

EDUCATION

- 2016 – 2017 MA, History and Theory of Art, with focus on Contemporary Art – University of Toronto, ON
 2010 – 2015 BFA, with specialization in Painting and Drawing – University of Ottawa, ON

SOLO EXHIBITIONS AND PROJECTS

- 2020 *Geosmin & Rosaphen* – Sea Foam Home, Toronto, ON (hosted by Ashley Culver)
 2019 *A certain state of exhaustion* – Trinity Square Video Vitrine, Toronto, ON (curated by Karina Iskandarsjah)
 2015 *Unknown Destinations* – Studio Sixty Six, Ottawa, ON

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2020 *Murmuration* – Open Studio, Toronto, ON
 2020 *Future Proof* – Open Studio, Toronto, ON (fundraiser)
 2020 *Pits, Seeds* – the plumb, Toronto, ON
 2019 *PUFF!* – Furniture Time, Big on Bloor Festival, with InterAccess, Toronto, ON
 2019 *SHOW.19* – Idea Exchange, Cambridge, ON (curated by Iga Janik)
 2019 *Le pARTy* – Ottawa Art Gallery, Ottawa, ON (fundraiser)
 2019 *Paper Trail: Environments* – Lonsdale Gallery, Toronto, ON (curated by Simone Rojas-Pick)
 2018 *Entanglement* – The Dragon Academy, Toronto, ON
 2017 *Spring Fever* – Lonsdale Gallery, Toronto, ON (curated by Simone Rojas-Pick)
 2016 *Le pARTy* – Ottawa Art Gallery, Ottawa, ON (fundraiser)
 2015 *Near, Far, and Somewhere In-Between* – Lonsdale Gallery, Toronto, ON (curated by Stanzie Tooth)
 2015 *Fresh Paint/New Construction* – Art Mûr, Montreal, QC
 2015 *XXV* – Visual Arts Department, University of Ottawa, ON
 2014 *Surfacing II* – Studio Sixty Six, Ottawa, ON
 2014 *Jacqueline Fry Award Exhibition* – Gallery 115, Ottawa, ON
 2014 *Paradigm[e] Yearly Exhibition* – Paradigm[e] Gallery, Ottawa, ON

RESIDENCIES

- 2022 Résidence C.R.É.E.R., Centre SAGAMIE, Alma, QC **upcoming**
 2020 Le Labo, Centre d'arts médiatiques francophone, Toronto, ON
 2019 Spark Box Studio, Picton, ON
 2018 The Roundtable Residency, Toronto, ON
 2016 Berlin Art Institute, Berlin, Germany
 2016 Artscape Gibraltar Point, Toronto, ON

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

- 2019 Emerging Artist Award, Spark Box Studio, Picton, ON
 2016 W. Bernard Herman Graduate Scholarship in Art History, University of Toronto, ON
 2015 Edmund and Isobel Ryan Visual Arts Scholarship (in painting), University of Ottawa, ON
 2014 – 2015 Gunter Nolte Commemorative Scholarship (in drawing), University of Ottawa, ON
 2014 Jaqueline Fry Award Finalist for Excellence in Visual Arts, University of Ottawa, ON
 2014 Michael Burgess Scholarship for Fine Arts, University of Ottawa, ON

PRESS AND WORKS FEATURED

- 2020 [QuaranTonics](#)
 2019 The Trinity Review vol. 131
 2019 The Six Hundred vol. 2 – Special Issue: Time
 2018 Acta Victoriana vol. 142.2
 2017 Hart House Review
 2016 Arc Poetry Magazine. Issue 79
 2015 [Canadian Art. Exhibitions](#)
 2015 [Canadian Art. Must Sees This Week](#)

COLLECTIONS

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CURATORIAL WORK

- 2022 *Contre vents et marées / Against All Odds*, featuring works by Alanis Rodriguez Beaudoin, Camille Tremblay Beaulieu, and Elyse Portal – La Galerie du Nouvel-Ontario, Sudbury, ON **upcoming**
- 2021 *You just hold your breath*, featuring works by Celia Perrin Sidarous, Laurence Pilon, Olivia Boudreau, Meech Boakye, IvanovStoeva, Alex Borkowski, Izzy Mink, and Julien Fisher – the plumb, Toronto, ON **upcoming**
- 2021 *Baskets Blighted*, vitrine exhibition featuring works by Kristi Chen – the J-Spot, Toronto, ON (co-facilitated with Jennifer Morton)
- 2020 – 2021 *Deep Water*, virtual screening featuring works by Yen-Chao Lin, Fraser McCallum, Erin Siddall, Miguel Angel Ríos, Julie René de Cotret, and Virginia Lee Montgomery – the plumb, Toronto, ON
- 2020 – 2021 *Cut from the same cloth*, solo exhibition of works by Nathan E. Carson – The Power Plant Contemporary Art Gallery, Toronto, ON
- 2019 *Greenhouse Effects*, screening event featuring works by Alana Bartol, Ursula Biemann (with Mo Diener), Mara Eagle, Tegan Moore, and Emily Moriarty – Gage Park Greenhouse, Art Spin Hamilton, ON

SELECTED WRITINGS

- 2021 Curatorial essay for *Nathan E. Carson: Cut from the same cloth* – Power Plant Pages
- 2021 Short reflection for exhibition catalogue *Shuvinaí Ashoona: Mapping Worlds* – co-published by The Power Plant Contemporary Art Gallery, Vancouver Art Gallery, and Hirmer Verlag
- 2020 *Funny Weather: Art in an Emergency* – Book Review for Prefix Photo, Issue 42
- 2019 *A Sensation Best Described by Another*, by Jean-Paul Kelly – Exhibition review for C Magazine, Issue 144
- 2019 *Migrating the Margins* (AGYU) – Book review for Prefix Photo, Issue 40
- 2019 *Virginia Lee Montgomery: Ponytails, Power Drills, and Political Action* – Femme Art Review, London, ON
- 2019 *The Work of Wind: Land* (Blackwood Gallery) – Book review for Prefix Photo, Issue 39
- 2019 *Makeshift privacy and pissing bodies: in conversation with HaeAhn Kwon* – Public Parking, Winnipeg, MB
- 2018 *Tacita Dean's Wanderlust* – Ecstatic Essays by Blank Cheque Press, Toronto, ON
- 2018 *Metabolization and Transference (or musings on colour)* – Cross Process Issue 2, Toronto, ON
- 2018 Exhibition essay for *Magpie Landscapes*, by Adrienne Scott – Karsh-Masson Gallery, Ottawa, ON
- 2018 Exhibition essay for *changing or taking away an object's function is the height of humor*, by Court Gee – Xpace Gallery, Toronto, ON
- 2018 Exhibition essay for *void loop()*, by Anna Eyler and Nicolas Lapointe – City Hall Art Gallery, Ottawa, ON
- 2018 Exhibition essay for works by Pudy Tong and Josh Brien – Open Studio, Toronto, ON
- 2017 *Poetic Prosthetics: Amalia Pica's 'ears to speak of'* – Graphite Publications, Montreal, QC

PUBLIC SPEAKING AND MODERATION

- 2020 In Conversation: Nathan E. Carson with Laura Demers – Art Toronto, ON
- 2018 UAAC Conference, Panel Speaker – University of Waterloo, ON
- 2018 Sunday Scene, Guest Speaker – The Power Plant Contemporary Art Gallery, Toronto, ON

OTHER EDUCATION

- 2021 Incubateur en commissariat (3e édition) – Association des groupes en arts visuels francophones (AGAVF), online **upcoming**
- 2021 Innovative Approaches to Curating – Node Centre for Curatorial Studies, Berlin, Germany
- 2020 Introduction to Independent Perfumery – Institute for Art + Olfaction, Los Angeles, USA
- 2019 Curating in Art, Science & Technology – Node Centre for Curatorial Studies, Berlin, Germany
- 2019 Flash Fiction, Prose Poetry and Palm-Sized Stories – University of Toronto, ON
- 2018 Reconciliation through Indigenous Education – University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC
- 2016 Creative Forms of Art Criticism and Writing – Node Centre for Curatorial Studies, Berlin, Germany

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2020 – [...] Communications, Development, and Programming Officer – La Galerie du Nouvel-Ontario, Sudbury, ON
- 2020 – [...] Collective Member and Co-Founder – the plumb, Toronto, ON
- 2019 – 2020 TD Curator of Education and Outreach Fellow – The Power Plant Contemporary Art Gallery, Toronto, ON
- 2018 – 2020 Board of Directors – La Galerie du Nouvel-Ontario, Sudbury, ON
- 2019 – 2020 Mentor – Student Links, Toronto, ON
- 2019 Teacher of *Parlons art* – L'Alliance française, Toronto, ON

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2017 – 2019	Gallery Attendant – The Power Plant Contemporary Art Gallery, Toronto, ON
2017 – 2019	Image Research Associate – Art Canada Institute, Toronto, ON
2017	Art Journal Editor – Graduate Department of Art History, University of Toronto, ON
2017	Pavilion Assistant – 57 th Venice Biennale, Venice, Italy
2016 – 2017	Visitor Services Officer – Art Gallery of Ontario, Toronto, ON
2014 – 2016	Visitor Services Officer – National Gallery of Canada, Ottawa, ON