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Curriculum Vitae

Selected Education

2004 – 2007 PhD, University of Tasmania, School of Art
2012 – 2013 Independent Study Program, Maumaus Escola de Artes Visuais, Lisbon

Selected Solo Exhibitions

2024 *Phantom Letters*, Podroom Gallery, Culture Centre Belgrade, Serbia, May 30 – June 29
2023 Galerias Municipais, Lisbon, Portugal, June 21 – September 17
2023 *From above, an island*, Edith Russ Haus for Media Art, Oldenburg, Germany, April 19 – June 11
2023 *HAVEN*, Samstag Museum of Art, Adelaide March 2 – May 19
2020 *Fossil*, Carpintarias de São Lázaro, Lisbon, Portugal, 18 July – 29 August
2019 Appleton Cultural Foundation, Lisbon, 24 January – 28 February
2018 *Delay*, Contemporary Art Tasmania as part of Dark MOFO 2018, 8 June – 16 July
2017 *To Attempt to Become Other, Secretly or Not*. 55 Sydenham Road, Sydney, 7 – 25 April
2016 *To Attempt to Become Other, Secretly or Not*. Ar Solido, Lisbon, 16 November – 7 December
2016 *Island*, Rua de Arroios 22, Lisbon, 14 – 17 January
Island, Visual Bulk, Hobart, Tasmania, 7 – 9 May
2013 *Uma Espécie de Sombra / A Sort of Shadow*, Lumiar Cité, Lisbon, 14 November – 22 December
2011 *To Catch a Tiger*, Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery, Hobart, Tasmania, 04 November 2011 – 25 March 2012
2011 *silent protests*, Criterion Gallery, Hobart, Tasmania, 24 March – 7 May
2010 Gallery of Fine Arts/ Galerija umjetnina, Split, Croatia, 9 – 23 November
2010 *If They Fall* and *Passive Aggressive*, screening at < dienstag abend >, Vesche Gallery, Vienna, 2 November
2010 *If They Fall*, Rosalux, Berlin, 24 September – 20 October
2009 *Urgent Care*, Criterion Gallery, Hobart, 21 August – 12 September
2009 *Stories of Celebration and Dissent*, Rosalux, Berlin, 13 – 28 June
2009 *show me the truth and I'll show you more of the same*, Moorilla Scholarship, Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery, 21 May – 12 June
2008 *I Notice These Little Things, How They Change*, Faculty Gallery, Monash University Museum of Art, Melbourne, 5 June – 12 July

Selected Group Exhibitions and Screenings

2025	<i>Tomorrow Today</i> , Bienal Fotografia do Porto, Porto, Portugal, 15 May – 29 June
2024	Transitions Festival, Maastricht, Netherlands, October 10 – 13
2023	Rencontres Internationales, film festival, Paris and Berlin
2021	<i>Surreal Landscapes</i> , Mornington Peninsula Regional Gallery, Victoria, 29 May – 22 August
2021	<i>What Happens to the World, Happens to Us</i> , Bienal Fotografia do Porto, Porto, Portugal, 14 May – 27 June
2021	<i>Hobart Current</i> , Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery, Hobart, 12 March – 1 July
2021	<i>Tura Adapts: A Different View</i> , online video screenings
2020	<i>Revelation Perth International Film Festival</i> , Perth
2019	<i>The National 2019: New Australian Art</i> , Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, 29 March – 21 July
2019	<i>Oslo Independent Film Festival</i> , 27 – 29 November
2019	<i>Revelation Perth International Film Festival</i> , Perth 4 – 17 July
2019	<i>A Broken Link</i> , screening at Stuttgarter Filmwinter - Festival for Expanded Media, Stuttgart, 19 January
2019	<i>Caves dos Sonhos Esquecidos</i> , Artes, Porto, 5 January – 2 February
2018	<i>The Habitat of Time</i> , with A Published Event, Casula Powerhouse, Sydney
2018	<i>A Luta Continua</i> , Moonah Arts Centre, Hobart, 5 – 28 April
2018	<i>Lost Rocks: Petrified Wood, Fossil, Petrified Wood</i> , with A Published Event at Rosny Barn, Tasmania, 9 – 29 March
2018	<i>Mount Florida Screenings</i> , Centre for Contemporary Art, Glasgow, 25 January
2017	<i>Proof of Life</i> , Salamanca Arts Centre, Hobart, Tasmania, 23 Sept – 15 Oct
2017	GradCAM Research Pavilion, Venice 29 September – 1 October 1
2017	<i>A Broken Link</i> , screening at Central Saint Martins, London, 8 June
2017	<i>A Broken Link</i> , screening at Golden Age Cinema, Sydney, 28 May
2017	<i>Art and Film</i> , screening at the Museum of Contemporary Art, Sydney, 11 March
2016	<i>Fisher's Ghost Art Award</i> , Cambelltown Arts Centre, Sydney, 28 October – 15 December
2016	<i>Double-Bill: films of Trygve Luktavsslimo and James Newitt</i> , screening at Moonah Arts Centre, Hobart, 18 May
2016	<i>Somewhere, Away</i> , 146 Artspace, Hobart, 4 February – 10 March
2016	<i>Exhaust</i> , Contemporary Art Tasmania, 13 January – 14 February
2015	<i>Light Moves Festival</i> , Limerick, Ireland, 21 November
2015	<i>The Rehearsal</i> , screening at Cinema Casa das Artes, Porto, Portugal, 4 October
2015	<i>The Rehearsal</i> , screening at Small Projects, Tromsø, Norway, 23 September
2015	<i>24 Frames per Second</i> , Carriageworks, Sydney, 18 June – 2 August
2015	<i>Tell Me My Truth</i> , 4A Centre for Contemporary Asian Art, Sydney, 27 March – 16 May
2015	<i>Colonial Afterlives</i> , Salamanca Arts Centre, Hobart, Tasmania, 19 March – 22 April; Mildura Arts Centre, Victoria, 8 Sept – 6 Nov 2016; Dubbo Regional Gallery, NSW, 4 Feb – 26 March 2017; Maitland Regional Art Gallery, NSW, 6 May – 23 July 2017
2015	<i>The Rehearsal</i> , screening at São Luiz Municipal Theatre, Lisbon, 17 January
2014	<i>Scanlines Remix</i> , Brenda May Gallery, Sydney, 25 February – 10 May

- 2013 *The Space Between Us: Anne Landa Award for Video and New Media Arts*, Art Gallery of New South Wales, 16 May – 28 July
- 2013 *Seeing Red*, Meijing Art Center, Tianjin, China
- 2013 *Between Documentary and Fiction 2*, screening at Marquee Theatre, University of West Madison, USA, 7–21 March
- 2012 *Sonic Spheres: Tarra Warra Biennial 2012*, Tarra Warra Museum of Art, 5 August – 9 December
- 2012 *Social Networking*, Gallery of Modern Art, Brisbane, 3 March – 24 June
- 2011 *Iteration:Again*, Hobart, Tasmania, 17 September – 15 October, supported by CAST (Contemporary Art Services Tasmania)
- 2011 *New Age: New Media*. China: Yuanboyuan Jinan International Art Exhibition Centre, Jinan, 21 May -6 June; Sichuan Fine Art Academy Art Gallery, Chongqing, 3 June – 5 July
- 2010 *In The Balance: Art for a Changing World*, Museum of Contemporary Art, Sydney, 20 August – 23 November
- 2010 *Primavera*, Museum of Contemporary Art, Sydney, 20 August – 11 November; Queensland University of Technology Art Museum, 4 February – 3 April; Freemantle Arts Centre, Western Australia, 30 July – 18 September; Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery, 7 October – 20 November
- 2009 *What I Think About When I Think About Dancing*, Campbelltown Arts Centre, Sydney, 27 November – 3 January 2010
- 2009 *Immense Views*, (with Justy Phillips and Lucy Bleech), Linden Centre for Contemporary Art, Melbourne, 13 November – 12 December
- 2009 *Australia?*, Mildura Arts Centre, Mildura, Victoria, 23 April – 27 May
- 2008 *Ecchymosis*, Criterion Gallery, Hobart, Tasmania, 20 November 2008 – 17 January 2009
- 2008 *New Social Commentary 08*, FJ Foundation Acquisitive Art Prize, Warrnambool Art Gallery, 6 September – 3 November
- 2008 *write/here*, collaboration with Justy Phillips, Criterion Gallery, Hobart Tasmania, 28 March – 2 April
- 2008 *Handle With Care*, 2008 Adelaide Biennale of Australian Art, Art Gallery of South Australia, 1 March – 4 May
- 2007 *Eternal Beautiful Now*, Sherman Galleries, Sydney, 9 – 26 May, 2007
2007. *the write/here project*, billboard project as part of the *10 Days on the Island*, in collaboration with Justy Phillips, Hobart, Tasmania, 23 March – 1 April
- 2007 *Port Arthur Project*, video installation as part of the *10 Days on the Island*, Port Arthur Historic Site, Tasmania, 16 March – 15 April
- 2007 *a room with a view*, CAST Gallery, Hobart, 10 February – 4 March
- 2007 *Made Public*, Carnegie Gallery, Hobart, 11 January – 1 February
- 2007 *From Small Things (Big Things One Day Come)*, screening at Chauvel Cinema, Paddington, Sydney, 17 January
- 2006 *Tidal: City of Devonport Art Prize*, Devonport Regional Gallery
- 2006 *Electroprojections – The Doco Hour*, screening at Electrofringe Festival, Newcastle, Australia, 27 September – 1 October
- 2006 *International Film and Memorialisation Conference*, screening at University of Applied Sciences, Germany, 14-15 October
- 2006 *Quote*, Long Gallery, Salamanca Arts Centre, Hobart, 13 August – 10 September
- 2006 *text me...* Devonport Regional Gallery, 5 August – 3 September

2006. *Next Wave Festival – container village*, International Youth Arts Festival, Melbourne (representing INFLIGHT art), 15 – 26 March

Selected Commissions

2022 New work commissioned by the Samstag Museum of Art, Adelaide, South Australia

2020 Film commissioned by Tura as part of their 'A Different View' online video program, with Sonya Holowell

2020 New work commissioned by Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery and Hobart City Council for *Hobart Current 2020*

2018-19 *Fossil* (film), commissioned by the Art Gallery of New South Wales as part of 'The National 2019: New Australian Art'

2017 *Fossil* (book), commissioned by A Published Event as part of 'Lost Rocks' 2017-21

2016-17 *A Plan for Escape*, supported by Glenorchy Art and Sculpture Park, Tasmania

2014-15 *The Rehearsal*, commissioned by Carriageworks, Sydney as part of '24 Frames Per Second'

2011 *To Catch a Tiger*, commissioned as part of the 'Star Dust' series of exhibitions, Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery and Detached Cultural Foundation

2007 *Saturday Nights*, commissioned by 10 Days on the Island

2006 *Facade Intervention: a Story of a Day*, commissioned for the Latrobe High School by Arts Tasmania, in collaboration with Room 11 architects

Awards, Grants and Professional Recognition

2024 Gulbenkian Foundation, new work grant (with Carlos Oliveira)

2022 Foundation of Lower Saxony at the Edith-Russ-Haus for Media Art grant

2022 Australia Council for the Arts, individual project grant - International Engagement

2022 Goethe Institut - Mobility Grant

2021 Australia Council for the Arts, individual project grant

2019 Oslo Independent Film Festival, *Fossil* winner: Best Experimental Film

2018 Arts Tasmania, assistance to individuals project grant

2016 Australia Council for the Arts, individual project grant

2016 Arts Tasmania, artist investment program

2013 Australia Council for the Arts, mid-career new work grant

2012 Anne & Gordon Samstag International Visual Arts Scholarship

2011 Australia Council for the Arts, Liverpool studio residency

2010 City of Hobart Art Prize, digital media category

2009 Qantas Foundation Encouragement of Australian Contemporary Art Award

2009 Arts Tasmania project grant

2008 Moorilla Scholarship, funded by the Museum of Old and New Art

2008 Australia Council for the Arts, Los Angeles studio residency

2007 Australia Council Community, Cultural Development grant, with Justy Phillips for *the write/here project*

2006 Artist Award, 'Tidal: City of Devonport Art Prize', Devonport Regional Gallery

- 2006 Arts Tasmania project grant, with Justy Phillips for *the write/here project*
- 2006 Australia Council Community, Cultural Development grant, with Justy Phillips for *the write/here project*

Artistic residencies

- 2024 Vivificar artist residency, facilitated by Ci.CLO art Porto, May – September
- 2022 Artist residency, Edith Russ Haus for Media Art, Oldenburg, Germany, September – December
- 2020-21 Workshop residency, Sound Image Culture, Brussels, Belgium
- 2011 Artist residency, The Royal Standard, Liverpool UK, supported by the Australia Council for the Arts
- 2008 Artist residency, 18th Street Studio, Los Angeles, supported by Australia Council for the Arts
- 2008 Artist residency King Island Tasmania, supported by Arts Tasmania

Collections

Monash University Museum of Art, Melbourne
 Queensland Art Gallery / Gallery of Modern Art, Brisbane
 The Museum of Old and New Art, Hobart
 The Museum of Contemporary Art, Sydney
 The Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery, Hobart
 Artbank Australia
 The Andrew Cameron Family Collection
 Private collections

Community/Professional Service

- 2011 – 2012 CAST (Contemporary Art Services Tasmania) programing committee
- 2009 Peer advisor, Australia Council for the Arts, Visual Arts Board
- 2002 – 2007 Founding Board Member of INFLIGHT artist run space, Hobart
- 2004 – 2006 Director of INFLIGHT artist run space
- 2002 – 2005 AGDA (Australian Graphic Design Association), National Councillor

Employment History

- 2015 – 2019 Lecturer and Head of Time-Based Media, School of Creative Arts, University of Tasmania
- 2015 + 2016 Visiting professor, Tromsø Art Academy, University of Tromsø, Norway

- 2014 Visiting professor, City University of New York, John Jay College
- 2012 Guest tutor for Bachelor of Fine Art students at the Liverpool School of Art and Design, Liverpool John Moore University, UK
- 2008 – 2012 Associate Lecturer, Tasmanian College for the Arts

Presentations and publications

- 2022 *Boundary Encounters: Fictional Strategies in Reality-based Film*, presented in collaboration with Sound Image Culture, Brussels October 21–23
- 2019 *Delay*, book published by Contemporary Art Tasmania
- 2018 *Fossil*, novella published by A Published Event as part of 'Lost Rocks'
- 2017 Cine-escape, film program for Glenorchy Art and Sculpture Park and Ten Days on the Island, 26th March
- 2015 'Catharsis, trance and resistance: to dance during crisis', as part of *Mind The Gap*, The Lisbon Consortium, School of Human Sciences, Catholic University of Portugal, November 2
- 2014 'A Sort of Shadow', as part of the *Between Representation and Marginality* panel, The Graduate Center, City University of New York, November 24
- 2011 'Almost Documentary', as part of the *New Age: New Media* symposium, Sichuan Fine Arts Institute, Chongqing
- 2009 'write/here', refereed paper, *Interventions in the Public Domain*, ACUADS (Australian Council of University Art and Design Schools) conference, Queensland College of Art, Griffith University, Brisbane, 30 September - 2 October
- 2008 *write/here* book, self published with Justy Phillips
- 2008 'Encounters, Conversations and Stories', Monash University, Melbourne, and OTIS College, Public Practice class, Los Angeles, USA
- 2005 'a space in-between: constructing situations of interpretation', refereed paper, *artists, designers and creative communities*, 2005 ACUADS (Australian Council of University Art and Design Schools) conference, Perth