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## EDUCATION

**2015** Masters of Fine Art. The School of the Museum of Fine Arts/Tufts University

**2004** Bachelor of Education. University of Toronto, OISE

**2002** Bachelor of Fine Art. University of Windsor School of Visual Arts

## SOLO EXHIBITIONS

**2025** *KEEP IT TOGETHER*, Assembly Gallery, Hamilton, ON.

**2024** *All That We Wish to Stay*, Assembly Gallery, Hamilton, ON.

**2022** *(in)organic*, Assembly Gallery, Hamilton, ON.

**2020** *Let A Thousand Blossoms Bloom*, Assembly Gallery, Hamilton, ON.

**2018** *Flowers from A New Father*, Framesite: The Art & Project Outpost, Burlington, ON.

**2017** *Arrangements*, Oswald Gallery, Hamilton, ON.

**2016** *New Work*, Framesite: The Art & Project Outpost, Burlington, ON.

**2013** *Objects of Value*, Rotunda Gallery, Kitchener, ON.

**2013** *Adam Matak*, Framesite: The Art & Project Outpost, Burlington, ON.

**2011** *Objects of Value*, Le Gallery, Toronto, ON.

**2011** *The Museum Series*, Agnes Jamieson Gallery, Minden, ON. (catalogue)

**2011** *Maintaining Critical Distance*, Thames Art Gallery, Chatham, ON. (catalogue)

**2010** *Acceptable Losses*, Twist Gallery, Toronto, ON.

**2010** *The Patrons*, The Beverly Owens Project, Toronto, ON.

**2010** *The Lookers*, The Beverly Owens Project, Toronto, ON.

**2009** *Signs of Culture: Canadian Contemporary Surrogates*, ARTCITE Inc., Windsor, ON.

**2008** *Signs of Culture: Canadian Contemporary Surrogates*, The Great Hall Gallery, Toronto, ON.

**2008** *Secondary Sources*, Walnut Gallery, Toronto, ON.

## SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

**2025** *Ontario Juried Exhibition*, Thames Art Gallery, Chatham, ON.

**2025** *Hundred Dollar Gallery 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Edition*, Hamilton Artists Inc., Hamilton, ON.

**2025** *A-Side/B-Side*, Smokestack, Hamilton, ON.

**2025** *First Impression*, Crybaby Gallery, Toronto, ON.

**2024** *Group Show*, L.A. Pai Gallery, Ottawa, ON.

**2023** *Ontario Biennial*, Thames Art Gallery, Chatham, ON.

**2023** *Cheap Miracles*, Assembly Gallery, Hamilton, ON.

**2022** *FUNhouse*, curated by Nathan Eugene Carson, Art Gallery of Hamilton, Hamilton, ON.

**2021** *Pansies*, (curated by Hamilton Art Gallery), Paul Elia Gallery, Hamilton, ON.

**2020** *Hamilton No Name Biennale*, Paul Elia Gallery, Hamilton, ON.

**2018** *OFFCUTS: Hamilton Printmaking Invitational*, Smokestack Studio, Hamilton, ON.

**2017** *Hamilton Biennale*, Casino Artspace, Hamilton, ON.

**2017** *Worked Over*, Oswald Gallery, Hamilton, ON.

**2016** *The Handsome Show*, Hundred Dollar Gallery, Hamilton, ON.

**2016** *Homecoming*. Thames Art Gallery, Chatham, ON. (catalogue)

## GROUP EXHIBITIONS CON'T

**2015** *Swarm*, Hamilton Artists Inc., Hamilton, ON.  
**2015** *Factory Frost*, The Cotton Factory, Hamilton, ON.  
**2015** *MFA Thesis Exhibition*. Boston Center for the Arts, Boston, MA.  
**2015** *Medal Award Gala, honoring John Baldessari*. Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA. (catalogue)  
**2015** *Graduating Students & Award Recipients Exhibition*, SMFA, Boston MA.  
**2015** *Some Assembly Required* (Self-Curated), Courtyard Gallery, Museum Of Fine Arts, Boston, MA.  
**2014** *New Dimensions, New Directions: Current Work in Ceramics, Metal and Sculpture*, SMFA, Boston, MA.  
**2014** *YES Paint, Painting Biennale*, SMFA, Boston, MA.  
**2014** *Satellite*, Khaki Gallery, Boston, MA.  
**2014** *Oppositional Realities*, Emerson College, Boston, MA.  
**2014** *Convergence II*, Khaki Gallery, Boston, MA.  
**2013** *Moving Images*, Mission Hill Gallery, Boston, MA.  
**2011** *Behind the Yellow Line*, Artspace, Peterborogh, ON.

## ART FAIRS

**2024** *Hamilton Art Fair*, The Cotton Factory, Hamilton, ON.  
**2011** *Art Toronto (formerly Toronto International Art fair)*, The Beverly Owens Project, Toronto, ON. (catalogue)

## AUCTIONS

**2023** DVSA Art Auction, Dundas, ON.  
**2022** TD Canada Trust, Art with Heart, Art Gallery of Ontario, Toronto, ON.

## GRANTS & AWARDS

**2023** Juror's Award *Ontario Biennial*, Thames Art Gallery, Chatham, ON.  
**2015** Dana Pond Award in Painting, School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA.  
**2014** Boit Award, School of the Museum of Fine Arts.  
**2014** Graduate Merit Scholarship, School of the Museum of Fine Arts.  
**2014** Teaching Assistantship Award, School of the Museum of Fine Arts.  
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**2013** Medici Artist, School of the Museum of Fine Arts.  
**2013** Graduate Merit Scholarship, School of the Museum of Fine Arts.  
**2012** Toronto Arts Council, Emerging Artist Grant.  
**2010** Ontario Arts Council, Emerging Artist Grant.

## PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

The Alfond Collection of Contemporary Art at Rollins College, Cornell Fine Arts Museum, Winter Park, FL.  
Steam Whistle Brewery, Toronto, ON.

## SELECTED REVIEWS & PUBLICATIONS

**2025** The Hamilton Spectator. Dirty Secrets: Adam Matak's domestic still lifes exposes what's usually hidden. August 23, 2025. Regina Haggio.

The Bay Observer. Collage Show captures mystery. August 24, 2025. Kathy Renwald.

**2022** The Hamilton Spectator. MAKING THE CUT: Adam Matak's flower collages grow out of unconventional materials. November 28, 2022. Regina Haggio.

**2020** The Hamilton Spectator. How Adam Matak's paintings bloomed during lockdown. October 24, 2020. Regina Haggio.

**2018** Hamilton Review of Books, Feature Artist Spring 2018.

**2017** The Hamilton Spectator. A fresh take on floral art. October 21, 2017. Regina Haggio.

**2015** OPP Blog. Other Peoples Pixels Interviews Adam Matak. September 17, 2015. Stacia Yeapanis.

The Boston Globe. Top grads from Boston art schools. April 24, 2015. Cate McQuaid.

**2014** The Berkeley Beacon. Defining contemporary art, or not. January 23, 2014. Andrew Doerfler.

**2011** ART Toronto. Painting, *Comfort of Luxury*, used in Art Toronto's TTC advertising campaign.

The National Post. Saying 'meh' to the masters. April 4, 2011. Leah Sandals.

The Minden Times. Art reflects people viewing art. April 6, 2011. Ingram, Chad Agnes Jamieson Gallery. The Museum Series. Essay for catalogue for The Museum Series. Laurie Carmount.

Included in a Canadian high school Visual Arts textbook published by Emond Montgomery Publications: Art Works, Markus et al., 2011. p146.

The Minden Times. Visit AJG's new exhibit and have a laugh. March 29, 2011. Laurie Carmount.

Adam Matak: Mystery in the Museum. Essay for catalogue for Maintaining Critical Distance, Thames Art Gallery. Dault, Gary Michael.

**2010** The Globe & Mail. A show thick with visual allusions. April 10, 2010. Gary Michael Dault.

**2009** The Windsor Star. Art – from Three Dimensions to Two. June 4, 2009. Dalson Chen.

Windsor Arts & Music Monthly. Exhibitions of Paintings of Exhibitions & Paintings. Issue 13, May 2009. Paul Breschuk.

**2008** The Globe & Mail. Gallery Going: Adam Matak's Secondary Sources. May 3 2008. Dault, Gary Michael.

## TEACHING

**2021-2026** Visual Arts Teacher, HWCDSB, Hamilton, ON.

**2016-2021** Visual Arts Teacher, TCDSB, Toronto, ON.

**2016** Post-Doctoral Teaching Fellow, McMaster University, Hamilton, ON.

**2015** Teaching Assistant, Drawing, MIT Sloan Business School Intensive Workshop, SMFA/MIT, Boston, MA. 2014 Teaching Assistant, Intermediate Seminar/ Studio Workshop. (Spring and Fall Semesters) The School of the Museum of Fine Arts/Tufts University, Boston, MA.

**2006-2013** Visual Arts Teacher, TCDSB, Toronto, ON.

**2002-2009** Instructor, Royal Ontario Museum, Toronto, ON.

