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EDUCATION

1996 – 2000 BFA, Bachelor of Fine Arts Degree (Honours), UBC Okanagan, Kelowna BC Canada

SELECTED SOLO AND DUO EXHIBITIONS

- 2016 Somewhere in Between the Boundaries, Absolute Space for the Arts, Tainan City Taiwan, collaboration with Ya-chu Kang
- 2014 Upside Down Fire, Initial Gallery, Vancouver BC Canada, collaboration with Ya-chu Kang
- 2013 Boom and Bust 澎呀派, Art Experience Gallery, Hong Kong China, collaboration with Ya-chu Kang
- 2013 Carry an Object with You, Kimoto Gallery, Capture Photography Festival, Vancouver BC Canada, with Ya-chu Kang
- 2013 Portable Walls, Maple Ridge Art Gallery, Maple Ridge BC Canada, collaboration with Ya-chu Kang, Catalogue
- 2012 Portable Walls, Elliott Louis Gallery, Vancouver BC Canada, collaboration with Ya-chu Kang, Catalogue
- 2010 Nomadic Recoils, Äkkigalleria, Jyväskylä Finland, with Roy Hopiavuori
- 2010 Point of Reference, View Art Gallery, Victoria BC Canada, with Yuri Arajs
- 2009 Collections in Faith, Winsor Gallery, Vancouver BC Canada
- 2008 Hope Floats, Alternator Gallery - Window Gallery, Kelowna BC Canada
- 2008 Open Spaces, The Art Ark Gallery, Kelowna BC Canada
- 2007 Project Flyleaf in the fridge, The Art Ark Gallery, Kelowna BC Canada
- 2006 Project Flyleaf, Elliott Louis Gallery, Vancouver BC Canada
- 2005 ACTions of mass construction, Elliott Louis Gallery, Vancouver BC Canada
- 2004 (un)common (playing)ground, Kelowna Art Gallery, Kelowna BC Canada
- 2004 Life on Exchange, The Art Ark Gallery, Kelowna BC Canada, with Jenny Long
- 2003 Conversations with a brick wall, Old School House Arts Centre, Qualicum Beach BC Canada
- 2003 Art on the Fringes, Ballard Lederer Gallery, Vancouver BC Canada, with Davida Kidd
- 2002 Systematic Confusion, Ballard Lederer Gallery, Vancouver BC Canada
- 2002 Pedestrian Hitchhiker with a Chair, Helen Pitt Gallery, Vancouver BC Canada

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2017 Canada 150, Kimoto Gallery, Vancouver BC Canada
- 2016 Summer Mix II, Kimoto Gallery, Vancouver BC Canada
- 2015 Convergence, National Art Gallery, Bangkok Thailand, with Ya-chu Kang
- 2015 Capture Photography Festival, Remington Gallery, Vancouver BC Canada
- 2015 The Great Scenery, Absolute Space for the Arts, Tainan City Taiwan
- 2015 Yuejin Lantern Festival, Yuejingang Riverside, Yanshui District, Tainan Taiwan, with Ya-chu Kang
- 2014 Summer Group Show, Kimoto Gallery, Vancouver BC Canada
- 2013 Origin within Nations, Traveling exhibition at Fangliao Artist Village & Airforce Heritage House, Fangliao & Pingtung Taiwan
- 2013 Duppini LIKE: The Old Post Office and modern means of communication, Veliko Tarnovo, Bulgaria, with Ya-chu Kang
- 2013 The Dying Eye, Community Art Space, Hangzhou China, with Ya-chu Kang
- 2012 The Dying Eye, Museum of Medical Humanities, Taipei Taiwan, with Ya-chu Kang

- 2012 Taipei Original Festival, Songshan Culture and Creative Park, Taipei Taiwan, with Ya-chu Kang and S.H.E.
- 2012 Schmiede Art Festival, Hallein, Austria, with Ya-chu Kang
- 2012 SWARM, Good Luck Art Gallery, Vancouver BC Canada
- 2012 Excuse Me, How Rude?!, Gallery Fukai, Vancouver BC Canada
- 2012 The Material Glitch, Quinary Art Projects, Vancouver BC Canada
- 2012 Patchbox, Elsewhere Factory, Rome Italy, Catalogue
- 2012 Valcellina Award International Contemporary Textile/Fiber, Manlago, Italy, with Ya-chu Kang
- 2011 UNIT/PITT series III Repute Project, Helen Pitt Gallery, Vancouver BC Canada, with Ya-chu Kang
- 2011 Wind Heaped Up, CAMP Talganie Museum, Okinawa, Japan, with Ya-chu Kang
- 2011 Drawing Connections, Siena Art Institute, Siena, Italy
- 2011 House Games, Äkkigalleria, Jyväskylä Finland, with Ya-chu Kang
- 2011 The Ocean in Us, United Nations Safe Planet Exhibition, The Roundhouse, Vancouver BC Canada
- 2010 A.I.R. Group Show, Taipei Artists Village, TAV, Taipei Taiwan, with Ya-chu Kang
- 2009 Once Upon a Pond....pond hockey and global warming, Esplanade Art Gallery, Medicine Hat AB Canada, Catalogue
- 2009 Stone Soup, Grace Gallery, Vancouver BC Canada, 3 person collaboration with Lisa Birke and Eben Bender
- 2008 Made in the West, Art House Gallery, Calgary AB Canada, The Works – Art Gallery of Alberta, Edmonton AB Canada
- 2008 Unite for Art, Arthouse Gallery, with UNICEF, Vancouver BC Canada
- 2006 Regeneration, Arthouse Gallery, Vancouver BC Canada
- 2005 Return to Sender, 69 Pender Gallery, Vancouver BC Canada
- 2004 Soft Emergencies, Viking Union Gallery, Bellingham WA, USA
- 2003 Artropolis 2003, Juried Exhibition, CBC-TV Studios, Vancouver BC Canada
- 2002 O2txt: celebrating the visual word, Juried, Chidlaw Gallery, Art Academy of Cincinnati, Cincinnati Ohio USA
- 2001 Helen Pitt Triennial Exhibition, Kelowna Art Gallery, Kelowna BC Canada. Catalogue
- 2000 Unstable Motion, Juried, Gallerie Verticale, Laval QC Canada. Catalogue
- 2000 Emerging, Juried, Alternator Gallery, Kelowna BC Canada, with Diana Thornycroft
- 1997 Land Biography: Pa(y)ssages of the Okanagan, Juried, Kelowna Art Gallery, Kelowna BC Canada

SELECTED VIDEO SCREENINGS

- 2017 THE „OKIEM MŁODYCH” FESTIVAL, Juried, Świdnica, Poland
- 2017 17th Media Art Biennale, WRO BIENNALE 2017: DRAFT SYSTEMS, Juried, Wrocław Poland
- 2015 7th Cairo Video Festival, Juried, Cairo Egypt, with Ya-chu Kang
- 2014 VAEFF, Video Art and Experimental Film Festival, Juried, Tribeca Cinemas, New York City NY, USA, with Ya-chu Kang
- 2014 Wayfinding Film Festival, Juried, Traveling festival screening at Force Field Festival, Philadelphia PA & Wassaic Project, Wassaic NY USA, with Ya-chu Kang
- 2013 SESIFF: The 5th Seoul International Extreme-Short Image and Film Festival, Juried, Seoul Korea, with Ya-chu Kang
- 2012 ANEMIC: Independent Film and New Media Festival, Prague Czech Republic
- 2012 Portland International Film Festival, Portland OR, USA, with Ya-chu Kang
- 2012 Make it Short, Juried, NW Film Center, Portland OR, USA, Judges Award Winner for *Recoil* with Ya-chu Kang
- 2012 Shift, Headbones Gallery, Vernon BC Canada
- 2010 Art's Birthday: Retro Future, Juried, Video Pool Media Arts Centre, Winnipeg MB Canada

- 2010 Project 5, Bloedel Conservatory, selected for Paul Wong's "5", Vancouver BC Canada
- 2009 VIDEOHOLICA, International Video Art Festival, 2nd Edition/ Peking Duck or Video in time of crisis, Juried, Varna, Bulgaria
- 2008 HI MOM FILM Festival #10, Juried, Chapel Hill, Carrboro NC, USA
- 2008 Soundwave>Series ((3)), Juried, ME'D1.ATE Network, San Francisco CA, with Sam McKinlay
- 2007 International Short Film Festival, Juried, Fundacion Octaedro, Quito-Ecuador, South America
- 2006 NEXTFest, Next Generation Arts Festival, Juried, Edmonton AB Canada
- 2006 HI MOM FILM Festival #9, Juried, Chapel Hill, Carrboro NC, USA
- 2006 Signal & Noise 2006, Juried, Video In Studios, Vancouver BC Canada
- 2005 Temporal Transmissions, Eastern Edge Gallery, St. John's NF Canada
- 2005 Neighbourhood, Centre A Gallery, Vancouver BC Canada
- 2005 HI MOM FILM Festival #8, Juried, Chapel Hill, Carrboro NC, USA
- 2005 Temporal Transmissions, Juried, Alternator Gallery, Kelowna BC Canada
- 2005 Duotone Arts Festival 2005, Kelowna BC Canada
- 2004 Bien jouer, love, Underground, Calgary AB Canada
- 2001 Asleep at the Wheel, Trinity Square Video, Toronto ON Canada, with Stephen Foster, Gary Pearson, & Brian Gotro.
Artist Run Gallery Exchange Exhibition with The Alternator Gallery, Kelowna BC Canada

SELECTED PERFORMANCES

- 2012 Recipes for Walls, Elliott Louis Gallery, Vancouver BC Canada, with Ya-chu Kang
- 2010 Clamour and Toll, Candahar Bar Project, Playwrights Theatre Centre, curated by Eli Bornowsky, Vancouver BC Canada,
with Ya-chu Kang
- 2008 Atlantis, Vancouver Fashion Week, the Chapel, Vancouver BC Canada, with Pacificthorn
- 2008 Birdman, Old San Juan Square, Puerto Rico
- 2007 Dracula vs. Jesus (Vote 2008 series), Piazza San Marco, Venice Italy
- 2006 BLIM does FUSE, Vancouver Art Gallery, selected sound artist, Vancouver BC Canada
- 2006 Canadiana & All Places In Between, Bau-Xi Gallery, Vancouver BC Canada, with Lisa Birke
- 2005 Amplify, Chief Dan George Centre, Vancouver BC Canada
- 2005 AMPTANK, Klondike Route Claim #6, Dawson City YK Canada
- 2005 Signal & Noise 2005, Juried, Video In Studios, Vancouver BC
- 2004 Raw & Cooked, The Western Front, Vancouver BC Canada, with Sam McKinlay & Eli Bornowsky
- 2002 The Rita is in the Hospital, Miss T's Cabaret, Vancouver BC Canada, with The RITA
- 2001 Lucille Balls, The Last Chance Saloon, Wayne AB Canada, with Neil Peters
- 2001 York Hotel: Grande Prairie, The York Hotel, Grande Prairie AB Canada, with Neil Peters & Brian Gotro
- 2000 Pedestrian Hitch-hiker with a chair, Hitch-hiked across Canada (BC – QC) with a wooden Chair, Gallery Exchange with
Alternator Gallery and Gallerie Verticale, supported by the Canada Council
- 1999 Solo, Kastpo Castle, Kalymnos Greece
- 1999 Question Christian, Voinkirche-St. Stephens Cathedral, Vienna Austria
- 1999 Growl, Kelowna Art Gallery, Kelowna BC Canada, with Nobuo Kubota

AWARDS & HONOURS

- 2015 Dave Bown Projects - 11th Semiannual Competition (Curators: Katherine Pill, Ron Platt, Kelly Shindler) Honorable Mention
- 2012 Judges Award Winner for *Recoil* with Ya-chu Kang, Make it Short, NW Film Center, Portland OR, USA
- 2006 Canada Council Media Arts Travel Grant
- 2004 Video Production Grant, Alternator Gallery Kelowna BC Canada
- 2000 Canada Council Visual Arts Travel Grant
- 2000 Helen Pitt Award (2000, 1999, 1998) UBC Okanagan (Academic)
- 2000 UBC Okanagan Traveling Exhibition Award (Academic)
- 1999 Tuition Scholarship Entrance Award, UBC Okanagan (Academic)
- 1999 4th Place in the 19th Annual College Photographer's Forum Contest, San Diego CA, USA
- 1998 Tuition Scholarship Entrance Award, UBC Okanagan (Academic)
- 1998 Kelowna & District Arts Council Bursary (Academic)
- 1998 UBC Okanagan Traveling Exhibition Award (Academic)
- 1997 Turik Crawford Architects Award (Academic)

RESIDENCIES

- 2015 Äkkigalleria, Jyväskylä Finland, with Ya-chu Kang
- 2010 Taipei Artist Village (TAV), Taipei Taiwan, with Ya-chu Kang
- 2010 Äkkigalleria, Jyväskylä Finland
- 2006 New Adventures in Sound Art (NAISA), Deep Wireless Festival, CBC Radio One co-produced by OutFront & Charles Street Video, Toronto ON Canada
- 2004 Alternator Gallery, Kelowna BC Canada

DISCOGRAPHY

- 2015 Syllableshooter, JonnyHawaii Studios Audiobeans, Vienna Austria, collaboration with Thomas Havlik
- 2011 Atlantis, Satan's Din Recording, Sugar Hill GA, USA, collaboration with The RITA
- 2009 The RITA Skate, RRR Records, Lowell MA, USA, collaboration with The RITA
- 2003 Songs of War Ships, FAK Records, Edmonton AB Canada, collaboration with FAK
- 2002 Godamage, Neo P Records, Edmonton AB Canada

COLLECTIONS

- Jyväskylä Art Museum
- Äkkigalleria
- Esplanade Art Gallery
- UBC Okanagan
- St. Paul's Hospital
- New Leaf Editions
- Maple Ridge Art Gallery
- Private Collections

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- COLOR Magazine, Vancouver BC, "Performance, Material and the Aesthetic", Sam McKinlay, Issue 2 Sep 2003, pg. 12-15
- Vancouver Lifestyles Magazine, Vancouver BC, "Making Marks", Christine Hill Riley, Jan 2002 Issue, pg. 18
- Showcase, Kelowna BC, "Winning Works", Neal McKenna, Sep. 20-26, 2001, pg. 1 & 3
- Famous Poets Society, Oregon USA, "A Passive Canopy" (original published poem), 2001
- Mix Magazine, Toronto ON, "Mouvement Instable", Nathalie Dussault, V.26 No.2 Fall 2000, pg. 46-48
- The Okanagan Sunday, Okanagan Valley BC, "Artist will sit across the Country", Portia Priegert, Jul 23, 2000, E-C6
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- Capital News, Kelowna BC, "Happenings", Jean Russell, Apr 2000, Showcase, pg. 2
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ARTIST LECTURES / PRESENTATIONS

- 2016 National Yunlin University of Science and Technology, Yunlin County Taiwan
- 2016 UBC Okanagan, Kelowna BC Canada
- 2015 Äkkigalleria, Jyväskylä Finland
- 2014 Langara College, Vancouver BC Canada
- 2013 Langara College, Vancouver BC Canada
- 2012 Museum of Medical Humanities, Taipei Taiwan, with Ya-chu Kang
- 2012 Elliott Louis Gallery, Vancouver BC Canada, with Ya-chu Kang
- 2012 Langara College, Vancouver BC Canada
- 2010 Treasure Hill Artist Village, Taipei Taiwan, with Ya-chu Kang
- 2008 Richmond Art Gallery, Richmond BC Canada
- 2008 UBC Okanagan, Kelowna BC Canada
- 2006 Langara College, Vancouver BC Canada
- 2006 Rutland Middle School, Art Starts Workshop, Kelowna BC Canada
- 2006 Panel Discussion, Free 103point9 radiobroadcast, (NAISA) New Adventures in Sound Art, Toronto ON Canada
- 2005 McRoberts Secondary, Richmond BC Canada
- 2005 Langara College, Vancouver BC / UBC Okanagan, Kelowna BC Canada
- 2004 UBC Okanagan, Kelowna BC Canada

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2001 – Present Owner, Above Water, Gallery Technician Fine Art Installation Services
- 2013 Co-Director, Fangliao Artist Village Residency, Fangliao Taiwan
- 2009 Curator, Pacificthorn & Bridge and Tunnel Gallery, Vancouver BC Canada
- 2004-09 Instructor: Mixed Media, Arts Umbrella, Vancouver BC Canada
- 2006 Juror, CRES Media Arts Committee for Artist Residency with CFRO Radio, Vancouver BC Canada
- 2001 Artistic Director, Arthur Erickson's Waterfall Building Grand Opening, Vancouver BC Canada
- 1997-00 Board Member, Alternator Gallery, Kelowna BC Canada