Mika Aono

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Education

San Francisco Art Institute, MFA in Printmaking
University of Oregon, Post Baccalaureate Program, BA in Art
Lane Community College, OR (Art major)
Macalester College, MN (Education/Art major)
Miyagi University of Education, Japan, BA in Education (Primary/Special Ed)

Selected Exhibitions and Honors (*solo exhibition)

2023, 11th International Printmaking Biennial Douro, Douro Valley, Portugal

2023, "findings" portfolio exhibition, RMPA Printmaking Conference, Spokane, WA

*2023 "Threading", a solo-exhibition, Gallery Together w/Intention, Salem, OR

2023, "re-member", two-person exhibition, Walters Cultural Art Center, Hillsboro, OR

2022, 5th Global Print Douro, Alijó, Portugal

*2022, "Sweeping Breath", a solo-exhibition, Gallery at the Eugene Airport, OR

2022, Oregon Arts Commission, Artist Fellowship Award

2022, Lane Arts Council Artist Grant award

2021, "Awagami International Miniature Print Exhibition 2021" Honorable mention, Tokushima, Japan

2021, Tamarind Institute Summer Workshop, supported by Oregon Arts Commission and Ford Family Foundation

2021, The Black Lives Matter Artist Grant and Exhibition, JSMA, Eugene, OR.

2021, "Metamorphosis" Exhibition, Collaboration with Eugene Symphony and JSMA, OR

2020, Mid-America Prints Council Biennial Conference, Power of Print: Resistance and Revolution,

Themed Portfolio: "Banner Flags of Resistance and Revolution", Kent, OH

2020, "Oversized" print exchange hosted by Lunch Money Print, New Haven, CT

2020, "Common Ground" curated exhibition at ANTI AESTHETIC, Eugene, OR

2020, "Germinate" Residency, Ayatana Art and Research program, Ottawa, Canada

2020, Kesey Farm Artist Mini Residency, Pleasant Hill, OR

*2019, "Over and Over" Solo Exhibition at Lindglen Gallery, George Fox University,

Newberg, OR

2019, Edition/Basel 2019 Exhibition, Atelier Mondial, Basel, Switzerland

2019, Artist residency Printmaking Project, Edition/Basel 2019

supported by Oregon Arts Commission Grants and Ford Family Foundation for the Arts

2019, Artist residency at Skopelos Foundation for the Arts, Skopelos, Greece

2019, A series of prints selected for "Percent for Art" collection by Oregon Arts

Commission for the Tykeson Hall, the University of Oregon

2019, "The Distance Between Us" Collaborative project with Perugino hosted by Earthbound Moon and City of Eugene, BRIDGE exhibitions, Eugene, OR

2019, Featured in publication, "Germinating Herbarium" by Ayatana Artist Research program, Quebec, Canada

2018, "Invisible Light" pop-up exhibition w/Ark Project, Betti Ono Gallery, Oakland, CA

2018, "Biophilia" Art and Science Research Residency, Ayatana Artists Research Program,

Chelsea, Quebec, Canada

2018, "Invisible Light" exhibition in conjunction with Ark Project Artist Residency,

Casa de Artes Sustentáveis, Salvador, Brazil

2018, "Study of Site and Spacer" a curated exhibition, Spaceworks Tacoma, 950 Gallery, WA

*2018, "Tangible Link" a solo exhibition, Red Door Gallery, Umpqua Valley Arts Association, OR

2018, "Altered Nature," a printmaking exhibition curated by Viviane Le Courtois in

conjunction with Mo' Print Denver, at Processus, CO

2017, "Shifting Landscape" exhibition, Washington State University, Pullman, WA

2017, Featured in "Creator's Hello Work" Publication in Tokyo, JAPAN

2017, Artist Residency at Taidelaitos Haihatus, Joutsa, Finland

*2017, "Spill", a solo exhibition at Barn Light East, Eugene, OR

2017, Curatorial project, "Hear for All_Activism through Prints" exhibition,

Umpqua Community College, Roseburg, OR

2016, Signal Fire, Artist Residency Fellowship

2016, "Pressing Matters" International Printmaking Exhibition juried by Karen Kunc,

The first place award, Emerald Art Center, Springfield, OR

2016, "A Collection of Eyelashes on Paper" Collaborative performance with

Sam Roxas-Chua, (sub) Urban Projections, Eugene, OR

2015, "Awagami International Miniature Print Exhibition 2015"

Honorable mention, Tokushima, Japan

2015, "35th Mini Print International of Cadaqués 2015", Taller Galleria Fort, Cadaqués, Spain

2015, "The Last Picture Show" the Gallery at the Watershed, Eugene, OR

2015, "The Contemporary Miniprint of Kazanlak 2015", Art Gallery Kazanlak, Bulgaria

2015, "Mail Modeling" Mail-art exhibition for the Month of Photography, Boulder, CO

*2015, "be-longing", a solo exhibition at UCC Art Gallery, Roseburg, OR

2014, "2014 Harnett Biennial of American Prints" University of Richmond Museum, VA

2014, "BookOpolis" Artist's book exhibition, Asheville Bookworks, VA

2014, "It Narratives: The Movement of Objects as Information" Franklin Street Works, CT

2014, "Accreted Terraine," curated by David Francis, MoNA, La Conner, WA

2014, "Industry and Art juried exhibition," Port of Portland, OR

2014, "Principal" Exhibition, the Old Mint, San Francisco, CA

2014, "1/One" Exhibition, Manhattan Graphics Center, New York, NY

2013, "The Handmade Print" Exhibition, Grays Harbor College, Aberdeen, WA

2013, "Multiple Encounters" Exhibition, Lalit Kala Akademi, Lucknow, India

2012, Murphy and Cadogan Contemporary Art Award and Exhibition,

SOMArts Cultural Center, San Francisco, CA

Professional Work/Social practice Experiences

2024 to present: Serving as a master printer for the Printmaking program & a member of Artist Advisory Council at the Sitka Center for Art and Ecology

2024 to present: Director of Atelier Ghostbirds, an independent contemporary art gallery and printmaking studio in Caldas da Rainha, Portugal

2012 to 2023: Instructor & Studio Technician for Printmaking/Fibers/Painting/Drawing area in School of Art +Design, College of Design, University of Oregon

2014 to 2023: Master printing and production of fine art print editions with visiting artists for Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art

2014 to 2023: A founding board member and Executive Director of a non-profit, artist-run organization, "Eugene Printmakers" which hosts pop-up events in the community and visit public schools and libraries

2019 to 2020: Printmaking Instructor at Maude Kerns Art Center

2020 to 2023: An artist member of Eugene Contemporary Art

2020 to 2023: A member of Public Art Committee for the City of Eugene

2020 to 2023: A core member of BIPOC Artist Collective in Eugene

2022 to 2023: Riverfront Plaza Public Art Selection Committee