Preetika Rajgariah

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Education

- 2018 MFA, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, IL
- 2008 BFA, **Trinity University**, San Antonio, TX
- 2007 Summer Study Abroad Program, Syracuse University, Florence, Italy

Residencies

- 2023 The Momentary, Bentonville, AK
- 2021 Asia Society of Texas, Houston, TX
- 2020 Galveston Artist Residency, Galveston, TX
- 2018 Oxbow, Saugatuck, MI
- 2018 ACRE, Steuben, WI
- 2014 Vermont Studio Center, Johnson, VT
- 2010 School of Visual Arts, New York, NY

Solo Exhibitions

| 2023 | Between Frustration & Fulfillment, Unit London, UK |
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| | your potential self if infinite, Public Tent Installation commission, Moody Center for the Arts, |
| | Rice University, Houston, TX (curator: Molly Everett) |
| | Flame and Fortune, Bill Arning Exhibitions, Material Fair, Mexico City, Mexico |

- 2022 *Servicing Self*, Bill Arning Exhibitions Hudson Valley, NY *Pleasure Tense*, Bill Arning Exhibitions, Houston, TX
- 2021 *Fans Only* and *have, have Knots,* performance at Untitled Art Fair, Miami Art Basel, FL *Made for Export*, performance at Asia Society, Houston, TX
- 2019 *Wild Wild Country,* Women & Their Work, Austin, TX *Entangled*, Art League Houston, TX *i ain't sari*, Lawndale Art Center, Houston, TX
- 2017 Star Spangled, Women's Resource Center, Champaign, IL
- 2016 *So Exotic,* Lightbox Gallery, Champaign, IL *Intersections,* Figure One Gallery, Champaign, IL
- 2015 *Migrating Identities,* Art League of Houston, Houston, TX

Group Exhibitions

- 2023 Item Number, Rajiv Menon Contemporary, Los Angeles, CA Presence in the Pause: Interiority and its Radical Immanence (curator: Rachel Adams), Bemis, NE Pede Fete, TwoDykesandaKnife, Sanman Studios, Houston, TX, (curator: Erika Mei Chua)
- Add on Art, Houston Arts Alliance, (commission)
 LETTO, performance work for Autumn Knight, Rome, Italy (2 person)
 Grow Our Souls, SOMArts Gallery, San Francisco, CA (curator: Melissa Wang)
 Threads Bare, Blue Star Contemporary, San Antonio, TX (curator: Jack McGilvray)

2021 *Equi/table: Visionary Futures:* Two Dykes and a Knife, DiverseWorks, Houston, TX (curator: Ashley DeHoyos) res.o.lu.tion, National Geographic expedition ship (commission)

Carriers: The Body as a Site of Danger and Desire. Blaffer Gallery, Houston, TX (curator: Tyler Blackwell)

- 2020 On the Surface, The MAC, Dallas, TX
- 2019 Chew with Your Mouth Open, TwoDykesAndaKnife, Jonathan Hopson Gallery, Houston, TX Indian American Indian, Flats Presents, Houston, TX Jagah// Jadoo, Mission Cultural Center for Latino Arts, San Francisco, CA Threshing Whispers, Neidorff Art Gallery, San Antonio, TX (curator: Jessica Halonen)
- 2018 Let the Fancy, UIS Visual Art Gallery, Springfield, IL (curator: Allison Lacher)

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An Undoing, Roots & Culture, Chicago, IL (2 person)
 Sari Not Sorry, Krannert Art Museum, Champaign, IL
 MaMA: Women in the Arts, The Union, Houston, TX (curator: India Lovejoy)

- 2017 A Sag, Harbored, Western Exhibitions, Chicago, IL (curator: Scott Speh)
 20th International Open, Woman Made Gallery, Chicago, IL
 Between the Sky and the Earth, Roots & Culture, Chicago, IL (curator: Sharmyn Cruz Rivera)
- 2016 *Pattern Recognition*, Fort Gondo, St.Louis, MO (curator: Jessica Baran) *Temporary Proportions*, CV Lloyd Gallery, Champaign, IL *Space & Weight*, South Studios, Champaign, IL
- 2013 *American Painting Today*, Krasl Art Center, St. Joseph, MI (curator: Tami Miller) *Disturbance of Distance*, Box 13, Houston, TX (curator: Kimberly Aubuchon)
- 2012 *The Power of Paint,* Avis Frank Gallery, Houston, TX *4th Annual Juried Exhibition*, Archway Gallery, Houston, TX
- 2011 *Gambol*, Finalist, The Art League, Houston, TX *The Sketchbook Project,* Art House, Brooklyn, NY
- 2010 5th Annual Artist Trading Card Exhibition, Richmond Art Gallery, British Columbia
- 2008 *Thought for Food,* Trinity University Art Gallery, San Antonio, TX

Professional Experience

- 2023 Artist Talk, Foundations II (Leila Weefur), Stanford University, Berkeley, CA Artist Talk, Art + Design Lecture Series Ceramics (Jennifer Ling Datchuk), TX State University Panel Discussion: Transnational Asian Identity, (Alden Sager) CAMH, Houston, TX
- Artist Talk, Professional Practices (Holly Veselka), Texas State University
 Artist Studio Visit, Glassell Studio School BLOCK Program (Francesca Fuchs), Houston, TX
 Panel Discussion, Grow Our Souls (Dr. Susette Min), SOMArts, San Francisco, CA
 Visiting Artist Talk, Arts in Houston, University of Houston, TX
- Artist Feature, Pride Month Museum of Fine Arts Houston, TX (virtual)
 Artist Talk, Texas Talks Art (Ashley DeHoyos), Diverseworks, Houston, TX (virtual)
 Artist Interview, Carriers: Blaffer Art Museum, Houston, TX (virtual)
- 2020 Journal Contributor, Meridians: feminism, race, transnationalism, Vol. 19
- 2019 Panel Discussion Talk About + Interview, Women and Their Work, Austin, TX Panel Discussion I ain't sari, Lawndale Art Center, Houston, TX Artist Talk + Studio Visits, Trinity University, San Antonio, TX

Awards + Publications

- 2023 Traveling Somewhere Warm in our Minds. Chenoa Baker. Sixty from Center.
- 2022 *Preetika Rajgariah: Servicing Self.* KK Kozik. **The Brooklyn Rail**. *Critics' Pick Houston*. Salome Kokoladze. **ArtForum** Magazine.
- 2021 Artadia Houston Awardee
 Idea Fund Round 14 Awardee
 Preetika Rajgariah's Acts of Reclamation. Amarie Gipson. Houstonia Magazine.
 2018 Texas Studio: Preetika Rajgariah. Emily Hynds. Arts and Culture Texas.
- 2018 *Texas Studio: Preetika Rajgariah*. Emily Hynds. **Arts and Culture Texas**. *Home to Self: An Interview with Preetika Rajgariah*, Tempestt Hazel. **Sixty From Center**. *OPP Interviews Preetika Rajgariah*, Stacia Yeapanis. **OtherPeoplesPixels**.
- 2012 New American Paintings, No. 102, Western Issue. (Juror: Bill Arning)