

## Artist Résumé & CV

### Professional Experience

2023 - present      visiting lecturer  
Seattle Film Institute, Seattle, WA

2022 - present      visiting lecturer  
Seattle University, Seattle, WA

2022 - 2023          Gallery Director & Chief Curator  
Kirkland Arts Center, Kirkland, WA

2022                  visiting lecturer  
University of Washington, Seattle, WA

2021 - 2022          Operations Manager  
Kirkland Arts Center, Kirkland, WA

2019 - 2022          art instructor for Kirkland Arts Center,  
Kirkland, WA

2019 - 2022          art history lecturer for SCC Continued Education,  
Seattle Central College, Seattle, WA

2017 - present      art history lecturer/art instructor for OSHER,  
University of Washington, Seattle, WA

2016 - 2020          art history lecturer/art instructor for TELOS,  
Bellevue College, Bellevue, WA

2014 - 2015          Grants Project assistant  
Artist Trust, Seattle, WA

2012                  American Art intern  
de Young Museum, San Francisco, CA

2011 - 2012          gallery attendant/curatorial assistant  
Triton Museum of Art, Santa Clara, CA

2007 - 2012          barista/shift supervisor  
Starbucks Coffee Company, San Jose, CA

### Education

2019                  MA (art history)  
University of Washington, Seattle, WA

2015                  BFA (painting + drawing)  
University of Washington, Seattle, WA

2012                  San Jose State University, San Jose, CA

2011                  Mission College, Santa Clara, CA

1996                  Gimnazija Moste, Ljubljana, Slovenia

## **Solo Exhibitions**

- 2024 *PENTIMENTO*, Shift Gallery, Seattle, WA  
2024 *SLVN MCHN*, Triton Museum of Art, Santa Clara, CA  
2024 *The Punctum Void: a retrospective*, Triton Museum of Art, Santa Clara, CA  
2022 *AMENDS* (retrospective), Jacob Lawrence Gallery, Seattle, WA  
2022 *Formal Life of Color*, Kirkland Library, Kirkland, WA  
2021 *Formal Life of Color*, Shift Gallery, Seattle, WA  
2020 *Everywhere at Once*, Shift Gallery, Seattle, WA  
2019 *Flip Side*,  
Russell Day Gallery, Everett, WA  
2019 *EKPHRASIS of BECOMING*, Art Building, University of Washington, Seattle, WA  
2018 *Small Portrait on Paper*, KEXP, Seattle, WA  
2016 *Mythopoesis Plastique*, Saetia, Edmonds, WA  
2015 *SEEatle: Tracing Town*, A Gallery, Seattle WA  
2013 *Trojan Soul*, Vargas Gallery, Santa Clara, CA

## **Group Exhibitions (selected)**

- 2024 *Shift at 20 (Anniversary Show) group exhibit*  
Shift Gallery, Seattle, WA  
2023 *PARALLEL PRACTICES (Shift & Waterstone) group exhibit*  
Shift Gallery, Seattle, WA  
2023 *SEATTLE / PDX / SHIFT group exhibit*  
Waterstone Gallery, Portland, OR  
2022 *SHIFTING GEARS group exhibit*  
Shift Gallery, Seattle, WA  
2021 *FABULOUS group exhibit*  
Shift Gallery, Seattle, WA  
2021 *It Must be Here Somewhere*  
Shift Gallery, Seattle, WA  
2020 *BOUNCE group exhibit*  
Shift Gallery, Seattle, WA  
2020 *Visual Impressions - 4th Biennial Juried Show*  
Ryan James FA Gallery, Kirkland, WA  
2020 *SEATTLE DECONSTRUCTED ART FAIR*  
Shift Gallery, Seattle, WA  
2020 *Threshold (juried)*  
Kirkland Arts Center Gallery, Kirkland, WA  
2019 *Homecoming: Art by Mission College Alumni*,

Vargas Gallery, Santa Clara, CA

2019 \* *19th Annual Olympia Comics Festival* (juried),  
Olympia Center, Olympia, WA

2019 *The Affordable Art Fair* (juried),  
Metropolitan Pavilion, New York, NY

2018 \* *18th Annual Olympia Comics Festival* (juried),  
Olympia Center, Olympia, WA

2018 *Artist Trust 2018 Benefit Art Auction* (juried),  
Fisher Pavilion, Seattle, WA

2017 \* *7th Annual Short Run Comix & Arts Festival* (juried),  
Fisher Pavilion, Seattle, WA

2017 *Unity at the Bemis* (juried),  
The Bemis Building, Seattle, WA

2017 *Artist Trust 2017 Benefit Art Auction* (juried),  
Fisher Pavilion, Seattle, WA

2017 *Seattle University's Search for Meaning - Art Exhibit* (juried),  
Vachon Gallery, Seattle, WA

2016 \* *6th Annual Short Run Comix & Arts Festival* (juried),  
Fisher Pavilion, Seattle, WA

2016 *Seattle Fashion Week: The Convergence Experience* (juried),  
King Street Station, Seattle, WA

2016 *Love Circus - An Art Show Experience*,  
The Summit on Pike, Seattle, WA

2016 \* *Short Run Zine & Print Fair at Graphic Masters* (juried),  
Seattle Art Museum, Seattle, WA

2016 *Visions of Savonarola*, Apex Aerial Arts, Seattle, WA (Two-  
Person Exhibition)

2015 *18th Annual Undergraduate Research Symposium: Arts &  
Design Showcase* (juried),  
Odegaard Library, Seattle, WA (catalogue)

2015 *UW Painting + Drawing BFA/BA Exhibit*,  
Sand Point Gallery, Seattle, WA

2015 *UW Painting + Drawing BFA Show*,  
Jacob Lawrence Gallery, Seattle, WA  
(curated by Scott Lawrimore) (catalogue)

2015 *UW Painting + Drawing Studio Open House & Exhibition*  
(faculty selection), Sand Point Gallery, Seattle, WA

2014 UW School of Art *OPEN Show* (juried),  
Jacob Lawrence Gallery, Seattle, WA

- 2013 *Vanitas*,  
Kaleid Gallery, San Jose, CA
- 2012 *Exquisite Corpse*,  
Kaleid Gallery, San Jose, CA
- 2012 *Matter!*, 16th Annual New Generation Showcase (juried),  
de Young Museum, San Francisco, CA (catalogue)
- 2011 *Best of the Best*, 1st Annual Celebration (juried),  
Triton Museum of Art, Santa Clara, CA

\* *It's Gud Comix* publication

### **Collaborative Projects**

- 2023 *En Titled*, Shift Gallery, Seattle, WA  
(collaboration with Dana Blume)
- 2022 *Warming Up the House*, Olympic Sculpture Park, Seattle, WA  
(collaboration Hustle & Soul Collective, Puget Sound Residency,  
and City of Light Gallery in association with the Seattle Art  
Museum)
- 2022 *It Could be Said*, Shift Gallery, Seattle, WA  
(collaboration with Elizabeth N. Copland)
- 2021 *Lost and Found*  
Shift Gallery, Seattle, WA  
(collaborative project with William Marsh, David Traylor, Karey  
Kessler, Anna Macrae and The Vanity Host)
- 2021 *Gallery View*  
Shift Gallery, Seattle, WA  
(collaboration with Sylvia Kurin)
- 2019 *EKPHRASIS of BECOMING*, University of Washington,  
Seattle, WA  
(collaborative project with Kolya Rice, Catharina Manchanda,  
Rebekah TenBroek Hansen, Caeon Couto, William J. Blake  
and Mackenzie Clemente)
- 2018 *Short Talks: Art and Small Portrait on Paper*, KEXP, Seattle,  
WA  
(event included guest speakers: Priya Frank, Randy Ford,  
Martín Sepulveda and Jaebadiah S. Gardner, and organized  
by the University of Washington Alumni Association)
- 2017 *Sound, Light, & Movement*, Lovacitylove, Seattle, WA  
(collaboration with Rahikka - Carson Blair Rennekamp, and

movement performances by Sarah Hogland, Randy Ford and Adera L. Gandy)

### **Grants/Awards**

2022 Washington State Arts Commission curator  
2020 Nominee for the 2020 Mayor's Arts Awards  
2019 Husky 100 award  
2015 Student speaker at the graduation ceremony for the School of Art + Art History + Design  
2013 Kathryn Hinckley-Martin Scholarship in Art

### **Lectures/Presentations**

2024 *Cultivating Creativity: How to Foster a Resilient Art Community*, guest speaker, Seattle Art Fair, Seattle, WA  
2021 *The First 90: History of the Portrait with Miha Sarani*, guest speaker, The Whole U, University of Washington, Seattle, WA  
2021 *Next in Art*, guest speaker, Woodinville Arts Alliance, Woodinville, WA  
2021 *Unveiling the Artist - Leonardo da Vinci*, guest speaker, Temple De Hirsch Sinai, Seattle, WA  
2020 *Successful Creative Careers Revealed!*, guest speaker, Woodinville Arts Alliance, Woodinville, WA  
2020 "Everywhere at Once" artist talk, Shift Gallery, Seattle WA  
2019 *The Artwork of Miha Sarani*, guest speaker, Temple De Hirsch Sinai, Seattle, WA  
2019 *The Artwork of Miha Sarani*, guest speaker, Bellevue College North Campus, Bellevue, WA  
2019 *Chagall: Supernaturally in 4 parts*, guest speaker, Temple De Hirsch Sinai, Seattle, WA  
2019 *Guest at Docent Meeting*, speaker, Bellevue Arts Museum, Bellevue, WA  
2017 *Seattle Arts Commission*, presenter, Seattle City Hall, Seattle, WA  
2017 *Art & Social Justice Tour*, presenter, Seattle Art Museum, Seattle, WA  
2016 *My Favorite Things Tour*, presenter, Seattle Art Museum, Seattle, WA  
2016 *Naramore Art Show 2016*, juror, Seattle Art Museum, Seattle, WA

2014 *Mad Campus* by MadArt, docent, University of Washington, Seattle, WA

### **Curatorial Projects**

2024 *PENTIMENTO*, Shift Gallery, Seattle, WA  
2023 *En Titled*, Shift Gallery, Seattle, WA  
(collaboration with Dana Blume)  
2023 *The Last Time - Summer Salon 2023*, Kirkland Arts Center Gallery, Kirkland, WA  
(with Danielle Librera)  
2023 *Hard Thinker*, Kirkland Arts Center Gallery, Kirkland, WA  
(with Ellen McGivern)  
2023 *phantom burned*, Kirkland Arts Center Gallery, Kirkland, WA  
(with Ellen McGivern)  
2022 *AMENDS* (retrospective), Jacob Lawrence Gallery, Seattle, WA  
2022 *The Artist's Alchemy: Transforming the Found*, Kirkland Arts Center Gallery, Kirkland, WA (with Ellen McGivern)  
2022 *It Could be Said*, Shift Gallery, Seattle, WA  
(collaboration with Elizabeth N. Copland)  
2020 *Everywhere at Once*, Shift Gallery, Seattle, WA  
2015 *SEEAtle: Tracing Town*, A Gallery, Seattle, WA  
2012 *stARTbucks - When Passions Collide II*, San Jose, CA  
2012 *stARTbucks - When Passions Collide*, San Jose, CA

### **Print Media**

2022 Jesse Rhodes, *PEAK Grantmaking Journal*, issue 19  
2021 Calma/Judd, *Bricolage Literary & Visual Arts Journal*, issue 39  
2020 Mickee Cheung, *Bricolage Literary & Visual Arts Journal*, issue 38  
2019 Sneha Mohidekar, *Bricolage Literary & Visual Arts Journal*, issue 37  
2018 Ashley Ferguson, *It's Gud Comix*, issue 3  
2018 Cameron Eldridge, *Bricolage Literary & Visual Arts Journal*, issue 36  
2017 Ashley Ferguson, *shadeLESS* (charity zine)  
2017 Ashley Ferguson, *It's Gud Comix*, issue 2  
2017 Jocelyn Beausire, *Bricolage Literary & Visual Arts Journal*, issue 35  
2016 Ashley Ferguson, *It's Gud Comix*, issue 1  
2016 Erika Mann, *Bricolage Literary & Visual Arts Journal*, issue 34  
2015 Oliver Smith-Denny, *Periodical*, Vol.1

- 2015 Stephanie King, *Bricolage Literary & Visual Arts Journal*, issue 33
- 2014 Sara Patton, *Bricolage Literary & Visual Arts Journal*, issue 32

### **Online Media**

- 2023....."Meet Miha Sarani," *CANVAS REBEL*, July 10, 2023.  
<https://canvasrebel.com/meet-miha-sarani/>
- 2023.....Elaine Velie "Is Your Organization Adequately Paying Artists?"  
*HYPERALLERGOC*, June 7, 2023.  
<https://hyperallergic.com/825784/is-your-organization-adequately-paying-artists-wage/>
- 2022.....Evelyn Archibald "Miha Sarani reflects on the past and welcomes the future in 'Amends'," *The Daily*, Nov 21, 2022.  
[https://www.dailyuw.com/arts\\_and\\_culture/miha-sarani-reflects-on-the-past-and-welcomes-the-future-in-amends/article\\_edd1c47e-6945-11ed-b32e-a33e99ac9ba2.html](https://www.dailyuw.com/arts_and_culture/miha-sarani-reflects-on-the-past-and-welcomes-the-future-in-amends/article_edd1c47e-6945-11ed-b32e-a33e99ac9ba2.html)
- 2020.....Amanda Manitch "Miha Sarani," *Sketchbook Porn Blog*, April 21, 2020.  
<https://sketchbookporn.com/2020/04/21/miha-sarani/>
- 2020.....Peggy Murphy, "Enigmatic," *Shift Gallery Blog*, Jan 2020.  
<https://shiftgallery.org/2020/01/11/enigmatic-miha-sarani-through-february-1-2020/>
- 2019.....Ashlie Beach, "INTERVIEW," *Kirkland Arts Center Catalog*, Aug 22, 2019.  
[https://issuu.com/kirklandartscenter/docs/kac\\_catalog\\_fall\\_2019\\_no\\_bleed\\_or\\_markup/6](https://issuu.com/kirklandartscenter/docs/kac_catalog_fall_2019_no_bleed_or_markup/6)
- 2019.....Katja Nakrst, "Sarani iz ZDA: Po vseh teh letih sem tujec v tujini in doma," *SIOL.NET*, Feb 3, 2019. 20:02 pm.  
<https://siol.net/novice/slovinci-v-tujini/sarani-iz-zda-po-vseh-teh-letih-sem-tujec-v-tujini-in-doma-489484>
- 2018.....Bryan Nakata, "Whitewashing: Seattle artist calls attention to censored history in series on WWII war crimes,"  
*Seattle PI*, Nov 20, 2018. 15:43 pm.  
<https://www.seattlepi.com/seattlenews/article/Whitewashing-Seattle-artist-WWII-crimes-13410087.php>

- 2018.....Quinn Russell Brown, "**Meet the artist: Painter Miha Sarani,**" *Columns* (blog), Jun 5, 2018. 15:10 pm.  
<https://magazine.washington.edu/feature/meet-the-artist-miha-sarani/#>
- 2017.....Amber Cortes, "**Using Pieces from a Vandalized Painting Last Year, Artist and UW Grad Makes Something New,**" *The Stranger* (blog), Nov 9, 2017. 12:30 pm.  
<https://www.thestranger.com/slog/2017/11/09/25555664/using-pieces-from-a-vandalized-painting-last-year-artist-and-uw-grad-makes-something-new>
- 2016.....Ana Sofia Knauf, "**UW Grad's Confrontational Painting of Black Musician is Defaced on Campus,**" *The Stranger* (blog), Dec 20, 2016. 10:35 am.  
[www.thestranger.com/slog/2016/12/20/24731748/uw-grads-confrontational-painting-of-black-musician-is-defaced-on-campus](http://www.thestranger.com/slog/2016/12/20/24731748/uw-grads-confrontational-painting-of-black-musician-is-defaced-on-campus)
- 2016.....Jenelle Birnbaum, "**Making art out of rejection: Miha Sarani paints his heroes,**" Undergraduate Academic Affairs: Feature Stories  
[www.washington.edu/uaa/news/feature-stories/miha-sarani-paints-his-heroes/](http://www.washington.edu/uaa/news/feature-stories/miha-sarani-paints-his-heroes/)
- 2013.....Melissa McKenzie, "**Sarani Combines Music, Visual Art in New Show,**" *The Santa Clara Weekly*, October 2013.  
[https://www.santaclaraweekly.com/2013/Issue-41/sarani\\_combines\\_music\\_visual\\_art\\_in\\_new\\_show.html](https://www.santaclaraweekly.com/2013/Issue-41/sarani_combines_music_visual_art_in_new_show.html)
- Video**
- 2022.....Bryan Callanta, "**Art Matters Conversation (in Five Acts)**"  
<https://youtu.be/ePhFKq0hCk0>
- 2021.....Aaron Bourget, "**Miha Sarani - Formal Life of Color at Shift Gallery**"  
<https://youtu.be/i2sLULq4bCU>
- 2020.....The Design Network, "**Commissioned: What's Old is New Again**"  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?time\\_continue=4&v=p1\\_ejwc57UI&feature=emb\\_logo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=4&v=p1_ejwc57UI&feature=emb_logo)
- 2018.....Seattle PI, "**Whitewashing: Seattle artist calls attention to censored history in series on WWII war crimes**"

<https://www.seattlepi.com/seattlenews/article/Whitewashing-Seattle-artist-WWII-crimes-13410087.php>

2018.....KING 5, "**Seattle artist uses coffee and wine to capture unforgettable faces**" *YouTube*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aWenO1wBZGE>

2017.....University of Washington, "**Torn from the lips: Concentric paintings**" *YouTube*

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Yc1\\_NV3rEug&feature=youtu.be](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Yc1_NV3rEug&feature=youtu.be)

2016.....Bryan Nakata, "**Making art out of rejection: Miha Sarani paints his heroes**" *YouTube*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N0PEGfGdKpg>

2015.....Emiko Peterson-Yoon, "**Let's Talk Art: Artist Interview - Miha Sarani**" *YouTube*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fLg5K1LbZ-k>

### **Cover artwork**

- 2024 Miha Sarani, *SLVN MCHN - An Exhibit Soundtrack*, album design
- 2019 Chel Strong, *She Ready*, single cover
- 2018 Chel Strong, *Fondue*, single cover
- 2018 Chel Strong, *Cano*, single cover
- 2018 Chel Strong, *Almost Lost Detroit*, single cover
- 2017 Chel Strong, *The Beta*, single cover
- 2016 Chel Strong, *30 Thousand Above*, single cover
- 2016 Chel Strong, *Forever Starts Tomorrow*, album cover
- 2016 Chel Strong, *Mink Baby*, single cover

### **Miscellaneous**

2020.....original portrait for *University of Washington Magazine*, University of Washington, Seattle, WA

<https://magazine.washington.edu/feature/juliet-sperling-american-art-history/?fbclid=IwAR3IcgAndmiKLOfaYIa3t7GJ0cQZnmXeNmtUB-Nka8mEFE55d6a4zyvNq1c#>

2020.....original Kirkland Arts Center mural in support of Black Lives Matter, Kirkland, WA

2020.....featured on NASH Northwest Arts Streaming Hub, Seattle, WA

<https://nwartstream.org/miha-sarani>

2020.....original drawing of MLK used for week-long celebration and Art & Social Justice Tour promotion on Seattle Art Museum website, Seattle, WA

<http://seattleartmuseum.org/visit/calendar/events?EventId=69447>

2019.....original drawing of MLK used for celebration of MLK Day on Hyde Park Art Center, Chicago, Il

[https://www.hydeparkart.org/event/mlk-celebration-day/?fbclid=IwAR18Vx2Q\\_NvSJakgb\\_09pnTMgXpkavIVyGBKA4GmmT3zagtWHIM8H6hzNXg](https://www.hydeparkart.org/event/mlk-celebration-day/?fbclid=IwAR18Vx2Q_NvSJakgb_09pnTMgXpkavIVyGBKA4GmmT3zagtWHIM8H6hzNXg)

2019.....original drawing of MLK used for week-long celebration and Art & Social Justice Tour promotion on Seattle Art Museum website, Seattle, WA

<http://seattleartmuseum.org/visit/calendar/events?EventId=64952>

2018.....original cover artwork for *Columns Magazine*, University of Washington, Seattle, WA

<https://magazine.washington.edu/feature/meet-the-artist-miha-sarani/>

2018.....original poster artwork for *Art Talks*, University of Washington, Seattle, WA

2018.....original drawing of MLK used for celebration of MLK Day on Hyde Park Art Center, Chicago, Il

[https://twitter.com/HPAC\\_chicago/status/951588347931168774](https://twitter.com/HPAC_chicago/status/951588347931168774)

2018.....original drawing of MLK used for week-long celebration and Art & Social Justice Tour promotion on Seattle Art Museum website, Seattle, WA

<http://seattleartmuseum.org/visit/calendar/events?EventId=59211>

2012.....original invitation artwork and design for *Let's Catch a Wave at the Triton*, Triton Museum of Art, Santa Clara, CA