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EDUCATION

2005 MFA, Fine Arts, School of Design, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

1997 BA, Transcultural Identity, Hamilton College, Clinton, NY

1993 Doshisha Senior High School/Osaka International High School, Japan

SOLO AND TWO-PERSON EXHIBITIONS

2022 *Encounter/Exchange*, with Tiffany Calvert, Praise Shadows Gallery, Boston, MA, curated by Sarah Burney and Amethyst Rey Beaver

2021 *Wildflowers & Fever Dreams*, with Christopher Rodriguez, Transmitter, Brooklyn, NY

2019 *Mirror Room*, Standard Space, Sharon, CT

2017 *A Walk Around the Sun*, Youkobo Art Space, Tokyo, Japan

2015 *Paradise Constructed*, Mixed Greens, New York, NY

2014 *Planted*, Windows Project, Mixed Greens, New York, NY

2013 *Borrowed Landscapes*, Horticultural Society of NY Project Space, curated by Chris Murtha, New York, NY

Unnatural Selection, Tiger Strikes Asteroid NY, Brooklyn, NY

2011 *Inside Out*, Swig Arts Center, Mariboe Gallery, Hightstown, NJ

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2024 26th Annual Postcards From the Edge, Berry Campbell Gallery, New York, NY

2023 *Gathering: 33 Asianish Artists Exhibit*, curated by Cecile Chong and Sophia Ma, FiveMyles, Tiger Strikes Asteroid, Brooklyn, NY

2022 *XX*, Morgan Lehman Gallery, New York, NY

Carving with Color, Sugarlift, New York, NY

2021 *Still, Life*, three-person exhibition with [Asuka Hishiki](#) and Sakiko Kurita, @KCUA Gallery, Kyoto, Japan

2020 *Vision Acuity*, Clandestine, Miami, FL

Neo-Orientalist Redux, SPRING BREAK 2020, Room 1116, Atlantic Production Center, New York, NY, curated by Nina Horisaki-Christens

Returning to the Source, Wave Hill House, Wave Hill, Bronx, NY

2019 *Decade*, AHL Foundation at SFA Projects, New York, NY, curated by Sun You

2018 *Safe Imagination is Boring*, Furman Gallery, New York Asian Film Festival at

Walter Reade Theater, New York, NY, curated by Yujin Lee

Cabin Fever, 1708 Gallery, Richmond, VA

2017 *Point of Entry*, Scotty gallery, Berlin, Germany

Stairgazing, Contemporary Art Center of New Jersey, Summit, NJ

Collage Collaborations, Children's Museum of Manhattan, New York, NY

2016 *Fabulous You*, Tiger Strikes Asteroid NY, Brooklyn, NY

Garden Week, 1708 Gallery, Richmond, VA

Solitary Refinement, 2015 NYFA Fellowship finalists, New York Foundation for the Arts, Brooklyn, NY, curated by David Terry

Nature, The Center for Contemporary Art, Bedminster, NJ; curated by Wes Sherman

2015 *Once Removed*, Room 218, Artist-Run at the Satellite Show, Miami Beach, FL

Natural States, Dowd Fine Arts Center, State University of New York College at Cortland, Cortland, NY

This Dust II, [GSL Projekt](#), Berlin, Germany

2014 *Back to Eden*, the Museum of Biblical Art, New York, NY (catalogue); curated by Jennifer Scanlan
Prickly, Tender and Steamy, Glyndor Gallery, Wave Hill, Bronx, NY (catalogue)

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- New Visions: Crown Heights Artists*, Five Myles, Brooklyn, NY, curated by Carl E. Hazelwood and Hanne Tierney
- 2013 *American Beauty*, Susan Inglett Gallery, New York, NY, curated by William Villalongo
We Are Still Here: Art in the Bronx, Andrew Freeman House, Wave Hill Armory Arts Week, Bronx, NY
New Prints 2013/Winter, International Print Center, New York, NY
- 2012 *Everything Is Not All There Is*, Lower East Side Printshop, New York, NY, curated by Nicole Caruth
First Contact, Field Projects, New York, NY; curated by Jacob Rhodes
- 2011 *No Land*, Kunsthalle Galapagos, Brooklyn, NY, curated by J. McKim, G. Kazer, E. Hougen, L. Schell Dickens
- 2010 *BAM Next Wave Art*, Brooklyn Academy of Music, Brooklyn, NY, curated by Dan Cameron
- 2009 *Vertical Gardens*, Exit Art, New York, NY (catalogue), curated by Jeanette Ingberman, Herb Tam, Lauren Rosati

AWARDS / RESIDENCIES

- 2022 Willapa Bay AiR, Oysterville, WA
- 2018 Joan Mitchell Foundation Painters & Sculptors Grant
- 2017 Youkobo Art Space Artist in Residency Program, Tokyo, Japan
- 2015 NYFA Artist Fellowship Finalist, Painting
Yaddo Residency, Saratoga Springs, NY
- 2014 Jentel Residency, Banner, WY
- 2013 Wave Hill Winter Workspace Residency, Bronx, NY
- 2011 Lower East Side Printshop Keyholder Residency, New York, NY
Robert Blackburn Printmaking Workshop SIP Fellowship, New York, NY
- 2010 NYFA "Artists as Entrepreneurs" Program, Brooklyn, NY
- 2005 Millay Colony Residency Award, Austerlitz, NY
Mid Atlantic Arts Foundation Creative Fellow
- 2004 Vermont Studio Center Scholarship Award, Johnson, VT

CURATORIAL, PROJECTS, LECTURES, WORKSHOPS

- 2021 Pratt Institute, Guest Critic: Senior Drawing class (Professor Fay Ku), April 21
- 2020 *Borrowed Landscapes: artistic practice as space making*; featured speaker for the Anderson Lecture Series at the School of Visual Arts, Penn State College
School of Arts and Architecture, Sept 28
- 2019 *No Place Like*, Field Projects, New York, NY; group exhibition juried and curated by AN/OTHER NY
- 2018 *Soft White Feel Flower Run* with poet Sawako Nakayasu, Look Books View-Master series, produced by Container
Curators in Conversation: AN/OTHER NY, Museum of Chinese in America, New York, NY, Aug. 2 (in conjunction with *On Whiteness*, an exhibition organized by the Racial Imaginary Institute at The Kitchen)
Behind-the-Scenes with Curators (Howie Chen/Andrew Lampert, Andrew Rebatta, Karen Wong, moderated by Stephanie Tung), co-organized with AN/OTHER NY and the Asian American Arts Alliance at CUE Foundation, New York, NY, March 6
- 2017 *Collage Collaborations* workshops at the Children's Museum of Manhattan, New York, NY, April 2 & April 7
JPEG Slam, organized with AN/OTHER NY at the Asian American Arts Alliance, Brooklyn, NY, Nov. 7
x≈y: An Act of Translation, Tiger Strikes Asteroid NY, Brooklyn, NY; co-curated with Andrew Prayzner
Leadership Camp participant, Asia Art Archive in America, Brooklyn, NY
- 2016 *Field Studies*, Tiger Strikes Asteroid NY, Brooklyn, NY; co-curated with Andrew Prayzner

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- 2015 *Made in U.S.A./Some Parts Imported* at Tiger Strikes Asteroid NY, Brooklyn, NY (catalogue); co-curated with Heidi Lau
Co-founder, AN/OTHER NY, Brooklyn, NY
Visiting artist, Moore College of Art, Philadelphia, PA, Dec. 9
Artist talk at Nassau Community College, Garden City, NY, Nov. 24
Artist talk at Trestle gallery, Brooklyn, NY, Nov. 10
Panel discussion "The Artist's Experience: What a Visual Arts Administrator Should Know," NYU Graduate School of Visual Arts Administration, Sept. 25
- 2014 Visiting artist, Sheridan Collage, Sheridan, WY, Sept. 30
Moderated Art21/Cue Foundation Book Club #2, New York, NY, June 26
"Planting the Seed: Garden as Symbol in Contemporary Art," talk with *Back to Eden* curator Jennifer Scanlan & artist Lina Puerta, Museum of Biblical Art, NY, NY, Aug. 24
- 2013 Co-organizer inaugural Flat File program 2014, Tiger Strikes Asteroid NY, Brooklyn, NY
Winter Workspace: Visualizing the Imaginary (March 4) and *Collaborative Drawing* Workshop Instructor, Wave Hill, Bronx, NY, Mar. 9
- 2012 Founding member/Assistant Director, Tiger Strikes Asteroid NY, Brooklyn, NY
Creative Nonfiction, co-curated with a team of 7 at Kunsthalle Galapagos, Brooklyn, NY, Aug. 23
- 2011 *The Artist Life in New York*, NYFA panel discussion at Pratt Institute, Feb. 1
NYFA "Strategic Planning for Artists" Program at the Pratt Institute, co-organizer, Spring 2011
Presentation of Recent Work, artist lecture, Swig Arts Center, Hightstown, NJ, Jan. 14
- 2005 Visual Studies, Teaching Assistant, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA
2004 2D-Design, Teaching Assistant, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

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James Hotel, New York, NY
Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, TX
New York University Langone Medical Center, New York, NY
New York Presbyterian Hospital, New York, NY