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Education:

Nova Scotia College of Art + Design, Halifax NS 2013-2015 MFA
Emily Carr University of Art + Design, Vancouver BC 2008-2011 BFA
École Nationale des Beaux-Arts, Arts Plastiques, Lyon France 2010
University of Victoria, Fine Arts Department, Victoria BC 2006-2008

Selected Exhibitions:

- 2024:** (Upcoming) *Fire Season* (curator and exhibitor) Legacy Art Gallery, Victoria BC
- 2023:** *Co-Dreaming* Duplex Artist Society, Vancouver BC
- 2022:** *Jelena and the Magic Flute* CSA Space, Vancouver BC
Fire Season (curator and exhibitor) Emily Carr University, Vancouver BC
Fire Season (curator and exhibitor) Island Mountain Arts, Wells BC
FireWild Salmon Arm Arts Center, Salmon Arm BC
Wildfire Tourism (Solo) Galiano Island Library, Galiano Island BC
- 2020:** *When Was Your Last Wildfire? (Solo)* Caetani Cultural Center, Vernon BC
- 2019:** *Wildfire Tourism (Solo)* Kwantlen Polytechnic University, Surrey BC
Penumbra Dynamo Arts Association, Vancouver BC
Miss You Already! (Solo) Sointula Window Gallery, Sointula BC
Expeditions Kafka's Café, Vancouver BC
Contemporary Landscapes Fort Langley National Historic Site, Langley BC
- 2018:** *Fire Season (Solo)* Lasqueti Island Arts Center, Lasqueti Island BC
- 2017:** *Gather (Solo)* Kwantlen Polytechnic University, Surrey BC
Shift Surrey Art Gallery, Surrey BC
The Figure in Landscape Elissa Cristal Gallery, Vancouver BC
Featured Artist Exhibition (Solo) Art Rental & Sales at the Vancouver Art Gallery
Vancouver BC
- 2016:** *(Super) Natural* Dynamo Arts Association, Vancouver BC
What Will We Do With These Natural Gifts? Toast Collective, Vancouver BC
- 2015:** *Memory Sites (Solo)* Page and Strange Gallery, Halifax NS
There There (Solo) Anna Leonowens Gallery, Halifax NS
- 2014:** *Fresh Paint and New Construction* Art Mur, Montreal QC
Y-Level Group Show Eyelevel Gallery, Halifax NS
- 2013:** *Daily Scramble* Anna Leonowens Gallery, Halifax NS
From This Peak to That One YACTAC Gallery, Vancouver BC
- 2011:** *Gamli Skoli Studio Exhibition* Hrisey, Iceland

Public Presentations:

- 2024:** “*Fire, Climate, and Community*” (on discussion panel with John Valliant, Melina Maboucan-Massimo, and Eugene Kung) Melville Centre for Dialogue, Richmond BC
- 2023:** “*Fire Season - Resilience and Art Making in the Age of the Climate Crisis*”
UAAC Conference, Banff AB
- 2021:** “*Open Studio + Artist Talk*” Island Mountain Arts, Wells BC
“*Artist Interview*” Daybreak South - CBC Radio, Kelowna BC, June 27 2021
“*Collective Sense Making Around Wildfire: Fire Season*” Cascadia Wildfire & Urban Smoke Working Group, Online presentation
- 2019:** “*Wildfire Tourism*” Kwantlen Polytechnic University Arts Speaker Series, Surrey BC
- 2017:** “*Artist Talk*” Art Rental & Sales at the Vancouver Art Gallery, Vancouver BC
- 2016:** “*Nationalism, Nature, and Northerness*” Dynamo Arts Association, Vancouver BC
- 2015:** “*Ideologies of Nationalism in Northern Landscape Painting*” Queens University Art History Conference “Context and Meaning”, Kingston ON

Residencies/Travel Grants:

- (Upcoming) Klondike Institute for Art + Culture, Dawson City YK, June 2024
“I made it through the wilderness...” Artscape Gibraltar Point, Toronto ON, June 2023
Similkameen Artist Residency, Keremeos BC, May 2023
Island Mountain Arts, Wells BC, July 2021
Caetani Cultural Center, Vernon BC, July-October 2020, June 2021, May 2022
Sointula Art Shed, Sointula BC, June 2019
W.B. Bruce European Fine Arts Travel Scholarship, May-June 2016
Gamlí Skóli, Hrísey, Iceland August 2011

Publications as Editor:

- “*Fire Season II*” artist book compiled by Liz Toohey-Wiese and Amory Abbott, self-published August 2022
- “*Fire Season*” artist book compiled by Liz Toohey-Wiese and Amory Abbott, self-published October 2020

Bibliography:

- “B.C. visual artists explore wildfires at Wells art gallery” Quesnel Observer, August 2022
<https://www.quesnelobserver.com/community/b-c-visual-artists-explore-wildfires-at-art-gallery-in-wells/>
- “Vancouver Artist Showcases wildfire-inspired paintings” CBC, June 2021
<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia/painting-artist-wildfire-paintings-1.6081530>

“Okanagan Wildfire spark artist’s exhibit in Vernon” Vernon Morning Star, by Jennifer Smith, June 2021

<https://www.vernonmorningstar.com/entertainment/okanagan-wildfires-spark-artists-exhibit-in-vernon>

“Forest fires spark billboard art near Vernon” Vernon Morning Star, by Jennifer Smith, September 2020

<https://www.vernonmorningstar.com/entertainment/forest-fires-spark-billboard-art-near-vernon/>

“Zeballos wildfire depicted in series of artworks marked by grieving and dark humor” Campbell River Mirror, by David Koch, June 2019

<https://www.campbellrivermirror.com/community/zeballos-wildfire-depicted-in-series-of-artworks-marked-by-grieving-and-dark-humour/>

“Review: What Will We Do With These Natural Gifts?” *Peripheral Review*, by Adriana Lademann, June 2016

<https://peripheralreview.com/2016/06/06/what-will-we-do-with-these-natural-gifts/>

“Identity and Landscape” NSCAD University, by Marilyn Smulders, January 2015

<https://nscad.ca/identityandlandscape/>

“Hit List: Liz Toohey-Wiese” Akimbo, by Terence Dick, June 2014

“Y Level Group Show: Emerging Artist Exhibition” Eyelevel Gallery Curatorial Essay, by Jack Wong, June 2014

“Sculpting a Future” *Montecristo Magazine*, by Shannon Heth Vergette, June 2011

<https://montecristomagazine.com/magazine/summer-2011/art-school-graduation-exhibitions>

Selected Teaching Experience:

Full-time Faculty, Drawing and Painting, Kwantlen Polytechnic University, Surrey BC 2015-Present

Sessional Instructor at NSCAD University, Halifax NS, “Politics in Landscape” Winter 2015

Teaching Assistant at NSCAD University, Halifax NS, (Introduction to Visual Culture, Introductory Painting, Advanced Painting) 2013-2014

Selected Awards and Scholarships:

BC Arts Council Individual Arts Grants, May 2024

Faculty of Arts Excellence and Advancement Fund, Kwantlen Polytechnic University, December 2018, April 2020, April 2021, April 2022, April 2023

0.6% Faculty Professional Development Fund, Kwantlen Polytechnic University, May 2019

Art City Visiting Artist Grant, Winnipeg MB, August 2015

W.B. Bruce European Fine Art Travel Scholarship, March 2015

Starfish Properties Student Art Award, NSCAD University, March 2015

Elizabeth Greenshields Foundation, Montreal QC, June 2013, July 2014

NSCAD MFA Fellowship, September 2013, 2014

BC Arts Council Senior Scholarship, August 2013