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#### SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2017 *Pumice*, **Del Vaz Projects**, Los Angeles, USA (Forthcoming)  
**Campbell River Art Gallery**, Campbell River, Canada (Forthcoming)
- 2015 *Painting with Light*, **Kunstverein Toronto**, Toronto, Canada
- 2014 *Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner & Supper*, **Centre A**, Vancouver, Canada  
*Painting with Light*, **Gallery 295**, Vancouver, Canada
- 2013 *anewground*, **The Apartment**, Vancouver, Canada  
*Wall blobs*, **Terasaki Gallery**, Kofu-shi, Yamanashi, Japan
- 2011 *Scans on Display*, **Blanket Contemporary Art Inc. & The Apartment**, Vancouver, Canada

#### GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2017 Aga Khan Museum, Toronto, Canada (Forthcoming)  
Unit 17, Vancouver, Canada
- 2016 *Vancouver Special: Ambivalent Pleasures*, **Vancouver Art Gallery**, Canada
- 2015 *RBC Emerging Artist People's Choice Award*, **Gardiner Museum**, Toronto, Canada  
*Occasional Furniture*, **The Apartment**, Vancouver, Canada  
*Geometry of Knowing: Part I*, **SFU Galleries**, Burnaby, Canada
- 2014 *Contemporary Art Society Emerging Artist's Prize Exhibition*, **Access Gallery**, Vancouver, Canada
- 2013 *Proof 20*, **Gallery 44**, Toronto, Canada
- 2012 *Serial Abstracts*, **The Commons**, Vancouver, Canada  
*Vessel*, **Access Gallery**, Vancouver, Canada
- 2011 *So Gay!*, **The Apartment**, Vancouver, Canada  
*The Problem of Nothing*, **Hayaka Arti**, Istanbul, Turkey  
*Office Hours*, **Fillip**, Vancouver, Canada  
*Contemporary Histories: Intersecting pasts and future*, **AHVA Gallery**, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada
- 2010 *The International Chilliwack Biennial*, Offsite project of **Artspeak & Or Gallery**, Chilliwack, Canada  
*Emily Carr Graduation Exhibition*, **Emily Carr University**, Vancouver, Canada  
*Hand Joy*, **Centre for Recent Drawing (C4RD)**, London, UK  
*Sculpture Garden*, **Vancouver School of Art Gallery**, Emily Carr University, Vancouver, Canada  
*favorites*, **WOO Gallery**, Emily Carr University, Vancouver, Canada  
*Winter Salon*, **Vancouver School of Art Gallery**, Emily Carr University, Vancouver, Canada
- 2009 *The Hand of a Stranger*, **Shudder Gallery**, Vancouver, Canada  
*Plus1st*, **Hayaka Arti**, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2006 *Foundation Show*, **Emily Carr Concourse Gallery**, Vancouver, Canada  
*The Queer Collective Exhibition*, **Emily Carr Concourse Gallery**, Vancouver, Canada

## COLLABORATIVE PROJECTS

- 2018 **Grunt Gallery** (with Dilara Akay), Vancouver, Canada
- 2012 *screen scans / rescan* (with Nicole Ondre), **Black Diamond / Turner Valley**, Online exhibition  
*Roundhay Garden Scenes* (with Julia Feyrer), Video-In Bar, **VIVO Media Arts Centre**, Vancouver, Canada
- 2011 *Aviary* (with Joshua Bartholomew), **Small Gallery**, Vancouver, Canada

## EDUCATION

- 2010 BFA, **Emily Carr University of Art and Design**, Vancouver, Canada

## ARTIST TALKS / PERFORMANCES / SCREENINGS

- 2017 Dinner performance, **Del Vaz Projects**, Los Angeles, California, USA, January 27  
Panel discussion: *The Materiality of Clay*, **Vancouver Art Gallery**, Vancouver, Canada, January 14
- 2016 Dinner performance, **Campbell River Art Gallery**, Campbell River, Canada, September 3  
*Elaine* (with Anne Low), dinner performance, **Haunt Gallery**, Vancouver, Canada, May 27  
Dinner for CAConrad & Rae Armantrout, **The Capilano Review**, Vancouver, Canada May 14
- 2015 Panel discussion: *Sustenance Festival*, **Contemporary Art Gallery**, Vancouver, October 17  
Artist talk, **Free Home University** at **Ammirato Culture House**, Lecce, Italy in collaboration with **Musegetes**, Guelph, Ontario, Canada, July 12  
RBC Emerging Artist People Choice Award Panel Discussion, **Gardiner Museum**, Toronto, Canada, June 16  
Sculpture Garden self-guided walk (collaboration with Julia Feyrer), **SFU Galleries**, Burnaby, Canada, February 15
- 2013 Artist talk, **Terasaki Gallery**, Kofu-shi, Yamanashi, Japan, August 18
- 2012 *Heroes in the Streets*, Fuse Event, **Vancouver Art Gallery**, Canada, November 9

## AWARDS & GRANTS

- 2016 Project Grant in collaboration with the Campbell River Art Gallery, **Canada Council for the Arts Portfolio Prize**, Emerging Artist Award, Vancouver, Canada

## RESIDENCIES

- 2017 Burrard Marina Field House Residency, **Contemporary Art Gallery**, Vancouver, Canada
- 2015 Artist fellow, **Free Home University** at **Ammirato Culture House**, Lecce, Italy in organization with **Musegetes**, Guelph, Ontario, Canada
- 2013 Self directed residency, **AIR-Yamanashi**, August 4 – September 3, Kofu-shi, Yamanashi, Japan
- 2010 *Theater of Erosion or I Hate Work That is Not A Play*, Thematic residency with artist Geoffrey Farmer, November 11 – December 10, **The Banff Centre**, Canada

## EXHIBITION CATALOGS/TEXTS

- 2016 'Vancouver Special: Ambivalent Pleasures', Vancouver Art Gallery and Black Dog Publishing, Vancouver
- 2014 Patryk Stasieczek, 'Painting with Light', Lighbox, **Gallery 295**, Vancouver
- 2013 Christopher Dzierzawa, 'Meditation/Conversation on Gesture', *anewground*, **The Apartment**, Vancouver  
Mikhel Proulx, 'Views from the Ground', *Proof 20*, **Gallery 44**, Toronto

#### MAGAZINES AND PERIODICALS

- 2017 Jesse McKee, 'Derya Akay', **Kaleidoscope Magazine**, Milan, Italy, January 2017  
Andrew Witt, 'Eccentric, Polymorphous, Abstract: Vancouver Art and other Mythologies of the Near-Future', **The Mainlander**, January 14
- 2016 Kevin Griffin, 'Getting contemporary: Vancouver Special reflects state of the art in Terminal City', **The Vancouver Sun**, December 2  
Marsha Lederman, 'Coastal Disturbance', **The Globe and Mail**, December 2
- 2015 Terence Dick, 'RBC Emerging Artist People's Choice Award at the Gardiner Museum', **Akimbo Online**, July 14  
Sheila Singhal, 'Not Your Mama's Ceramics', **NGC Magazine Online**, July 09  
Sunny Kim, 'RBC's Emerging Artist People's Choice Award', **Artoronto.ca**, June 30
- 2014 Rupert Nuttle, 'Derya Akay: Material Hangings, Hangouts', **Espace Magazine**, #108, Fall issue
- 2013 Michael Turner, 'Michael Turner's Top 3 of 2013: Signs of Change', **Canadian Art Online**, December 19, 2013  
'Derya Akay and Anna Halprin at The Apartment, Vancouver', **Mousse Magazine Online**, December 2, 2013
- 2012 Nathan Pike, 'Fuse', **Discorder Magazine**, Vancouver, November 15
- 2010 Allison Collins, 'Observations from the Chilliwack Biennial', **Fuse Magazine**, Volume 33, No 4

#### PUBLISHED WRITINGS

- 2016 'Tarot decks', **Canadian Art Magazine**, December
- 2015 'Eating and Words and Simmer and Thoughts: An Artist's Recipe', **Canadian Art Online**, October 20, 2015  
'Hit List', **Akimbo Arts Canada**, February 12, 2015
- 2009 'Ahmet Yildiz is My Family', **Woo Magazine**, Emily Carr University, Issue 4,

#### PUBLICATION PROJECTS

- 2016 *A Flower as a Poem*, Published by **Perro Verlag**, Mayne Island, Canada
- 2009 – 2010 *Woo Magazine*, Emily Carr University, Vancouver, Canada
- 2008 – 2009 *FUNDAMENTALIST ZINE*, 3 artist books