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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

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2023 *Home/land*. Sugarlift Gallery. New York, NY  
2022 *Intertwined*. Susan O. Ahern Gallery, Thelma Sadoff Center for the Arts, Fond du Lac, WI 2022  
*Mirrors and Veils*, Fitton Center For Creative Arts, Hamilton, OH  
2021 *Kenny Nguyen: Identity*, Sozo Gallery, Charlotte NC  
2020 *Infinite Threads*, Olin Fine Art Gallery, Washington & Jefferson College, Washington, PA  
2020 *Marks on the skin*, Deiglan Gilfelagio Gallery, Akureyri, Iceland (*Rescheduled, Covid-19*) 2020  
*Reconstruction*, The Cloyde Snook Gallery, Adam State University, Alamosa, CO 2019  
*Interwoven*, Solo Exhibition, Sozo Gallery, Charlotte, NC  
2018 *'Kenny Nguyen: The Indescribable Fears'*, M Gallery, Czong Institute for Contemporary Art  
Museum, Gyeonggi-do, South Korea  
2018 *'Interbeing'*, Solo Exhibition, Sozo Gallery, Charlotte, NC  
2016 *Space of Otherness*, Solo Exhibition at Allenton Gallery, Durham Art Councils, Durham, NC

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2023 *NordArt*, Büdelsdorf, Germany (Upcoming)  
2023 *Contemporary Cartographies : Mapping Identity*, Museum of Contemporary Art at Jacksonville,  
FL  
2022 *À Gogo II*, Mash Gallery & W Hollywood, Los Angeles, CA  
2022 *Adorned: Inspired by Fabric and Fashion*, Annmarie Sculpture Garden and Art Centers,  
Solomons, MD  
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  
2021 ArtPop Charlotte Class 2021, ArtPop Street Gallery National Juried Exhibition, Charlotte, NC  
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 *12th Annual 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
- 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 Ultimatum 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 AWARDS, GRANTS, RESIDENCIES

- 2022 Gilfalag Artist Residency/Solo Exhibition, Gil Society and Akureyri Art Museum, Akureyri, Iceland
- 2021 *Featured Artist, Artpop Billboard*, Artpop Street Gallery, Charlotte, NC
- 2020 *Judy Sigunick Fellowship*, Ragdale Foundation, Lake Forest, IL
- 2020 Gilfalag Artist Residency/Solo Exhibition, Gil Society and Akureyri Art Museum, Akureyri, Iceland
- 2019 *Regional Artist Project Grant*, Charlotte Arts and Science Council, Charlotte, NC
- 2019 *Artist Residency Fellowship*, Vermont Studio Center, Johnson, VT
- 2019 *The Denis Diderot [A-i-R] Grant*, Château d'Orquevaux, Orquevaux, France
- 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

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

- 2015–Present *Interdisciplinary Artist*, Charlotte, NC
- 2021 *Guest Artist*, Utah Valley University, Orem, UT
- 2020 *Visiting Artist*, Washington & Jefferson College, Washington, PA
- 2020 *Online Artist Talk*, POV Artist Program, Ragdale Foundation, Lake Forest IL
- 2020 *Artist Lecture 'Materials in Contemporary Art'*, Akureyri Art Museum, Akureyri, Iceland
- 2020 *Visiting Artist*, Adams State University, Alamosa, CO
- 2019 *Visiting Artist*, University of North Carolina at Charlotte, Charlotte, NC
- 2019 *Artist's talk 'Stimulus: Creation in Threads'*, McColl Center for Art and Innovation, Charlotte, NC
- 2019 *Artist lecture 'Silk: A metaphor of Identity'*, CLT Millennial Art Program, Elder Gallery for Contemporary Art, Charlotte NC
- 2019 *Visiting artist*, University of North Carolina at Charlotte, 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
- 2016-2019 *Instructor, Artist Workshop: Silk painting and Ink-wash painting*, Durham Art Council, Durham, NC
- 2007-2010 *Assistant Fashion Designer*, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

## SELECTED BIBLIOGRAPHIES

- 2021 Logan, Liz. "The Silk Road - Kenny Nguyen's art is an epic tale sculpted with silk". *Queen City Nerves*, 7 Sep. 2021, pp 8-9.
- 2020 Truc, Doan. "Kenny Nguyen – Dreams of a butterfly." *Elle Decoration Vietnam*, 16 May. 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/](http://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/>