

Philliswa Lila

Lives and works in Pretoria, South Africa

Education

Michaelis School of Art (UCT), Honours in Curating, 2015

University of South Africa, Project Management, 2012

BA Fine and Applied Arts, Tshwane University of Technology (TUT), Pretoria, 2010

Senior Certificate, Holy Cross High School, Mthatha, 2005

Awards

2019 Chosen by Dr Esther Mahlangu as her emerging artist to watch for the SEED Auction

2018 Gerard Sekoto Award - ABSA L'Atelier competition

2009 Merit Award - ABSA L'Atelier competition

Exhibitions:

Solo Exhibitions

2020–21 "Skin, Bone, Fire: The First Album", travelling exhibition: Absa Gallery, North West University Gallery, Bird Street Gallery in Nelson Mandela University and Stellenbosch University Museum

Performances

2018 "Ntombikayise" Afems (Rhodes University, South Africa)

2017 "tic talk /tôk/" ICA Infecting the City (Cape Town, South Africa)

2016 "tic talk /tôk/" Reason and it's disconnect (Grahamstown, South Africa)

2014 "HambhaMfazi!" Young 14 (Bag Factory Artist Studios, South Africa)

Group Exhibitions

2019 "Disrupting Patterns", The Melrose Gallery, Cape Town, South Africa

2019 "Material Identities", The Melrose Gallery, Johannesburg, South Africa

2019 "Speculative Enquiry 1", Michaelis Galleries, Cape Town, South Africa

2019 "Sculptx", The Melrose Gallery Jhb, South Africa

2018 "L'Atelier", ABSA Art Gallery, South Africa

2017 "Sasol New Signatures competition" (top 100) Pretoria Art Museum, South Africa

2016 "The Spaces between Maps" (ABSA - KKNK art festival, South Africa)

2015 "Beyond the Academy Exhibition" (Fried Contemporary, South Africa)

2014 "Dialogues with the Masters" (Joburg Art Fair, South Africa)

2014 "Young 14" (Bag Factory Artist Studios, South Africa)

2013 "Who I am is connected to where I live" (Centurion Art Gallery, South Africa)

2012 "Recent Acquisition Art Exhibition" (UNISA Art Gallery, South Africa)

- 2011 “Amasiko Heritage Festival” (UNISA Art Gallery, South Africa)
- 2010 “Neo Emergence” Exhibition, Pretoria Arts museum, South Africa

Auctions

- 2019 “SAFFCA SEED - 1 auction”, invited by Dr Esther Mahlangu, Jhb, South Africa
- 2015 “Review Exhibition for Nelson Mandela Children's Hospital Trust”
(Absa Art Gallery, South Africa)

Residencies and Workshops:

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- 2019 Cite Internationale Des Arte (Paris)
- 2014 Greatmore Studios (Cape Town)
- 2013 Bag Factory Artist Studios (Johannesburg)

Experiential workshops

- 2018 Decolonial Aesthesis Creative Lab (Rhode University, South Africa)
- 2014 Thupelo Workshops (Prince Albert, Karoo, South Africa)
- 2011 Thupelo Workshop (Bag Factory, Johannesburg, South Africa)

Facilitated/Teaching workshops

- 2018 Refilwe Art Reach, Bloemfontein
- 2014 Greatmore Outreach, Greatmore artist Studios, Cape Town
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- 2011 UNISA Educators workshop, Cultural History Museum, Pretoria
- 2011 Tshwane Legends Exhibition workshop, Dikaletsa, Pretoria Art Museum
- 2011 Art Flux Ithuteng Art outreach, Fusion Primary School, Pretoria
- 2010 Painting Facilitator, School of Creative Arts
- 2009-10 PAM KiDZ CLUB, Pretoria Art Museum
- 2009-10 Children’s Tile Art Project
- 2010 Lethabo le Kutsho(people with Autism), Pretoria Art Museum
- 2009 Tshwane Film Festival, Pretoria Art Museum
- 2009 Ithuteng Art Project Outreach, Phuthaditshaba Primary School, Attridgeville

Collections

- University of South Africa Art Gallery
- University of Cape Town Collection
- Private collections