Cherisse Alcantara

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EDUCATION

Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts | Philadelphia, PA
2021 Master of Fine Arts

University of California-Berkeley | Berkeley, CA
2013 Bachelor's in Art, Art Practice

PUBLIC COLLECTION

2025 **San Francisco Arts Commission, Two-Dimensional Artwork Program Purchase Award**

AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS & RESIDENCIES

2024 **Chalk Hill Residency**
2023 **Yerba Buena Center for the Arts Teaching Artist in Residence 2022-23**
2022 **Kreative Growth Grant, Balay Kreative Studios**
2021 **The Hopper Prize, Spring 2021 Finalist**
2021 **The Murray Dessner Memorial Travel Award**, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts
2021 **Fine Arts Venture Fund 2021**, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts
2019 **Artistic Excellence Award, MFA Merit Scholarship**, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts
2019 **The Jentel Artist Residency Program**
2018 **NCWCA Mentee Award**, The Northern California Women's Caucus for Art
2013 **Wendy Sussman Undergraduate Award in Painting**; **Honors Studio**; and **Excellence in Drawing Award**, Department of Art Practice, University of California-Berkeley

SOLO & TWO-PERSON EXHIBITIONS

2022 **Balay Kreative Growth Grant Exhibition**, CAST Building | San Francisco, CA
2017 **Suggestive Narratives**, Pence Gallery | Davis, CA
2015 **Wendy Sussman Prize in Painting**, Worth Ryder Gallery | University of California-Berkeley

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2026 **SFAC Two-Dimensional Artwork Program Permanent Collection**
Gene Friend Recreation Center | San Francisco, CA
I have considered the lilies, or, Everything is alright and fine forever
Berkeley Art Center | Berkeley, CA
2025 **Makibaka - A Living Legacy**, Yerba Buena Center for the Arts | San Francisco, CA
2024 **Inaugural Northern California Open**, Marin Museum of Contemporary Art | San Rafael, CA
MADE in California, Brea Gallery | Los Angeles, CA
2024 Left Coast Annual Juried Exhibition, Sanchez Art Center | Pacifica, CA

(Juried by Janna Keegan, Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco)
The Spring Invitational*,* 500 Capp Street Foundation | San Francisco, CA

2023-24 **Home Away From Home,** SFMOMA Community Art Show
San Francisco Museum of Modern Art | San Francisco, CA

2023 **The de Young Open 2023***,* The de Young Museum | San Francisco, CA
Wander Woman 3*,* JCCSF Katz Snyder Gallery | San Francisco, CA

2022 **No Way Out But Through***,* Berkeley Art Center, Berkeley, CA
Contemporary Color*,* Online Exhibition, Site: Brooklyn Gallery | Brooklyn, NY

2021 **Excuse Me, Can I See Your ID - Part Two**, Vessel Gallery | Oakland, CA
MFA Thesis Exhibition*,* Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts | Philadelphia, PA

2020 **Art is Essential***,* Online Exhibition, Vessel Gallery | Oakland, CA

2018 **A Reckoning: Botanicals and Beyond,** Vessel Gallery | Oakland, CA
With Liberty and Justice For Some*,* Berkeley Art Center | Berkeley, CA
Excuse Me, Can I See Your ID?, Vessel Gallery | Oakland, CA

2017 **4th Annual Juried Art Show**, Piedmont Center for the Arts | Piedmont, CA
(Juried by Carin Adams, Oakland Museum, and Sarah Roberts, SFMOMA)

2016 **Here, Part 1***,* Berkeley Art Center | Berkeley, CA
Foursquared, Arc Gallery | San Francisco, CA

PUBLIC ART

2025 **Soma Project for Soma Pilipinas Presents Makibaka: A Living Legacy,** Digitally collated stair riser installation, 22/25, Yerba Buena Center for the Arts | San Francisco, CA

2023 **SOMA Slow Streets Ground Murals***,* Commissioned by SOMCAN | San Francisco, CA

PRESS & PUBLICATIONS

2022 Painter Cherisse Alcantara captures the vibrant SOMA Pilipinas Cultural District, 48 Hills, by Mary Corbin, December 2022

2019 Filipino American Artist Directory 2019 Publication, Edited by Janna Añonuevo Langholz

TEACHING

Visual Arts Teacher-Painting, Urban School of San Francisco | San Francisco, California