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### **SOLO EXHIBITIONS**

**2026** *Lingering in Between*, Cohen Commons Gallery, Western University, London, Ontario

**2025** *Impression*, Farrie Gallery, Homer Watson House & Gallery, Kitchener, Ontario

**2025** *Tangible Experience*, Cambridge Centre for the Arts, Cambridge, Ontario

**2024** *Tangible Experience*, Rotunda Gallery, Kitchener, Ontario

### **GROUP EXHIBITION**

**2026** upcoming MFA group exhibition, ArtLab Gallery, Western University, London, Ontario

**2026** *Exophony*, Cohen Commons, Western University, London, Ontario

**2025** *Hiding in the Plain Sight/site*, Homer Watson House & Gallery, Kitchener, Ontario

**2025** *DRAFTS 6*, Mapping Diasporic Identities, Grebel Gallery, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Ontario,  
Exhibition Book : <https://artisticexploratorium.space/drafts-6-mapping-diasporic-identities/>

**2025** *Internal Voice*, Etobicoke Civic Centre Art Gallery, Toronto, Ontario

**2025** *Unbound*, Richmond Hill Centre for the Performing Arts, Richmond Hill, Ontario

**2024** *Negotiating Culture*, Martin Luther University College, Wilfred Laurier University, Waterloo, Ontario

**2024** *Globe Studios Fall 2024 Art Show*, Kitchener, Ontario

**2024** Juried Exhibition, *Negotiating Culture*, Grand River Artist Collective, Kitchener, Ontario

**2024** Annual Juried Show of Visual Arts, Art Gallery of Mississauga, Mississauga, Ontario

**2024** Waterloo Park Promenade Exhibition, Waterloo, Ontario

**2024** The Ontario Miniature Print Exhibition (*TOMPE2024*), London, Ontario

**2024** #63 Toronto Outdoor Art Fair, Toronto, Ontario, <https://toaf.ca/gallery/wen-li>

**2024** *Press 2024, Juried Printmaking Exhibition*, The Button Factory, Waterloo, Ontario

**2024** *Artist at Work*, Homer Watson House & Gallery, Kitchener, Ontario

**2024** *Member's Exhibition 2024*, The Button Factory, Waterloo, Ontario

**2023** *Collective Colours*, 2023 Annual Juried Show, Homer Watson House & Gallery, Kitchener, Ontario

**2023** *2023 Annual Show*, Grand River Artist Collective, Kitchener, Ontario

**2023** *Duality*, Annual Juried Exhibition, Button Factory Arts, Waterloo, Ontario

**2023** *Artist in Residence Exhibition*, Point Pelee National Park, Ontario

**2023** *Globe Studios Autumn 2023 Invitational Art Show & Open House*, Kitchener, Ontario

**2023** *Press: Juried Printmaking Exhibition*, The Button Factory, Waterloo, Ontario

**2023** *IDK, it lights up or something*, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Ontario

**2023** *Booked*, The Artery Gallery, Waterloo, Ontario

**2023** *Disembody*, Homer Watson House & Gallery, Kitchener, Ontario

**2022** *Art\$Pay Annual Show and Sale*, Kitchener, Ontario

**2022** *Previously On*, The Artery Gallery, Waterloo, Ontario

**2022** *Annual Juried Exhibition*, The Button Factory, Waterloo, Ontario

**2022** *epilogue*, The Artery gallery, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Ontario

<https://uwaterloo.ca/fine-arts/undergraduate/programs/honours-graduation-exhibition/epilogue-2022-fourth-year-exhibition/epilogue-wen-li>

**2021-22** *Ignition 10*, Hamilton Artist Inc. Hamilton, Ontario

<https://www.theinc.ca/exhibitions/ignition-10/>

**2017** *12pt*, The Artery gallery, Waterloo, Ontario

**2013** *Brush with Art*, University of Waterloo, Stratford, Ontario

## AWARDS AND GRANTS

**2026** Ontario Graduate Scholarship (in Name Only,) Western University, London, Ontario

**2026** Canada Graduate Research Scholarship-Master's (CGRS M), SSHRC, Western University, London, Ontario

**2026** Graduate Travel / Research Materials Grant, Western University, London, Ontario

**2025** Graduate Travel / Research Materials Grant, Western University, London, Ontario

**2025** FAH Chair's Entrance Scholarship, Western University, London, Ontario

**2024-2025** Exhibition Assistance Grant, Ontario Arts Council

**2024-2025** Emerging Artist Project Creation Grant, Ontario Arts Council

**2024** Emerging Artist Award, Arts Awards of Waterloo Region, Ontario

**2024** Third Place Award, Fourth Annual Juried Show of Visual Arts, Art Gallery of Mississauga, Mississauga, Ontario

**2024** Second and Third Place Award, *Press 2024, Juried Exhibition*, The Button Factory Arts, Waterloo, Ontario

**2023-2024** Exhibition Assistance Grant, Ontario Arts Council

**2023** First Place Award, *Annual Juried Exhibition: Duality*, Button Factory Arts, Waterloo, Ontario

**2023** Department Award Winner for Distinguished Academic Achievement in Fine Arts, Waterloo, Ontario

**2022** Best Digital Award, *Annual Juried Exhibition*, Button Factory Arts, Waterloo, Ontario

**2022** Curator's Choice Award, *epilogue*, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Ontario

**2022** Carol Hudgins Memorial Book Award, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Ontario

**2021** Hamilton Artist Inc.'s Award for Distinction, *Ignition 10*, Hamilton, Ontario

**2015** Dean's Honours List, Faculty of Art, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Ontario

**2015** Carol Hudgins Memorial Book Award, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Ontario

## OTHER PROFESIONAL ACTIVITIES

- 2026** Interview with Kul Tekst, February, 2026, Fine Arts Alumni of University of Waterloo, Zoom
- 2025** Presenter at UAAC-AAUC Conference 2025, York University, Toronto, Ontario
- 2025** Artist talk, Canadian Clay and Glass Gallery, Waterloo, Ontario
- 2025** Interview with Promenade Community Radio Magazine, Kitchener, Ontario  
<https://open.spotify.com/episode/6hxWtT53OO5CDvRCIXsnbJ?si=O8rNOvyBTR-kzWHkPgo2rA&t=609>
- 2025** Artist in Residence, Walking & Art: Discussions at the Wayside, Gibraltar Point Centre for the Arts, Toronto Island, Ontario
- 2025** Artist in Residence, Pat the dog, Uptown Waterloo BIA, Waterloo, Ontario,  
<https://femmefolksfest.ca/uptown-waterloo-bia-artists-in-residency/>
- 2024** Assistant Curator, Negotiating Culture, Grand River Artists Collective, Kitchener, Ontario
- 2024-2025** Board of director, CAFKA - Contemporary Art Forum Kitchener and Area, Kitchener, Ontario
- 2023** Critique Night, Grand River Artist Collective, Kitchener, Ontario
- 2023** Tony Onley Artists' Project, Wells, British Columbia
- 2023** Artist in Residence, Point Pelee National Park, Ontario
- 2022** Artist Talk, online at Hamilton Artist Inc, Ontario, Canada  
<https://www.youtube.com/live/hP2cMu6GFNo?si=a85jpAcBnCY9hdkj>

## EDUCATION

- 2026** Master of Fine Arts Candidate, Western University, London, Ontario, Canada
- 2022** Honours BA, Fine Art: Studio Practice, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Ontario, Canada
- 1994** Master of Electronic Engineering, China
- 1991** Bachelor of Electronic Engineering, China

## OTHER TECHNICAL SKILLS

- 2026** Hand Building Workshop by Christopher He, Waterloo Potters' Workshop, Waterloo, Ontario
- 2026** Kenkoku Workshop by Noriko Maeda, Waterloo, Ontario
- 2025** Silkscreen printing workshop by Jessica Woodward and Tricia Johnson, Western University, London, Ontario
- 2025** Text as Visual Expression in Islamic Calligraphy workshop by Soheila Esfahani, London Public Library, London, Ontario
- 2024** Pochoir workshop by Elizabeth Forrest, Waterloo, Ontario
- 2024** Stencil Silk Screen Print workshop by Judy Major Girardin, Waterloo, Ontario
- 2024** Watercolor Screen Print workshop by Judy Major Girardin, Waterloo, Ontario
- 2024** Post degree Studio course, Expanded Media, University of Waterloo, Ontario
- 2023** Cyanotype Toning workshop with Amber Lee Williams, University of Waterloo, Ontario
- 2023** Post degree visual Cultural course: Castles: Fact and fiction, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Ontario

**2023** Post degree studio Course: Tech and Art, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Ontario