

# KENNY NGUYEN

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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

## SELECTED AWARDS, GRANTS, RESIDENCIES

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

## SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 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

- 2019 *Constant/Change: Statements from New Generation of North Carolina Artist*, Greenhill Center for North Carolina Art, Greensboro, NC
- 2019 *Artfields*, Southeast Artist Competition, Lake City, SC
- 2019 *North Carolina Artist Exhibition*, Contemporary Art Museum Raleigh, Raleigh, NC  
Juror: Chad Allgood
- 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 *12<sup>th</sup> Annual Emerald Spring Painting Exhibition*, Emerald Art Center, Springfield, OR
- 2017 *45<sup>th</sup> 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 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

- 2019 Pressler, Alyssa. "Kenny Nguyen Speaks through His Arts." *The Charlotte Observer*, 27 Jan. 2019, pp. 1,3C.
- 2019 Pressler, Alyssa, and Daren 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/>