

HALE EKINCI

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2023 **For (Y)Our Eyes Only**, Soo Visual Arts Center, Minneapolis, MN
Between You and I, Comfort Station, Chicago, IL
- 2022 **Compound Subjects**, Leonor R. Fuller Gallery, Olympia, WA
Motif: Silent Language, University of Illinois Springfield Gallery, Springfield, IL
- 2021 **Connected**, Facebook Office, Permanent Site-specific Installation, Chicago, IL
- 2020 **Oya: Borders of History**, Dittmar Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2019 **Written in Oya: Entangled Stories**, Pearl Conard Gallery, Mansfield, OH
Solo Exhibition of Recent Work, One River Art School (Curator: Robert Sebanc), Chicago, IL
The Gün (a.k.a. Gold Day) Video Screening + Participatory Event, FilmFront, Chicago, IL

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2023 **TL;DR (too long; didn't read)**, Heaven Gallery (Curator: Jenn Sova), Chicago, IL
Lineage, Field Projects (Curator: Kris Racaniello), New York City, NY
- 2022 **When or if I was there: Rachel de Cuba & Hale Ekinci**, Tiger Strikes Asteroid, Chicago, IL
Sugar Coating, Co-Prosperity, Chicago, IL
Continuum, Textile Center, Minneapolis, MN
Double Time, C-Worker Gallery at River House Arts, Toledo, OH
2022 Textiles and Fiber Art Juried Exhibition, Robert Hillestad Textiles Gallery, Lincoln, NE
- 2021 **A Different Future in the Making: Building Garment Worker Power**, Studio Gang and Blue Tin Production, Chicago, IL
- 2021 **Built by Pictures**, [Stay Home Gallery](#) (Curator: Carolina Alamilla), online
- 2020 **How Have You Been?**, Schwitzer Gallery, Indianapolis, IN
Home As Situation, Bolivar Art Gallery at University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY
Bridge Residency Program Exhibition, Hyde Park Art Center, Chicago, IL
Complex Territory: Image and Appearance, Giertz Gallery, Champaign, IL
- 2019 **Portals**, Chicago Artist Coalition (Curator: Elliot Reichert), Chicago, IL
Featured Artist for Art on Campus Series, University of Maine at Farmington, Farmington, ME
Serious Vanity, One After 909, Chicago, IL
The Body is Work, Chicago Artist Coalition (Curator: Elliot Reichert), Chicago, IL
Reminiscence, One After 909, Chicago, IL
Terrain Biennial, Terrain Exhibitions, Chicago, IL
23rd Annual No Dead Artists, Jonathan Ferrara Gallery (Juror: Robyn Dunn Schwarz, Carmon Colangelo, Nick Korniloff), New Orleans, LA
Survey 1, Chicago Artist Coalition (Curators: Alexis Brocchi, Elliot J. Reichert, Jeff Robinson), Chicago, IL
Fiber Focus 2019, Art St. Louis (Juror: Arturo Alonzo Sandoval), St. Louis, MO
Biennial 30, South Bend Museum of Art (Curator: Sarah Rose Sharp), South Bend, IN
Beyond The Surface - Surface Design Association's Annual International Juried Members Exhibition, St Louis Artists' Guild (Jurors: Jo Stealey and Jim Arendt), St Louis, MO
Refreshing Feminism, Woman Made Gallery (Curator: Dorit Jordan Dotan), Chicago, IL
Lifted: image-based appropriation in the digital age, Pearl Conard Art Gallery, Mansfield, OH

- 2018 **Pushing Paper**, Indianapolis Art Center (Juror: Kyle Herrington), Indianapolis, IN
A Hopeful Gesture, A film screening in conjunction with 2018 Creative Time Summit, Center for Contemporary Art, Ujazdowski Castle, Warsaw, POLAND | **Online Exhibition**, The Muted Horn, Cleveland, OH; Storoboskop Space, Warsaw, POLAND
Open Door 14: Juried Exhibition, Rosalux Gallery (Curator: Nicole Soukup), Minneapolis, MN
Nevertheless She Persisted, Koehnline Museum of Art, Des Plaines, IL
A Small Matter, Ann Street Gallery, Newburgh, NY
Resident Exhibition, Elsewhere Museum (Curator: Emily Ensminger), Greensboro, NC
Textile Show, VAE, Raleigh, NC
Illinois at 200, Giertz Gallery (Curator: Doug Stapleton), Champaign, IL
Loved Ones, Bridgeport Art Center (Curator: Lelde Kalmite), Chicago, IL
Alternative to What, Sulfur Studios (Curator: Bridget Conn), Savannah, GA
Pen & Ink, Union Street Gallery (Juror: Kate Lewis), Chicago Heights, IL
- 2017 **Asides + Besides 2, Video Artists Remixing Artist Videos**, The Nightingale Cinema, Chicago, IL
Spotlight Exhibition: EXPO CHICAGO 2017 Showcase, ShopColumbia at Averill and Bernard Leviton Gallery, Chicago, IL
EXPO Chicago (International Exposition of Contemporary & Modern Art), Special Exhibitions - ShopColumbia Booth, Chicago, IL
Musrara Mix Festival - Exhibition in Public Places, Jerusalem, ISRAEL
- 2016 **Displacement & Migration**, St. Louis Artists' Guild, St. Louis, MO
Hispanic Heritage Month Exhibition, Harold Washington Public Library, Chicago, IL
embody Exhibition, Uptown Art Center (Curator: Eden Unluata), Chicago, IL
Community Art Show, Oesterle Library Gallery (Juror: Deborah Venezia, Executive Director of Naperville Art League), Naperville, IL
Open Studios, MOMENTUM Worldwide (Curator: Rachel Rits-Volloch), Berlin, GERMANY
Let's Resist Installation, Gallery 200 Store Front, West Chicago, IL
Artist Residency Open Studios, Jiwari International Residence, Barcelona, SPAIN
Faculty Group Show, Schoenherr Gallery, Naperville, IL
- 2015 **Document**, Woman Made Gallery (Curator: Jessica Cochran), Chicago, IL
Documentary Film Screening and Talk "The Rays of The Sun", Meiley Swallow Hall (In collaboration with Matthew Krystal), North Central College, Naperville, IL
- 2014 **Documentary Film Screening and Talk "Where The Stone Tones"**, College of DuPage (In collaboration with Matthew Krystal), Glen Ellyn, IL
Documentary Film Screening and Talk "Where The Stone Tones", North Central College (In collaboration with Matthew Krystal), Naperville, IL
Finite Growth, Human Thread Gallery – Bridgeport Art Center, Chicago, IL
- 2013 **Being Charlie Chaplin**, Chicago Architecture Open House - Essanay Studio (Commission: Uptown United), Chicago, IL
Annual Video Festival, Trestle Gallery – Brooklyn Art Space, New York, NY
Alumni on 5: Start of Something, Columbia College Chicago Library, Chicago, IL
Goddess Online Art Exhibition, Art Depth
Annual review video art interview and showcase, Stigmat
Introvert, Fire Gallery (Juror: Joanna Pinsky, Artistic Director of Art Encounter), Naperville, IL
Culture Shock, Design Cloud Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2012 **Amulets, Nazars & Evil Eyes: Artists Looking Forward**, Queens College Art Center, New York, NY
Residuum, Oracle Art (Part of Chicago Artists' Month), Chicago, IL
Circus Surreal Emerging Arts Festival, The Observatory, Chicago, IL
- 2011 **MFA Thesis Exhibition**, Center for Book-Paper Gallery & Arcade Gallery, Chicago, IL
Interdisciplinary Arts Booth, Art Chicago, Chicago, IL
Art Bazaar, Black Cloud Gallery, Chicago, IL
Art Loop Open Competition, Block 27, (In collaboration with Eden Unluata), Chicago, IL

- 2010 **The Astronaut's Birthday**, Museum of Contemporary Art - Redmoon Theater, Chicago, IL
The Culture Garden Festival, Global Coffee & Cargo / Community Garden, Chicago, IL
Version Fest Video Show, Cable Access Channel 21 - CAN TV, Chicago, IL
Chicago Artists' Coalition-12th Annual Chicago Art Open, River East Art Center, Chicago, IL
Digital Incarnate, Project Room, (collaboration w/ Eden Unluata), Columbia College, Chicago, IL
Work Studio Opening Show, Work Studio, Chicago, IL
Flat Iron Arts Association showART Exhibit, FIAA Gallery, Chicago, IL
ARTexchange - College Art Association Conference, Hyatt Regency, Chicago, IL
Beyond Belief, Galley - Columbia College, Chicago, IL
Spirituality x 9: A Group Investigation, Columbia College, Chicago, IL
At Close Distance, C33 Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2009 **In Possibility - a transformable art installation**, Columbia College, Chicago, IL
ReFab, Mess Hall, Chicago, IL
Core Project Exhibition, The Galaxie, Chicago, IL
Square Foot Show, The Galaxie, Chicago, IL
- 2008 **Distant Relations**, WarpHaus Gallery, Gainesville, FL
- 2007 **Connections**, Oceanique, Evanston, IL
- 2006 **Cookout Exhibition**, Dewart Gallery, New London, CT
Connectivity: 10th Biennial Symposium on Arts and Technology, CAT, New London, CT

TALKS | WORKSHOPS

- 2023 **Visiting Artist Series Talk**, [Eskenazi Museum of Art](#), Bloomington, IN
- 2022 **Artist Lecture**, [Ecce Speaker Series: Written In Oya: Symbolic Patterns And Women's Work](#), University of Illinois, Spring
The Leonor R. Fuller Gallery Artist Talk, [Leonor R. Fuller Gallery](#), Olympia, WA
Artist Workshop (3 days)- Symbolic Memory: Mixed Media Textiles, Textile Center, Minneapolis, MN
Visiting Artist + Workshop, Waubensee Community College, Aurora, IL
- 2021 **Acing The Interview Panel**, Self-Employment in the Arts (SEA) Summit Panelist and Mentor, virtual
Visiting Artist, Art 180: Integration Forum class at Trinity Western University, BC, Canada
- 2019 **Panel Presenter: Text + Textile + Resistance**, Materializing Resistance: Gender, Politics & Craft Symposium, University of Kentucky, Lexington, IL
- 2018 **After Effects Workshop and Artist Talk**, Marwen "Drawing in Motion" Course, Chicago, IL
Contemporary Issues in Collage Panel, Kolaj Fest, New Orleans, LA [kolajmagazine.com](#)
- 2016 **Artist Talk, July Artist Residency**, Elsewhere Museum, Greensboro, NC
- 2014 **Open Studio Artist Talk, Kunstquartier Bethanien**, MOMENTUM Worldwide, Berlin, Germany
Document Exhibition Artist Talk, Woman Made Gallery, Chicago, IL
Documentary Film Talk "Where The Stone Tones", College of DuPage, Chicago, IL
Photoshop Workshop, North Central College – Tech Week, Naperville, IL
Amulets, Nazars & Evil Eyes Exhibition Artist Talk, Queens College Art Center, New York, NY

PRESS | PUBLICATIONS

- 2023 [Society's Viewpoints Are On Display In This Chicago Artist's Work](#), Luxe Interiors + Design
[Discover: Seven contemporary textile artists](#), TextileArtis.org
- 2022 [Arte Morbida Interview](#)
- 2021 [Q+Art: Artist Ekinçi Explores Cultural Identity with Colorful Embroidery Paintings](#), NotRealArt.com

- 2019 [Issue 42 - Folk Art Gallery Feature](#), Uppercase Magazine
[Artist Spotlight](#), Create Whimsy
- 2018 [Figure and Fiber Award - Journal Article](#), [Surface Design Association](#)
[Women Cinemakers Biennale Interview](#), Women Cinemakers Special Edition
- 2017 [The Rich History of Women's Work](#), Kolaj Fest New Orleans
- 2016 [Local Stories Interview](#), Voyage Chicago
[Expo Chicago Interview](#), ShopColumbia
[Illinois Artist of the Month](#), I Like Illinois

RESIDENCIES

- Spring 2023 **ENGAGED ARTIST-IN-RESIDENCE, COOK CENTER FOR PUBLIC ARTS AND HUMANITIES**
 Indiana University, Bloomington, IN
- SPUDNIK PRESS COOPERATIVE RESIDENCY** Chicago, IL
- 2020 **FACEBOOK A.I.R. PROGRAM** Chicago, IL
- BRIDGE PROGRAM, Hyde Park Art Center** Chicago, IL
- 2019- 2018 **HATCH RESIDENCY, Chicago Artists Coalition** Chicago, IL
- 2018 **ELSEWHERE** Greensboro, NC
- 2017 **KALA Institute** (accepted) Berkeley, CA
- ACRE (Artists' Cooperative Residency and Exhibitions)** Steuben, WI
- 2016 **MOMENTUM WORLDWIDE** Berlin, GERMANY
- JIWAR INTERNATIONAL RESIDENCE FOR ARTISTS AND RESEARCHERS IN URBAN CREATIVITY** Barcelona, SPAIN

AWARDS | GRANTS

- 2022, 2021 **FDRG NORTH CENTRAL COLLEGE** Naperville, IL
 Summer Research Grant
- 2020 **DISSINGER PRIZE FOR FACULTY SCHOLARSHIP/CREATIVE WORK** Naperville, IL
 Distinguished Accomplishments Among Senior Faculty at North Central College
- 2019 **SOUTH BEND MUSEUM OF ART** South Bend, IL
Biennial 30, Best in Show Award
- SWING CREATIVITY FUND GRANT** Chicago, IL
 Awarded grant to bring a visiting artist and workshop
- 2018 **FIBER AND FIGURE AWARD**
 Surface Design Journal, Third annual International Exhibition in Print: Family Matters!
- 2019, 2018, 2017 **FPDC NORTH CENTRAL COLLEGE** Naperville, IL
 2016, 2013, 2012 Summer Research Grant
- 2012 **FIRE GALLERY** Naperville, IL
Introspection Exhibition 1st in show

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2011-present **NORTH CENTRAL COLLEGE** Naperville, IL
Associate Professor of Art and Design

2022-present *Chair of Art and Design Department*

Teach a variety of courses through lectures, demonstrations, exercises, projects, critiques and class discussions. Utilize Blackboard software for online management. Design and implement graphic design curriculum that meets department and NASAD accreditation learning outcomes. Serve as the department liaison and co-manager of NASAD self-study. Critique and evaluate current and prospective student portfolios for merit based scholarships. Provide course advising, career counseling, and assistance with portfolios to students. Classes include: Visual Literacy, 2D Design: Explorations in Image Making, Digital Art and Design, Practicum - Design Agency, Photography II - Digital, Web Design, Motion Graphics, Professional Practices.

2010-2011

2022-present **COLUMBIA COLLEGE CHICAGO, TELEVISION DEPARTMENT** Chicago, IL
Teaching Assistant

2008 Helped students to develop skills in field production of videos using HD/DV field gear (Lighting, JVC GY-HM100U cameras, tripods, microphones) and editing on Final Cut Pro. Classes included: Aesthetics and Storytelling, Production and Editing I, II, TV Arts Writing

UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA, SCHOOL OF ART + ART HISTORY Gainesville, FL
Instructor of Record

Digital Imaging: Taught aesthetic, technical, and conceptual practices of image making using digital media. Topics included concepts of digital imaging—digital photography and illustration; color theory; importing, scanning, and editing digital images using Photoshop and Illustrator.

EDUCATION

2011 **MFA, COLUMBIA COLLEGE (CCC)** Chicago, IL
Interdisciplinary Arts and Media

2007-2008 **UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA** Gainesville, FL
Digital Media Arts MFA Courses

2006 **BA, CONNECTICUT COLLEGE** New London, CT
Computer Science
Art (Design Concentration)
Magna cum laude
Ammerman Center for Arts and Technology
Certification

2005 **SCUOLA INTERNAZIONALE DI GRAFICA** Venice, Italy
Study Abroad