

Alma Louise Visscher

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EDUCATION

2009 – 2012 Master of Fine Arts, *Drawing and Intermedia*, University of Alberta, Edmonton AB

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2020-present Sessional Instructor, ARTE 110, MacEwan University, Edmonton AB
2020 Art Program Facilitator, Youth Empowerment and Support Services, Edmonton AB
2020 Mentor, Mitchell Art Gallery Mentorship Program, MacEwan University, Edmonton AB
2019- 2020 Art Facilitator, Trinity Youth Project/ Edmonton Young Offender Centre, Edmonton AB
2018 – 2019 Instructor, Art Mentorship Society of Alberta, Edmonton AB
2018 – 2019 Programming Assistant, Art Mentorship Society of Alberta, Edmonton AB
2016 Lead Artist Mentor, Emerging Artist Residency, Municipality of Wood Buffalo AB
2012 – 2017 Assistant to Director, Scott Gallery, Edmonton AB
2012 Teaching Assistant for Sherri Chaba, ART 540 *Drawing and Intermedia* (Fall Semester), University of Alberta
2010 –11 Principal Instructor for Art 240, *Introduction to Drawing* (Spring and Fall Semester), University of Alberta
2010 Lab Assistant for Drawing Department (Spring Semester), University of Alberta
2010 Teaching Assistant for Liz Ingram, ART 340 *Drawing the Human Figure* (Winter Semester) University of Alberta
2009 Teaching Assistant for Caitlin Wells, ART 339 *Introduction to Drawing* (Fall Semester), University of Alberta

SOLO AND TWO PERSON EXHIBITIONS

2019 (duo) *Future Library of Worries, Hopes and Fears*, Mitchell Art Gallery, MacEwan University, Edmonton AB (with Taryn Kneteman)
2019 (duo) *The fabric of the body*, Mile Zero Spazio Space, Edmonton AB (with Zach Polis)
2017 (solo) *Learning to Levitate*, Sweet Lorraine Gallery, Brooklyn, NY USA
2016 (solo) *A circle in a square*, The Works Art and Design Festival, Edmonton AB
2014 (solo) *Cathedral Cumulus*, RBC New Works Gallery, Art Gallery of Alberta, Edmonton AB
2012 (duo) *Internal Dwellings*, TRUCK15+ Gallery, Calgary AB (with Lindsay Knox)
2011 (solo) *Garden of the Forking Paths*, The FAB Gallery, University of Alberta, Edmonton AB

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2020 *Fibreworks 2020*, Canadian Biennial of Fibre Art, Idea Exchange, Cambridge ON
2019 *Look Again*, Whitebrick Gallery, Detroit Michigan USA (curated by Thea Reid)
2019 *Abstract Answers*, Kimura Gallery, University of Alaska Anchorage, Anchorage Alaska, USA (curated by Riva Symko)
2018 *Edmonton Arts Datathon*, Edmonton Community Foundation, Edmonton AB
2018 *The Soul of the Amethyst*, Lilliput Gallery, London ON
2018 *Women in Art*, Scott Gallery, Edmonton AB
2018 *FLUGBAHN*, PilotenKueche, Leipzig Germany
2018 *UNHEIMLICH*, Alte Handelsschule, Leipzig Germany
2018 *Kaleidoscope GmbH*, PingPong Gallery, Leipzig Germany

- 2017 *Hibernaculum*, The Works Festival Gallery, Edmonton AB
- 2017 *Open Studios*, Banff Centre for Arts and Creativity, Banff AB
- 2016 *6 Weeks in the Studio*, MacDonald Island Gallery, Fort McMurray AB
- 2015 *BrainStorm: UAlberta Creates*, Enterprise Square Gallery, Edmonton AB
- 2015 *Future Station*, Alberta Biennial of Contemporary Art, Art Gallery of Alberta, Edmonton AB
- 2014 *Art Show (32 Arbruat)*, Blönduós Iceland
- 2013 *Phantom Wing*, Six of Hearts Collective, King Edward School, Calgary AB
- 2013 *Ramble in the Bramble*, Edmonton Arts Council Transitory Art Commission, Whitemud Park Edmonton AB
- 2013 *Intimate Immensity*, Gladstone Gallery, Toronto ON (Curated by Laura Causton-Warren)
- 2013 *Steam*, Scott Gallery, Edmonton AB
- 2012 *Capricious!* Londonderry Mall, Edmonton AB (Curated by Miranda Sayer)
- 2012 *Unstable Natures*, Latitude 53, Edmonton AB (Curated by the University of Alberta Graduate Fine Art Student Association)
- 2011 *Innovation: Technics of a Mind Body Performance*, The Little Gallery, University of Calgary AB
- 2009 *Some Adventures*, The Mansion Gallery, Langley BC
- 2009 *We Were Dreaming*, The Mansion Gallery, Langley BC
- 2008 *Shifting Boundaries: A Graphite Experience*, The CityScape Gallery, Vancouver BC

SCHOLARSHIPS, GRANTS & AWARDS

- 2020 Edmonton Artist Trust Fund Award, Edmonton Arts Council
- 2020 Creator's Reserve Grant, Edmonton Arts Council
- 2019 Arts Abroad – Travel Grant, Canada Council for the Arts
- 2019 Alberta Foundation for the Arts, Visual Arts and New Media Individual Project Grant
- 2019 Edmonton Arts Council, Community Art Program Grant (with the Trinity Youth Art Project/Edmonton Young Offender's Centre)
- 2017 Alberta Foundation for the Arts, Visual Arts and New Media Individual Project Grant
- 2017 Edmonton Arts Council Project Grant for Individual Artist
- 2017 Banff Centre Artist Program Award
- 2016 Alberta Foundation for the Arts, Visual Arts and New Media Individual Project Grant
- 2014 Edmonton Arts Council Project Grant for Individual Artists
- 2014 Edmonton Arts Council Microgrant
- 2013 Edmonton Arts Council CIP Travel Grant
- 2012 Graduate Research Scholarship, University of Alberta
- 2011 Government of Alberta Graduate Student Academic Scholarship
- 2011 Graduate Assistant Research Scholarship, University of Alberta
- 2010 Graduate Assistant Research Scholarship, University of Alberta
- 2009 Graduate Research Scholarship, University of Alberta

RESIDENCIES

- 2020 *Yorath House Artist Residency* - with Taryn Kneteman, Edmonton Arts Council/City of Edmonton, Edmonton AB
- 2019 *Summer Residency Program*, Mitchell Art Gallery, MacEwan University, Edmonton AB
- 2018 *PILOTENKUECHE International Artist Residency*, Leipzig, Germany
- 2017 *Emerging Artist Residency*, Banff Centre for Art and Creativity, Banff AB
- 2016 *Wood Buffalo Regional District Artist in Residence - Lead Artist*, Fort McMurray AB
- 2014 *Iceland Textile Centre*, Research Residency, Blönduós Iceland
- 2013 *Between Intimacy and Architecture*, Residency and Workshop with Victoria Stanton, Artscape Gibraltar Point, Toronto ON

WORKSHOPS AND ARTIST TALKS

- 2021 *In Conversation: Taryn Kneteman and Alma Louise Visscher with Taïessa Pagola*
Virtual Studio Visit, *Art From Here*, Edmonton AB.
- 2020 Public workshops for “Instruction manual for something that doesn’t work” with Taïessa Pagola, Mitchell Art Gallery, MacEwan University, Edmonton AB
- 2019 Guest Critic, *ART 120 – Introduction to Painting*, University of Alaska, Anchorage AK
- 2019 Public Workshops “Dream Tool Testing” and “Sinking into a Mattress” with Taryn Kneteman, Mitchell Art Gallery, MacEwan University, Edmonton AB
- 2016 *Fashion Studio Workshop*, iHuman Youth Society, Edmonton AB
- 2016 *Community Workshop Facilitator* (Saprae Creek, Fort Chipewyan, Fort McMurray), Municipality of Wood Buffalo AB
- 2016 *Workshop Facilitator*, University of Alberta, Faculty of Extension, Edmonton AB
- 2014 Artist Talk for *Cathedral Cumulus*, Art Gallery of Alberta, Edmonton AB
- 2012 *Guest Lecturer for Drawing 500, Painting 500*, University of Alberta, Edmonton AB

SELECTED PRESS AND CATALOGUES

- 2021 “Secret Growing” Alma Louise Visscher and Taryn Kneteman, *Art From Here*
<https://www.artfromhere.ca/artists/alma-louise-visscher-taryn-kneteman>
- 2020 Mitchell Art Gallery, *Artist Exchange Program*,
<https://sites.google.com/view/mag-exchange-program/artists-teams/taïessa-pagola-alma-visscher?authuser=0>
- 2020 Edmonton Arts Council, *Studio Residency Reflections*,
<https://yegarts.tumblr.com/post/636502393248497664/yorath-house-studio-residency-reflections-from?fbclid=IwAR29aQcmjJ5SHYFkqrkrFaR4k1SvtOKgySBtjXbY0sl4T1UqCEOjPrpZHFo>
- 2019 John Novotny, *Exploring the limits of feminist expression in ‘Abstract Answers’*, The Northern Light 28 October 2019
- 2015 Kristy Trinier, *Future Station: 2015 Alberta Biennial of Contemporary Art*, exhibition catalogue published by the Art Gallery of Alberta, Edmonton AB
- 2014 Kristy Trinier, *Cathedral Cumulus*, exhibition catalogue, published by the Art Gallery of Alberta, Edmonton AB
- 2014 Leah Sandals, *Alberta Biennial 2015 List Looks to Future*, Canadian Art Online, July 15
- 2014 Elizabeth Withey, *Selection of 42 artists in Art Gallery of Alberta*, Edmonton Journal, June 18, 2014
- 2014 *Akimbo Hit List*, <http://www.akimbo.ca/hitlist/?postdate=2014-07-03>
- 2014 *What to Do This Weekend* (August 8–10), Flare Magazine, August 8, 2014
- 2013 Agnieszka Matejko, *Vue Weekly, Ramble in the Bramble*, Issue 935, Edmonton, AB