

Bio

Born and raised in Tkaronto (Toronto), Phuong Nguyen is a Tkaronto-based visual artist working in representational oil painting and experimental weaving. Nguyen uses these mediums to explore themes of Ornamentalism and the relationship between exoticism and violence by referencing the aesthetics and the history of Chinoiserie and South East Asian/Vietnamese femininity. Nguyen holds a BFA from OCAD University (2014).

Curriculum Vitae

Grants + Awards

2024, CIBC C2 Art Program 2024 finalist

2023, Toronto Arts Council, Visual Artists Program: Creation

2023, Canada Council for the Arts, Explore and Create: Professional Development for Artists

2023, Ontario Arts Council, Visual Artist Creation Grant

2022, Toronto Arts Council, Visual Artists Program: Creation

Education

2014 Bachelor of Fine Art at OCAD U

Solo Exhibitions

2023 "The Wind Returns To The Soil" TAP Artspace, Montreal Canada

2015 "PASSIVE/AGGRESSIVE" Gallery 1313

Selected Group Exhibitions

2024 "Early Bird Gets the Worm" Aurora Cultural Centre, Aurora Canada

2023 "Cruel to be Kind" Pictura @ Stewart Hall Art Gallery, Montreal Canada

2023 TAP Artspace @ Art Toronto

2023 "Arrival", Duran Mashaal Gallery, Montreal Canada

2023 TAP Artspace @ Foire Plural, Montreal Canada

2022 "Stat. Sig.", TAP Artspace, Montreal Canada

2022 "Fibreworks 2022", Art Galleries of Cambridge, Cambridge Canada

2022 Erring at King George, Public Energy, Peterborough ON

2022 "Luminous Bodies", Curated by TAP Artspace at Cache Studio and Gallery, Montreal Canada

2020 "Quarantine Qapsule", Myseum of Toronto and Tea Base, online.

2020 "Alumni Coronavirus-inspired Exhibition", Instudio at OCADU, online.

2019 "Chill Life: Contemporary Still Life" the White House, Toronto Canada

2019 "Building Power: A Benefit for VOCAL-NY and the Young Center for Immigrant Children's Rights", Planthouse Gallery, New York USA

2018 "Ideation" Susquehanna Art Museum, Harrisburg USA

2017 "Phuong Nguyen" My Mother's Basement Gallery. Online

2016 "OH SO T.O." YTB Gallery @ Katzman Contemporary, Toronto Canada

2016 "Impossible Possession" Gladstone Hotel, Toronto Canada
2016 "In the Study of Figure" Red Gate Arts Society, Vancouver Canada
2016 "Where Are You Really From?" Daniel Spectrum, Toronto Canada
2015 "THOUGHTBAGS (Or, Every Image is a Gushing Sack of Ideas)" Younger Than Beyonce Gallery, Toronto Canada
2015 "I DO NOT KNOW WHERE THIS BELONGS" Project Gallery (now Patel Brown Gallery), Toronto Canada
2015 "Cognitive Release" Yellow House Gallery, Toronto Canada
2015 "OKAY Collective" My Mother's Basement Gallery, Online.
2014 "Experiencing Perspectives 2014-2015 Art Exhibition", Mercedes-Benz Financial Services, Mississauga Canada
2014 "The Immaculate Selfie" The Black Cat & Project Gallery (now Patel Brown Gallery), Toronto Canada
2014 "Progression", Scarborough Civic Centre. Toronto Canada
2014 "Hazelton Lanes Arts Festival" juried exhibition. Toronto Canada
2014 "GradEx" OCAD University's Graduate Exhibition. Toronto Canada

Auctions

2024 "Art with Heart", Fundraising Auction for Casey House, Toronto Canada
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2022 "Art Gems Auction" Fundraising Auction for Creative Works Studio, Toronto Canada
2019 "Building Power: A Benefit for VOCAL-NY and the Young Center for Immigrant Children's Rights", Planthouse Gallery, New York USA
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2016 "Teddy Bear Affair Charity Auction" for the Children's Aid Foundation, Toronto Metro Convention Centre, Toronto Canada
2016 "OH SO T.O." YTB Gallery @ Katzman Contemporary, Toronto Canada
2015 "VIP YTB Gala" YTB Gallery

Residencies

2024 Gladstone House Toronto, Canada.
2013 Gibraltar Point, Artscape Toronto Island, Toronto, Canada.

Selected Bibliography

2021 "It Didn't Have To Be This Way" Chatelaine Magazine, January 2021 issue.
2020 "Envisage" The Canadian Art Therapy Association Magazine Vol. 3 Issue 2.
2020 "Hastings & Pain': Artist shares striking paintings of Vancouver's Downtown Eastside"
2017 "Spring 2017" the Maynard
2014 "Experiencing Perspectives 2014-2015 Art Exhibition" Mercedes-Benz Financial Services
2014 ARTORONTO "The Immaculate Selfie at the Black Cat Gallery"