

# DIMITRA SKANDALI

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## **Education**

**2011-2013** *Master of Fine Arts, New Genres, San Francisco Art Institute, San Francisco, CA*

**2006-2010** *Ptychion (University Degree), Painting, Athens School of Fine Arts, Athens, GR*

**2008-2009** *Erasmus-Socrates Exchange Program, Hogeschool voor der Kunst, Utrecht, the Netherlands*

**1988-1993** *Ptychion (University Degree), Business Administration, Athens Polytechnic University (TEI of Athens), Athens, GR*

## **Awards and Honors**

2023 Artist-in-Residence, Ann Weber's Studio, San Pedro, CA

2022 Artist-in-Residence, Studio System, Torrance Art Museum, Torrance, CA

2019 Artist-in-Residence, The Bridge Residency, Los Angeles, CA

2018 Artist-in-Residence, Peripheral Visions, Chandra Cerrito Contemporary, Oakland, CA  
Artist-in-Residence, The Studios of Key West, Key West, FL

2017 Artist-in-Residence, The Artist House, St. Mary's College of Maryland, St Mary's City, MD

2016 Selected artist for the 2x2 Solos Award, ProArts Gallery, Oakland, CA

2015 Artist-in-Residence, Jail Cell Residency, San Francisco, CA

Artist-in-Residence, The Bridge Residency, Los Angeles, CA

2014 Artist-in-Residence, The Studios of Key West, Key West, FL

First Prize, Best of Show, "Summer National Juried Exhibition", Marin Museum of Contemporary Art, Novato, CA

Artist-in-Residence, Lucid Art Foundation, Inverness, CA

2013-2014 Artist-in-Residence, Root Division, San Francisco, CA

2013 Artist-in-Residence, Post-Studio's Residency, Studio 110, Sausalito, CA

First Place Anne Bremer Memorial Prize, San Francisco Art Institute, San Francisco, CA

Outstanding Graduate Student Award in New Genres, San Francisco Art Institute, San Francisco, CA

2012 The Murphy & Cadogan Contemporary Art Awards and Fellowship, San Francisco Foundation, San Francisco, CA

### **Solo – Two Person Exhibitions**

2022-23 *Whispers in my hands*, Solo show, Athens Art Gallery, Athens, GR

2021 *Floating Land*, Solo show, Apothiki Art House, Paros, GR

2020 *Sun Writing*, Solo outdoors site specific installation, Paros Festival, Paros, GR

2019 *Salty Fields*, Herakleidon Museum, Two-person-show, Athens, GR

*Sea beds and Signals*, Solo show, Cube Space, Berkeley Civic Arts Program, Berkeley, CA

*Tiny – Vast Universes*, 2012-19, Solo show, Gray Contemporary, Houston, TX

2018 *You are the result of the love of thousands*, Solo show, Peripheral Visions Program, Chandra Cerrito Contemporary, Oakland, CA

*In my end is my beginning*, Solo show, Don Soker Contemporary Art, San Francisco, CA

2016 *Meltemia and other stories*, Solo show, Don Soker Contemporary Art, San Francisco, CA

*Desimata/Ties*, Solo show, The Aegean Center for the Fine Arts, Paros, GR

*now the weakening shadow remains, and its cracked confidence...2x2 Solos*, ProArts Gallery, Oakland, CA

2015 *Loves, fears and hopes*, Solo show, Jail/Cell Residency, San Francisco, CA

*My Aegean Portal*, Solo show, The Bridge Residency, Los Angeles, CA

*Through the seas, my roots*, Solo show, The Addison Street Windows Gallery, Berkeley Civic Arts Program, Berkeley, CA

2014 *a floating forest-island, inside*, Solo show, The Studios of Key West, Key West, FL

*Listen*, Solo show, Lucid Art Foundation, Inverness, CA

2013 *As Here Is to There*, Two-person-show, Savernack Street Gallery, San Francisco, CA

*Sirens*, Two-person-show, Diego Rivera Gallery, San Francisco, CA

*Tiny – Vast Universes*, Photographs, Solo show, Paul Sack Still Lights Gallery, San Francisco, CA

2011 *Selected works*, Solo show, Giasemi Café and Alternative Space, Amorgos, GR

*Amaranta Sea/Sky*, Solo show, Lefkes Village Hotel, Paros, GR

2010 *Selected Works*, Two-person-show, Bartesera Bar, Athens, GR

2007 *Journeys of the Eyes*, Solo show, Pontoporos Art Gallery, Paros, GR

### **Selected Group Exhibitions**

- 2023 *Home Away from Home*, 2023 Larnaca Biennale. Larnaca, Cyprus.  
*/ the Butterfly effect*, Textile manufacturing facility ‘Butterfly’, Athens. GR  
*Σαλπάρουμε – Zarpamos*, Cycladic Arts Gallery, Paros, GR
- 2022 *Reality Check, Chapter II, Inner Sanctum*, Psychiatric Hospital of Attica, Dafni, Athens, GR  
*Natura Patiens*, Future Sklavos Glyptothek, Argostoli, Kefalonia, GR  
*Weaving Worlds*, Deere College, Athens, GR  
*Cocta Terra*, i-D Project Art Space, Athens, GR  
*Have a Seat*, Hellenic American Union, Athens, and Apothiki Art Gallery, Paros, GR
- 2021 *Reality Check*, Psychiatric Hospital of Attica, Dafni, Athens, GR  
*1821, Optiki mias epanastasis (1821, a revolution perspective)*, Polemiko Museum, and IMAGINE VISUAL ARTS, Athens, GR
- 2020 *Until It Shatters*, Root Division / Feminist Art Coalition, San Francisco, CA  
*Tunnels of the Mind/ Artistic Messages to Inspire*, Times Square, New York, NY and San Francisco Art Institute Tower, San Francisco, CA  
*We Are Here / Here We Are*, Durden and Ray, Los Angeles County, CA  
*Castaways*, Bateman Foundation Gallery of Nature, Victoria, British Columbia, CA  
*Coastlines*, The Studios of Key West, Key West, FL
- 2019 *Here is the Sea*, Richmond Art Center, Richmond, CA  
*New Year’s Gallery Artists Group Show*, Don Soker Contemporary Art, San Francisco, CA
- 2018 *A heap of broken images where the sun beats*, The Aegean Center for the Arts, Paros, GR  
*In the Stillness Between Two Waves of the Sea*, Durden and Ray, Los Angeles, CA  
*Lagoons, those vulnerable entities*, Divani Palace Hotel, Athens, GR traveled to Fethiye Tzami (mosque), Nafpaktos, GR  
*Plankton: Wonders of life*, Gounaropoulos Museum, Athens, GR – travelled to Archaeological Museum of Patras, Patras, GR  
*Spring Selections*, Don Soker Contemporary Art, San Francisco, CA  
*Message in the Bottle*, Palace of Fine Arts, San Francisco, CA  
*Water is Life*, The Growlery, San Francisco, CA

- 2017 *Find Refuge In Art (FRIA)*, organized by The Hellenic Open University, Technostasio, Athens, Greece  
*Fata Morgana*, Aggregate Space, Oakland, CA
- 2016 *Not Your Run of the Mill*, Chandra Cerrito Contemporary, Oakland, CA  
*The Ocean After Nature*, Yerba Buena Center for the Arts, San Francisco, CA  
*Fragmented Identities*, Borders Festival, Venice Art House Gallery & Palazzo Ca'Zanardi, Venice, IT  
*ReFrame, The Imperceptible Self*, Transart Triennale 2016, UFERSTUDIOS, Berlin, GE  
*The Imperceptible Self & 2016 London Biennale MANILA Pollination: Synchronisations-Syncopations*, Transart Triennale 2016, First United Building, Manila, PH  
*Sea(s)*, 2016 International Festival, Kefallonia & Ithaca, GR  
*Pop-Up Palmyra*, P.A. Hearst Museum of Anthropology, Berkeley, CA  
*Demarcate, Territorial shift in personal and societal mapping*, San Jose Institute of Contemporary Art, San Jose, CA
- 2015 *Obsidere*, Alter Space, San Francisco, CA
- 2014 *Everybody's Ocean*, Santa Cruz Museum of Art and History, Santa Cruz, CA  
*Emergent Atlas*, Yerba Buena Center for the Arts, San Francisco, CA  
*Make Space*, Berkeley Art Center, Berkeley, CA  
*Peace Mechanisms*, 2<sup>nd</sup> International Santorini Biennale, Santorini, GR  
*Bellwether 2014 – Connect*, 12<sup>th</sup> Sculpture Biennial, Bellevue, WA  
*Summer National Juried Exhibition*, Marin Museum of Contemporary Art, MarinMOCA, Novato, CA  
*If...*, Googleplex, Mountain View, CA  
*Wabi Sabi*, Alter Space, San Francisco, CA  
*Inspire Artists Who Inspire You*, Pro Arts Gallery, Oakland, CA  
*Reconnaissance*, Headlands Center for the Arts, Sausalito, CA
- 2013 *Installations*, Don Soker Contemporary Art, San Francisco, CA  
*Art from the Heart*, GOWANUS LOFT, New York, NY  
*Imagining Time, Gathering Memory: Día de los Muertos*, SOMArts, San Francisco, CA  
*Seamarks, shipyards and seashores*, Post-Studio, Studio 110, Sausalito, CA  
*Sustainable Art*, Refusalon, San Francisco, CA  
*NextNewCA*, San Jose Institute of Contemporary Art, San Jose, CA

- Biennial Project*, Online Roadshow, Venice, IT
- Currency: Master of Fine Arts Graduate Exhibition*, the Old Mint, San Francisco, CA
- Flashlight, blanket, box of matches, journal, rope, bucket, magnifying glass, whistle*, Swell Gallery, San Francisco, CA
- MFA Now 2013*, Root Division, San Francisco, CA
- 2012 *Rob the Noise Bank*, The Lab, San Francisco, CA
- The Annual Murphy & Cadogan Contemporary Art Awards Exhibition*, SOMArts Cultural Center, San Francisco, CA
- History, Time, Memory and Nostalgia*, 1<sup>st</sup> International Santorini Biennale, Santorini, GR
- Odd Piece*, Swell Gallery, San Francisco, CA
- Sol Legit*, Diego Rivera Gallery, San Francisco, CA
- 2011 *Unity*, Dimitrakopoulos Municipal Gallery, Paros Island, GR
- Smile in the Mind*, Fringe Festival, Technopolis, Athens, GR
- 2010 *About the Sea*, Dimitrakopoulos Municipal Gallery, Paros, GR
- Selected Works*, Anemomilos Gallery, Paros, GR
- Graduation Exhibition*, Athens School of Fine Arts, Athens, GR
- 2009 *Dilemma*, Holland Tunnel Gallery, Paros, GR
- Alstublieft*, Das Bilt Gallery, Utrecht, the Netherlands
- 2008 *Out Of Place*, Das Bilt Gallery, Utrecht, the Netherlands
- 5<sup>th</sup> Biennale of Greek Art Students*, Athens, GR
- Cosmos*, Holland Tunnel Gallery, Paros, GR
- 11 Friends on Paros*, Aegean School of Fine Arts, Paros Island, GR

### **Special Projects – Collaborations – Lectures**

- 2023 *Lecture*, Mills College at Northeastern University, Oakland, CA
- Lecture*, University of California, Berkeley, CA
- 2022 *Lecture*, Archilochos Cultural Center, Paros, GR
- Women Mind the Water Podcast Series*, Museum of Main Street, Smithsonian Institution, Main, USA
- 2021 *Lecture*, Ioannina School of Fine Arts, Ioannina, GR
- Lecture*, Athens School of Fine Arts, Athens, GR
- 2020 *Lecture*, San Francisco Art Institute, San Francisco, CA

- Visiting artist*, The Heritage Management Organization: online Summer School on Community Engagement in collaboration with The Paros Festival
- 2019 *Lecture*, Hellenic International Studies in the Arts, Paros, GR
- 2017 *Water/Bodies*, collaboration on the *Story Circles* performance series with Daniel Bear Davis & Deirdre Morris, St. Mary's College of Maryland, St Mary's City, MD  
*Lecture*, St. Mary's College of Maryland, St Mary's City, MD
- 2016 *Lecture*, Athens School of Fine Arts, Athens, GR  
*Lecture*, Aegean School for the Fine Arts, Paros, GR  
*Lecture*, Hellenic International Studies in the Arts, Paros, GR  
*Lecture*, California State University Maritime Academy, Vallejo, CA
- 2015 *Lecture*, Aegean School for the Fine Arts, Paros, GR  
*Lecture*, Hellenic International Studies in the Arts, Paros, GR
- 2014 *Peace in The Park*, performance with Fariba Bogzaran & Hannah D Mott, Festival of Peace, Golden Gate Park, San Francisco, CA  
Participation on the scenario of *48 Ways of Breaking Down a Barrier* by Zeina Barakeh, Yerba Buena Center for the Arts, San Francisco, CA
- 2013-18 *This is only a test*, a featured sound piece at MOMA Studio online SoundMap
- 2010 *Art and the City* workshop, CityLink Shopping Center, Athens, GR
- 2008 *Anja Molska's* outdoors art project, Utrecht, the Netherlands  
Participation in a *Mosaic Workshop at St. Gerasimos's monastery*, Jericho, Israel

### **Curatorial Work**

- 2018 Co-curator, *A heap of broken images where the sun beats*, The Aegean Center for the Arts, Paros, GR  
Co-curator, *In the Stillness Between Two Waves of the Sea*, Durden and Ray, Los Angeles, CA
- 2008 Curator, *11 Friends on Paros*, The Aegean School of Fine Arts, Paros Island, GR

### **Publications - Interviews**

- 2023 The New Farmer's Almanac VOL. VI. *Adjustments & Accommodations*. Greenhorns editions.  
*Whispers in my Hands*. Solo exhibition @Athens Art Gallery. Mikri Arktos. Catalogue.

January.

Pournara Margarita. *Paros acquires a welcoming home for contemporary art.*

Kathimerini.gr. April

Tsakarelou, Ioanna. *Whispers in my Hands: artist Dimitra Skandali in dialogue with nature through her art.* Maxmag.gr. January

2022 Pournara, Margarita. *Athens Art Gallery: Cycladic Breeze in Kolonaki area, Athens.*

Kathimerini.gr. December

CultureNow.gr. *Dimitra Skandali for Whispers in my Hands solo exhibition: video.*

December

Tsakarelou, Ioanna. *A space/exhibition specificity: The case of "Reality Check" Chapter II, Inner Sanctum, at Daphne Psychiatric Hospital, Athens.* Maxmag.gr. December

Artefacts Athens. *Reality Check, chapter II: inner sanctum.* Catalogue. November

Ermidi, Afroditi. *One of the abandoned buildings of Daphne Psychiatric Hospital welcomes a unique exhibition.* Documentonews.gr. October. In Greek.

Dacoula, Elena. *Chapter II: inner sanctum. We went at the exhibition in Daphne Psychiatric Hospital.* Athensvoice.gr. October. In Greek.

Mastorakou, Natassa. *Kostas Prapoglou explains how an exhibition helps us win the darkness.* In.gr. October. In Greek.

Zarari, Sofia. *A different exhibition: Reality Check, chapter II, inner sanctum.* Efsyn.gr. October. In Greek.

Benschop, Jurriaan. *Turning Inwards.* Arterritory.com. October.

Iwasawa, Satomi. *Reality Check, a review.* Newsphere.jp. October. In Japanese.

Kormaris, Paris. *Daphne hosts an exhibition for the 'core of our souls'.* Ow.gr. October. In Greek.

Koutsi, Antigoni. *In the depths of the human soul.* Efsyn.gr. September. In Greek.

Koutsi, Antigoni. *Weaving Worlds: an exhibition that opens a contemporary dialogue between different realities.* Athinorama.gr. May. In Greek.

Papageorgiou, Vicky. *Reality is merely an illusion, albeit a very persistent one.* A review of Reality Check at Attica Psychiatric Hospital in Dafni, Athens. January.

2021 Artefacts Athens. *Reality Check. What's your own reality?* Catalogue. October

Kladis, Aggelos. *Inside the Dafni Hospital, in an impressive contemporary exhibition, which gives a new meaning in the term 'reality'.* Athinorama.gr. October. In Greek.

Art-agenda.com. *Reality Check* / artefact athens, Athens, Greece | September 9–October 17, 2021. Announcement. October.

In.gr. *Reality Check: a unique exhibition for the concept of reality in Dafni*. October. In Greek.

Monopoli.gr. *Reality Check exhibition extended through October 17, 2021*. October. In Greek.

ARCHICHEARCH.COM. *REALITY CHECK: WHAT'S YOUR OWN REALITY? | PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITAL OF ATTICA, DAFNI, ATHENS, 09.09 – 17.10.2021*. October.

Baxevani, Christiana. *Reality check exhibition in Dafni causes what it is promised*. Popaganda.gr. October. In Greek.

Koroxenidi, Alexandra. *Reality Check at the Attica Psychiatric Hospital in Dafni*. Theartnewspaper.gr. October. In Greek.

Chatzis, Christos. *The Psychiatric Hospital of Athens, known as Dafni, is transformed into a gallery*. Ozon magazine. October. In Greek.

Pournara, Margarita. *What does it mean 'inside' and 'outside'...Exit paths, beds made of hand watches and 'small dazzled nothings.'* Kathimerini Greek National newspaper. September. In Greek.

Athens Insider. *Why you should make time to see 'Reality Check', an on-site exhibition at the Psychiatric Hospital in Dafni*. September.

Michailidou, Christina. *Reality Check: a different exhibition in Dafni*. MaxMag.Gr. September. In Greek.

Vitali, Rea. *When art isn't afraid to go to Dafni*. Protagon.gr. September. In Greek.

Tsitsopoulos, Stefanos. *Reality Check in Dafni: Hymn to freedom*. Athens Voice. September. In Greek.

Pournara, Margarita. *An exhibition in Dafni examines the fine limits between the 'inside' and the 'outside.'* Kathimerini Greek National newspaper. September. In Greek.

Kakouriotis, Spyros. *Kostas Prapoglou, an interview: No time, nor place, only human existence*. Monopoli.gr. September. In Greek.

Boemio, Camilla. *Le corde poetiche della memoria degli alberi*. Exhibart. August

GR Collectors. *1821, Optiki mias epanastasis (1821, a revolution perspective)*. Catalogue. August



- Almino Wouk, Elisa. *A View From the Easel During Times of Quarantine*.  
Hyperallergic.com. January
- 2020 Root Division. *Until it Shatters*. Catalogue. December
- 2020 *The Heritage Management Organization: on line Summer School on Community Engagement*. Podcast. October
- Gray, Lisa. Interview. The Flux Review Blog. August
- Boemio, Camilla. *La citta emancipate. Prigetti d' arte urbana in pandemia*. EXIBART. June
- Remenchik, Jennifer. *An exhibition across LA takes on New Meanings in Times of Protest*. Hyperallergic. June
- Schomaker, Kristine. *Living through a Pandemic: Artists Experiment, Inspire and Persevere*. Art and Cake LA. June
- Knight, Christopher. *Miss seeing art? 100 artists come to the rescue with work in public view across L.A.* LA Times. May
- Miranda, Carolina A. *Essential Arts: To spend, or not to spend, the museum endowment*. LA Times. May
- Davis, Genie. *This Weekend, Durden and Ray puts Art on the Map*. Art and Cake LA. May
- Dambrot, Shana Nys. *Arts at Home: May 14-17*. LA Weekly. May
- Dambrot, Shana Nys. *More than a Walkthrough: Galleries get creative in their digital and analog adaptations*. LA Weekly. May
- Zappas, Lindsay Preston. *Art Insider May 19: Viewing art by car is becoming the new norm*. KCRW. May
- Salty Fields at Herakleidon Museum*. Catalogue. May
- Salty Fields. Athens. To March 29*. Ekathimerini.com. March
- Let's Talk About Seaweeds*. ArtNews.gr (TaNeatisTechnis). February
- 2019 Tzimourtas, Yannis. *How Salty Fields were born: Nina Fragopoulou*. Art.22, December
- Aggeliki Loi | Dimitra Skandali, Salty Fields: Two person show with parallel events*. ItsOnlyArts. December
- Aggeliki Loi | Dimitra Skandali, Salty Fields*. AthensVoice. December. Announcement
- Salty Fields at The Herakleidon Museum, Athens*. Ert. November. Announcement
- Tzimourtas, Yannis. *Salty Fields of Aggeliki Loi and Dimitra Skandali*. Art.22. November

- Archaeological Museum of Patras editions. *Plankton: Wonders of life*. Catalogue.
- Hashe, Janis. *High Time to Get to Sea*. East Bay Express. May
- 2018 Schomaker, Kristine. *Memorable Art Events of 2018 From our Contributors and Readers: In the Stillness Between Two Waves of the Sea*. ArtAndCakeLA. December
- Culturenow. *Group exhibition of Greek and American artists @The Aegean Center for the Fine Arts on Paros*. September
- Bitker, Janelle. *You are the result of the love of thousands @Chandra Cerrito Contemporary*. East Bay Express. July
- Quinn, Patrick. *In the Stillness Between Two Waves of the Sea: A Group show at Durden and Ray*. ArtAndCakeLA. June
- Davis, Genie. *Art as Poetry. In the Stillness Between Two Waves of the Sea*. Diversions LA. June
- Roth, David M. *Dimitra Skandali @ Don Soker*. Squarecylinder. May
- Byrd, Cathy. *Key West: Creativity at the end of the road*. Podcast. Fresh Art International. April
- Gounaropoulos Museum editions. *Plankton: Wonders of life*. Catalogue. April
- Aggregate Space Gallery editions. *First 50*. Catalogue.
- 2017 Root Division. *15 Years Anniversary*. Catalogue. December
- 2016 ProArts Gallery. *2x2 solos 2016*. Catalogue. December
- Bamberger, Alan. *Don Soker Gallery: Dimitra Skandali - Meltemia and Other Stories*. ArtBusiness.com. December
- Friends of Paros. *I grew up in Alyki of Paros, Greece*. Fall edition. 12<sup>th</sup> issue. October
- Borders Festival. *It's Liquid International Art show - Venice 2016*. Catalogue. October
- Pack, Jane. *Dimitra Skandali is showing recent work at The Aegean Center*. Aegean Center for the Fine Arts Blog. August
- Chun, Kimberley. *Ocean After Nature at YBCA*. SFGate. June

- Artdaily.com. *Exhibition explores contemporary artists' depictions of the ocean today*. June
- Independent Curators International (ICI) NY. *The Ocean After Nature*. Catalogue. June
- ProArts Blog. *Interview with Samantha Reynolds about the 2016 2x2 solos at ProArts Gallery*. July
- 2015 Hotchkiss, Sarah. *Bay Area Artists Dive into the Big Blue*. KQED Arts. August
- 2014 Robin, Mayer. *Artist-in-residence at Studios of Key West weaves the ocean into her art*. Kongnet.com. November
- Gamerman, Ellen. *Everybody's an Art Curator*. The Wall Street Journal. October
- Berkeley Times. *New exhibition: Berkeley Art Center mixes it up with Make Space*. August
- Bamberger, Alan. *Wabi Sabi - Impermanence, Imperfection, and the Accidental*. ArtBusiness.com. March
- ART Trends Magazine. *Featured artist in Sculpture on the online edition of the Artist of the Year 2013*. Canada
- 2013 Smith, Kara. SFMOMA. *In Review*. The Post Studio Residencies, Studio 110 Projects. October
- Metcalf, John. *This Art Gallery Is Only Visible Through a Peephole*. The Atlantic Cities. August
- Roth, David M. *Currency SFAI's MFA Show @ The Old Mint*. Squarecylinder.com. May
- Hapsis, E. & Acker, L. *Meet the MFA Grads Who Make Us Believe in Art Again*. KQED Pop. May
- Hotchkiss, Sarah. *SFAI MFA Students Overtake the Old Mint in 'Currency'*. KQED Arts. May
- Art & Education. *San Francisco Art Institute. Currency*. Announcement. May
- Theopheles, Christos N. *Se Enestota Chrono "With respect to small, humble and insignificant"*. Xronos.gr. March
- Root Division. *"MFA Now 2013 Archive"*. Catalogue. March
- San Francisco Arts Quarterly (SFAQ) *MFA Now 2013*. February
- 2012 Kusber, Alexa. *Seaweed as Muse – Artist Dimitra Skandali installs her work / Santorini Bienalle*. 1<sup>st</sup> International Bienalle of Santorini's blog. July
- 2011 Pittas, Giorgos. *Some thoughts about the installation of Dimitra Skandali....* Simadia tou Aigaiou. May