K E N N Y N G U Y E N

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**SELECTED AWARDS, GRANTS, RESIDENCIES**

2020 *Judy Sigunick Fellowship* for Visual Artist in Residency, Ragdale Foundation, Lake Forest, IL

2020 Gilfélag Artist Residency, Akureyri, Iceland

2019 *The Denis Diderot [A-i-R] Grant,* Château d’Orquevaux, Orquevaux, France

2019 *Regional Artist Project Grant*, Charlotte Arts and Science Council, Charlotte, NC

2019 *Artist Residency*, ChaShaMa North, Pine Plains, NY

2019 *Artist Residency Fellowship,* Vermont Studio Center, Johnson, VT

2018 *Visual Artist Residency Fellowship*, Hambidge Center for Creative Art and Science, Rabun Gap, GA

2018 *Best Artist to Watch*. The Best of the Best Award, Charlotte Magazine, Charlotte, NC

2018 *Finalist,* Mural Commission at CLT Airport, Charlotte, NC

2018 *Merit-based Artist Residency Fellowship and Work-exchange Award,* Vermont Studio Center, Johnson, VT

2018 *Charlotte Artist Residency Grant*, The Ivey’s Hotel, Charlotte, NC

2017 *Finalist*, International Mural Painting Competition in Toride, Toride City, Ibaraki, Japan

2017 *Winner, Charlotte Visual Artist Grant*, HappeningsCLT Magazine, Charlotte, NC

2017 *Asia Contemporary Young Artist Excellence Award,* Sejong Museum of Art, Seoul, South Korea

2017 *Winner*, *Artpop Billboard*, Artpop Street Gallery, Charlotte, NC

**EDUCATION**

2015 *BFA in Painting*,Cum Laude, University of North Carolina at Charlotte, Charlotte, NC

2010 *BFA in Fashion Design*, National University of Art and Architecture Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES**

2021 *Guest Artist*, Utah Valley University, Orem, UT

2020 *Visiting Artist,* Washington & Jefferson College, Washington, PA

2020 *Visiting Artist,* Adams State University, Alamosa, CO

2020 *Artist Talk*, POV Artist Program, Ragdale Foundation, Lake Forest IL

2020 *Artist Lecture ‘Materials in Contemporary Art’*, Akureyri Art Museum, Akureyri, Iceland

2019 *Visiting Artist,* University of North Carolina at Charlotte, Charlotte, NC

2019 *Artist Lecture ’Silk: A metaphor of Identity’*, CLT Millennial Art Program, Elder Gallery for Contemporary Art, Charlotte NC

2019 *Artist’s talk ‘Stimulus: Creation in Threads’,* McColl Center for Art and Innovation,

Charlotte, NC

2019 *Juror* (Jury Panel), Hambidge Center, Visual Artist Residency Application, Rabun Gap, GA

2018 *Guest Lecturer*, University of North Carolina at Charlotte, Charlotte, NC

2018 *Instructor*, *Artist workshop for Golden Acrylic Paint*, Cheap Joe’s Art, Charlotte, NC

2016 *Instructor*, *Artist Workshop: Silk painting and Ink-wash painting*, Durham Art Council, Durham, NC

2015– Present, *Interdisciplinary Artist*, Charlotte, NC

2007-2010 *Assistant Fashion Designer*, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

**SOLO EXHIBITIONS**

2021 *Kenny Nguyen: Identity*, Sozo Gallery, Charlotte NC

2020 *Infinite Threads*, Olin Fine Art Gallery, Washington & Jefferson College, Washington, PA

2020 *Solo Exhibition*. Susan O. Ahern Gallery, Thelma Sadoff Center for the Arts,

Fond du Lac, WI *(Rescheduled, Covid-19)*

2020 *Mirror Mirror*, Fitton Center For Creative Arts, Hamilton, OH *(Rescheduled, Covid-19)*

2020 *Marks on the skin,* Deiglan Gilfelagio Gallery, Akureyri, Iceland

2020 *Reconstruction*, The Cloyde Snook Gallery, Adam State University, Alamosa, CO

2019 *Interwoven*, Sozo Gallery, Charlotte, NC

2018 *‘Kenny Nguyen: The Indescribable Fears’*, M Gallery, Czong Institute for Contemporary Art Museum, Gyeonggi-do, South Korea

2018 *‘Interbeing’*, Sozo Gallery, Charlotte, NC

2016 *Space of Otherness,* Allenton Gallery, Durham Art Councils, Durham, NC

**SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS**

2021 *Visual O*, Mash Gallery, Los Angeles, CA

2021 *Reconstructing Deconstruction,* Brooklyn Collective Gallery, Charlotte NC

2021 *Material Hard and Soft*, Greater Denton Arts Council, Denton TX

2020 *Displacement, Resilience and Transformation: Seven Artist of Vietnamese Diaspora*, Nguoi Viet Daily News Gallery, Westminster, CA *(Rescheduled, Covid-19)*

2020 *Summer Invitation Exhibition.* Swan Coach House Gallery, Forward Arts Foundation, Atlanta, GA

2020 *Prism*, Gallery C3, Charlotte, NC

2019 *Collective(in)action*, Memorial Union Gallery, North Dakota State University, Fargo, ND

2019 *Constant/Change: Statements from New Generation of North Carolina Artist*, Greenhill Center for North Carolina Art, Greensboro, NC

2019 *Strive: National exhibition highlighting American Immigration and the American Dream*, D’Art Center, Norfolk, VA

2019 *The Fridge Show*, Dinney House, Vermont Studio Center, VT. Curator: Annelies Kamen

2019 *Artfields*, Southeast Artist Competition, Lake City, SC

2019 *North Carolina Artist Exhibition,* Contemporary Art Museum Raleigh, Raleigh, NC

Juror: Chad Alligood

2018 *Suspend*, The Cloyde Snook Gallery, Adam State University, Alamosa, CO **(\*Best in Show)**

2018 *Peace & Justice*, DSU Center Gallery, Delaware State University, Dover, DE

2018 *Artfields*, Jones-Carter Gallery, Lake City, SC

2018 *Roderick MacKillop Memorial Alumni Art Exhibition,* Rowe Gallery, University of North Carolina at Charlotte, NC

2017 *Vietnamerica*, Art Exhibition, Documentary Film Screening and Panel Discussion at Capitol Hill, Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, D.C.

2017 *‘What makes Life an Art’*, *Gwanghwamun International Art Festival,* Sejong Museum of Art, Seoul, South Korea

2017 *12thAnnual Emerald Spring Painting Exhibition*, Emerald Art Center, Springfield, OR

2017 *45th International Art Exhibition*, Brownsville Museum of Fine Art, Brownsville, TX

2017 *Artpop Billboard,* Charlotte Art and Science Council, Artpop Street Gallery, Charlotte, NC

2017 *North Carolina Artist Exhibition*, Betty McCain Gallery, Raleigh, NC. Juror: Michael Rooks

2017 *Conroe Art League Invitational Exhibition*, Conroe Art League, Conroe, TX

2016 *Artist Statement, International Exhibition and Book Publication,* Czong Institute for Contemporary Art Museum.Gyeonggi-do, South Korea

2016 *CICA’2016 Artist and Location,* Czong Institute for Contemporary Art Museum, Gyeonggi-do, South Korea

2016 *Fearless*, Old Court House Arts Center, Woodstock, IL

**SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS (continued)**

2016 *Tallahassee International Exhibition,* Florida State University Museum of Fine Art, Tallahassee, FL

2016 *Asia Contemporary Young Artist Award Exhibition*, Sejong Museum of Art, Seoul, South Korea **(\*Excellence Award)**

2016 *North Carolina Artist Exhibition*, Betty McCain Gallery, Raleigh, NC **(\*Juror’s Choice Award)**

Juror: Bradley Sumrall

2016 *First LaGrange Southeast Regional Exhibition*, LaGrange Art Museum, LaGrange, GA.

Juror: Deanna Sirlin **(\*Juror Merit Award)**

2016 *NASAD Exhibition.* Student Union Gallery, University of North Carolina at Charlotte, Charlotte, NC

2015 *Generations: 40 Hues of Black and White*, Orange County Center for Contemporary Art, Santa Ana, CA

Curators: Dinh Q. Le, Stephen Anderson

2015 *Celebration of Chinese Opera*, Katzen Art Center at the American University, Washington, D.C.

2015 *2nd Annual Living Mark Exhibition*, Verum Ultimum Art Gallery, Portland, OR

2015 *Dollar Bank Three Rivers Arts Festival - Juried Visual Art Exhibition* Trust Arts Education Center, Pittsburgh, PA, Juror: Astria Suparak

2015 *MIS,* Rowe Gallery, University of North Carolina at Charlotte, Charlotte, NC

2015 *(In)Tangible,* Rowe Gallery, University of North Carolina at Charlotte, Charlotte, NC

2014 *Persuasion*, Rowe Gallery, University of North Carolina at Charlotte, Charlotte, NC

2014 *Direct and In-direct Juried Exhibition,* Rowe Gallery, UNC Charlotte, Charlotte, NC

Juror: Sara Schneckloth

**SELECTED BIBLIOGRAPHIES**

2021 Logan, Liz. *“The Silk Road - Kenny Nguyen’s art is an epic tale sculpted with silk”.*

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2020, pp. 24-27.

2019 Pressler, Alyssa. “Kenny Nguyen Speaks through His Arts.” *The Charlotte Observer*, 27 Jan. 2019, pp. 1,3C.

2019 Pressler, Alyssa, and Daremen J. “Artist Kenny Nguyen and ‘a Beautiful Way to Communicate'.” *The Charlotte Observer Online*, 23 Jan. https://www.charlotteobserver.com/latest-news/article224978845.html

2018 Local Stories. “Art & Life with Kenny Nguyen.” *VoyagePhoenix - Phoenix*, 27 Nov. 2018, voyagephoenix.com/interview/art-life-kenny-nguyen/.

2018 *Im, Seonyoung, and Seungsub Baik . “Kenny Nguyen, The Indescribable Fears.” CICA Art Now 2018, edited by Hyunjin Bang,* CICA Press, 2018, pp. 112–120.

2017 Cote, Grace, and Lia Newman. “‘Carolina Art Crush: Artist Kenny Nguyen’, Interview” *HappeningsCLT*, 5 May 2017. https://happeningsclt.com/2017/05/05/carolina-art-crush- kenny-nguyen/