workshop, Yumi Umiamare

Other select experience

2024	Workshop facilitator & member of QTBIPOC advisory group, Switchboard Victoria
2022	Freelance writer, Artshub Australia, part of Amplify Collective Diversity Initiative
2022	Camera & Editing Assistant, NON studios
2021	co-writer & co-deviser of "The Score", Ilbijerri Theatre Company
2020	Blaklab, Asia Topa/Ilbijerri Theatre Company/APAM