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Education

2016 MFA, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON
2011 BFA (with distinction), Alberta College of Art + Design, Calgary, AB

Professional Experience

2017 *I.A.T.S.E. Union Permit*, Toronto, ON
2016 *Casual Installation Crew*, Kitchener-Waterloo Art Gallery, Kitchener, ON
2015-2016 *Studio Assistant to Jane Tingley*, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON
2015 *Studio Instructor*, FINE 150, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON
Studio Assistant to Alexandra Bircken, Cologne, Germany
Teaching Assistant to Jane Tingley, Installation, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON
2014 *Teaching Assistant to Joan Coutu*, Visual Culture, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON
Studio Instructor – Head of Fibre, In-Definite Arts Society, Calgary, AB
2013 *Owner*, Arts Assist, Calgary, AB
Puppet Maker, Green Fools, Calgary, AB
2012-2013 *Artistic Coordinator*, Alberta Society of Artists, Calgary, AB
2011-2012 *Studio Assistant*, Hoakon + Helga, Calgary, AB

Grants and Awards

2016 Make Art Happen Project Grant, Region of Waterloo Arts Fund
2015 Shantz Internship, University of Waterloo
2014 Production Grant, Alberta Foundation for the Arts
Arts Graduate Experience Award, University of Waterloo
2013 Artist Opportunity Grant, Calgary Arts Development Authority
2011 ACAD's Board of Governors Award, ACAD
2010 Louise McKinney Scholarship for Exceptional Academic Achievement
ACAD Student's Association Legacy Scholarship, ACADSA
Susanne Agopsowicz Memorial Scholarship, ACADSA
ACAD Student Experience Leadership Award, ACAD
2009, '08, '07 Jason Lang Academic Achievement Award
2008, '07 Millenium Bursary
2008, '07 ATCO Power Bursary

Solo Exhibitions

2016 *You Can Never Go Home*, University of Waterloo Art Gallery, Waterloo, ON
2014 *Institute of Morphoid Research*, Harris-Warke Gallery, Red Deer, AB
2013 *Institute of Morphoid Research*, Visual Arts Alberta, Edmonton, AB
2012 *Institute of Morphoid Research*, Art Gallery of Calgary, Calgary, AB, Curator: Anne Ewen
Meet The Morphoids, Untitled Arts Society, Calgary, AB, Juried
2011 *Terrarium*, Stride, Calgary, AB, Juried (catalogue)
2010 *Self Portrait: The Journals of Jennifer Akkermans*, Marion Nicoll Gallery, Calgary, AB,
Juried

Selected Group Exhibitions and Screenings

2018 *You Can Never Go Home*, Installation Zone, The Artist Project, Toronto, ON
Flashback/ Fast Forward, Resident Artist Exhibition, Living Arts Centre, Mississauga, ON
2017 *Canada: Day 1 Halifax*, Pier 21, Halifax, NS (catalogue)
Deep Roots, Living Arts Centre, Mississauga, ON
Globe Studios Spring 2017 Invitational Art Show, Globe Studios, Kitchener, ON
2016 *Infinity of Intimate Space*, Inter/Access Gallery, Toronto, ON
2015 *MFA Preview 1*, University of Waterloo Art Gallery, Waterloo, ON
Excavations, the Artery, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON
MFA Open House, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON

- 2014 *Six Weeks In, the Artery*, University of Waterloo, ON
2012 *The New Alberta Contemporaries*, Esker Foundation, Calgary, AB, Curator: Caterina Pizanias (catalogue)
2011 *Ephemeral Home*, Blueprint Gallery, Lethbridge, AB
Resonant Frequencies, EMMEDIA's Production Access Screening, the Plaza Theatre, Calgary, AB
Coming Up Next, Discovery Gallery, Alberta Craft Council, Edmonton, AB, Juried

Selected Bibliography

- Lamson, Darcie. "Why You Can Never Go Home: Lessons Learned by a Second Generation Canadian Artist." *Lanigan Advisor* 3 April 2017.
Bahdanovich, Aleks. "Fine Artist shows the struggle of building a home in latest installation." *UW Life Blog* 31 May 2016.
Kar, Indrani. "Morphoids and other Mysteries." *Fast Forward*, Calgary, AB, 1 Mar. 2012.
Derbyshire, Curt. "Gushul Resident's Art Combines Light and Sound." *Crowsnest Pass Promoter* 7 Oct. 2011.
Massey, Kimberley. "Calgary Artists Calling Gushul Studio Home This Month." *Crowsnest Pass Herald*, 6 Sept. 2011.
Whitehead, Kyle. "Resonant Frequencies: EMMEDIA's Production Access 2011." *Handheld Media Arts Magazine*, Fall 2011, 12.
Perron, Mireille. "All the way though Craft: The (Re) Materialization of Ideas." *Studio Magazine*, Winter 2011.
"Institute of Morphoid Research - Jennifer Akkermans." *Fibre Quarterly*. Ed. Joe Lewis, 15 July 2011. Web.
Kargard, Megan. "Lions and Tigers and Bears and Puppets and Masks, and Oh My!" *The Weal*, Calgary, AB, 10 Mar. 2011.
"ArtaWEARness." *Breakfast Television Calgary*. City TV. Calgary, 3 Mar. 2011.
Belland, Jill and Judy Gabriel, "Your City: ARTwear Regalia Performance," City TV, Calgary, AB, 7 Nov 2009.

Publications and Catalogues

- Canada: Day 1*. Halifax: Canadian Museum of Immigration at Pier 21, 2017.
Seasonal Publication, Fall 2012. Calgary: Art Gallery of Calgary, 2012.
The New Alberta Contemporaries. Calgary: Esker Foundation, 2012. 28, 56, 64.
/STRIDE GALLERY Catalogue 2010-2011. Calgary: Stride Gallery, 2011. 84-85.

Artist Residencies and Production Programs

- 2017 - 2018 *Fellowship (Woodshop Residency)*, Living Arts Centre, Mississauga, ON
2014 *Puppet Intensive Workshop*, Banff Centre, Banff, AB
Gushul Studio Residency, Crowsnest Pass, AB
2011 *Gushul Studio Residency*, Crowsnest Pass, AB, through Trap/Door Artist Run Centre, Lethbridge, AB (Collaboration with Latifa Pelletier-Ahmed)
St[art] Residency, The Calgary Allied Arts Foundation, Calgary, AB
Spark, Fluid Festival, Calgary, AB (Collaboration with Veronica Benz)
Production Access Scholarship, EMMEDIA, Calgary, AB
2009, 2010 *Contextural Summer Residency*, Contextural Fibre Arts Cooperative, Calgary, AB

Professional Service

- 2017 - Present *Member*, Uptown Gallery, Waterloo, ON
2016 *Volunteer*, CAFKA, Kitchener, ON
2014 *Professional Reviewer*, The Entrepreneurial Artist, Junior Achievement, Calgary, AB
2012 *Volunteer*, Pith Gallery, Calgary, AB
Volunteer, Untitled Art Society, Calgary, AB
2011 *Practicum Intern*, Calgary Arts Development Authority, Calgary, AB
Volunteer, Stride Gallery, Calgary, AB

- 2009-2011 *Project Manager, smART: The Business of Art Seminars:*
Communication: The Key with Dee Fontans
Creativity: The Possibilities with Debi Andrus
Professional Panel Critique with Marianne Elder, George Webber, and Iain Baxter, at the Art Gallery of Calgary
Art Law 101: Copyright and Trademarks with Wayne Logan
Surviving as a Professional Artist with Jeff de Boer
Winter Speaker Event with Linda Hawke and Marianne Elder
Fall Speaker Event with Linda Hawke and Marianne Elder

Performances and Artist Talks

- 2016 *Morphoid Petting Zoo*, City of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON
2015 *Shantz Internship Presentation*, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON
2012 *A Bacteriophage Dissection*, Esker Foundation, Calgary, AB
Artist Talk, Art Gallery of Calgary, Calgary, AB
2011 *Undersense*, Spark, Fluid Festival, Big Secret Theatre, Calgary, AB
ArtaWEARness XI, ACAD, Calgary, AB
2009 *ARTwear Regalia Performance*, Art Gallery of Calgary, Calgary, AB (catalogue)
Art Central's 5th Birthday Party Regalia Performance. Art Central, Calgary, AB

Professional Development

- 2017 Projection Mapping (with Maziar Ghaderi), Inter/Access, Toronto, ON
2016 Teaching Fundamentals Program, Center for Teaching Excellence, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON
2012 Taxation for Artists with Roger Thomson, Calgary, AB
2011 Basic Video Production with Phil Bowen, EMMEDIA, Calgary, AB
Producing Your Project with Eric Becker, EMMEDIA, Calgary, AB
Final Cut Pro 7 with Eric Becker, EMMEDIA, Calgary, AB
3D Felting Workshop with Marjolein Dallinga, ACAD, Calgary, AB
Video Animation in Physical Space with Marieke Verbiesen, ACAD, Calgary, AB
2010 MFA Application Working Group, ACAD, Calgary, AB
Backstrap Weaving with Kimberly Hamill, Earth Arts, Española, NM, USA
Natural Dye Workshop with Liesel Orend, Earth Arts, Española, NM, USA
Jaquard Weaving Workshop with Louise Lemieux Bérubé, ACAD, Calgary, AB
2009 Pattern Drafting with Angela Dale, Calgary, AB
Needle Lace with Dorie Millerson, ACAD, Calgary, AB
2008 Freeform Embroidery with Wendy Toogood, ACAD, Calgary, AB
2007 Spinning with Mackenzie Frere, ACAD, Calgary, AB
Jewellery Design and Marketing with Janis Kerman, ACAD, Calgary, AB
2005 Tile Making Workshop, Drumheller Ceramics, Drumheller, AB
2004 Jewellery Fundamentals, Centre Des Arts Visuels, Montréal, PQ
Lost Wax Casting, Centre Des Arts Visuels, Montréal, PQ

Travel

- 2015 Shantz Internship, Studio assistant to Alexandra Bircken, Cologne, Germany
Europe (Amsterdam, Barcelona, Vienna, Antwerp, Brussels, London, Paris, Venice)
Miami, Florida, USA – 3 days, University of Waterloo MFA Field trip
2014 New York, NY, USA – 4 days, University of Waterloo MFA Field trip
2010 Santa Fe, New Mexico, USA – 8 days, Fibre Field trip, to attend workshops
2008 Montreal, Quebec, Canada – 7 Days, to visit Concordia, the Montreal Centre for Contemporary Textiles

Galleries

- Open Sesame, Kitchener, ON
Living Arts Centre (Gift Shop), Mississauga, ON
Uptown Gallery, Waterloo, ON