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### **EDUCATION**

School of Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA Brown University, Providence, RI (B.Sc)

## **SELECTED EXHIBITIONS**: (Solo Exhibitions in **Bold**)

- 2024 Taipei Dangdai Art Fair, Taipei Taiwan May 9-12
- 2023 Walking to Taipei, Journeys, Harvard Art Museums, Cambridge, MA, Dec 12, 2023-June 2, 2024
- **2023** James and Audrey Foster Prize Exhibition, Institute of Contemporary Art / Boston, Boston, MA, August 24, 2023–Jan 28, 2024
- **2023** Special Commission for *The Celestial City: Newport and China*, Rosecliff Mansion, Newport, RI, September 1, 2023 February 11, 2024.
- 2023 A More Perfect Union: American Artists and the Currents of Our Time, Art in Embassies traveling exhibition: The Acropolis Museum, Athens, Greece, May 24-30; Xippas Gallery, Geneva, Switzerland June 28-July 29; Smithsonian National Museum of American History, Washington, D.C., September 19-29
- 2023 Dallas Art Fair with Praise Shadows Art Gallery, Dallas, TX, April 20-23.
- **2023** We Belong, light-based public art installation, Boston City Hall, Boston, MA, February 7 TBA.
- 2023 Let Love Quiet Fear, Praise Shadows Art Gallery, Brookline, MA, January 23 February 12.
- **2022** Lantern Stories: San Francisco, permanent public art installation, 600 Grant Avenue, San Francisco, CA, opened October 3 | Solo Exhibition
- 2022 *Understatements: Lost & Found in Asian America*, Godwin-Ternbach Museum, Queens College, NY, September 28, 2022 January 6, 2023
- **2022** Lantern Stories: Boston, Rose Kennedy Greenway Conservancy, Boston, MA, September 11 November 15 | Solo Exhibition
- 2022 Student Lending Art Program Exhibition, MIT List Visual Arts Center, Cambridge, MA, August 30 September 18
- **2022** The Poetry of Reason, permanent wall sculpture, Tufts University Joyce Cummings Center, Medford, MA, August | Solo Exhibition
- **2022** We Belong, light-based public art installation commissioned by Now + There, East Boston Social Centers, Boston, MA, June November | Solo Exhibition
- 2022 Independent Art Fair with Praise Shadows Art Gallery, New York, NY, May 5-8
- 2022 Mapping and Connectivity: Works by Nathalie Miebach and Yu-Wen Wu, Broad Institute, Cambridge, MA, April 25 June 24
- **2022** Belonging: Asian / Asian American Voices at Smith, Nielsen Library, Smith College, Northampton, MA, April 28–August 30 | Solo Exhibition
- 2022 Of Gravity and Light, Ballet Des Moines, Des Moines, IA, April 22
- 2022 Forced to Flee, Bedford Gallery, Walnut Creek, CA, February 26–June 19
- **2021** *Internal Navigation*, Praise Shadows Art Gallery, Brookline, MA Sept 9–October 10 Solo Exhibition
- 2021 Imagining Data, Museum of Craft and Design San Francisco,

- **2020** Lantern Stories, Rose Kennedy Greenway Conservancy, September 11 to November 19 Solo Exhibition
- 2020 Displaced: Contemporary Artists Confront the Refugee Crisis, SITE Santa Fe, Santa Fe, NM. February 23, 2020–January 24, 2021
- 2020 Charting the World, Suffolk University Gallery, Boston MA, January 30-February 28
- 2019 *Together Apar*t, Bienalsur, Center for Border Studies, Cucuta Colombia September 28—November 16
- 2019 Leavings/Belongings for Foreign Born, Boston Based, Immigrant Led Hubweek, Boston MA October 1-3
- **2019** *Leavings/Belongings*, Pao Arts Center, 99 Albany Str, Boston MA, May 23-August 23 Solo Exhibition
- **2019** *High Water Mark*, 3S Gallery Portsmouth NH curated by Kristina Durocher April 9-May26 Solo exhibition
- 2019 The Moon: Eternal Pearl, Concord Art Center, Lexington MA March 29-May 1
- 2018 Making Migration Visible: Traces, Tracks, and Pathways, ICA MECA, Portland ME October 4-December 14
- **2018** *WITH/OUT WATER*, 5 channel outdoor video installation, One Greenway, Boston MA September 29 Solo Exhibition
- 2018 Resistant Currents, Mills Gallery, Boston MA July 28-October 14
- 2018 Beyond Borders: Stories of Immigration, Santa Clara University, Edward M. Dowd Art and Art History Building and Gallery January 8 to April 7
- 2017 Tiempos Migratorios at the SALASAB, Bogotá, Colombia
- 2017 Boston Hubweek, White Noise, Projection onto facade of Boston City Hall, October 12-14
- 2017 Violence Transformed; Slater Gallery, Tufts University, Medford MA September 2017
- **2017** *Observations* (4 video installations), Transit Gallery, Harvard Medical School, Boston MA January 30- March 30 (Solo Exhibition)
- 2017 Landscapes, Micromuseum, Yesultong, South Korea February 17 to June 17
- 2016 *Jolt: Guns, Race, Immigration*, Trustman Art Gallery, Simmons College Boston MA September 8-October 6
- **2016** *Terrain*, commissioned aluminum wall drawing, Chao Center, Harvard Business School, Cambridge MA
- 2016 Poem, commissioned public video installation, Quincy MA
- 2016 *Crossings* in collaboration with Harriet Bart, Perlman Art Museum, Carleton College, Northfield MN April 1–May 1
- 2016 Passages: Walking in Contemporary Art, Perlman Museum, Carleton College, Northfield MN April 1–June 10 2016 curated by Christina Chang
- 2016 Clouds, Temporarily Visible, Weisman Art Museum, Minneapolis MN January 29-May 22
- **2015** The Accumulation of Dreams, Miller Yezerski Gallery, Boston MA September 11-October 13 (solo exhibition)
- **2015** *Proximities*, Montserrat College of Art, Beverly MA September 23-October 30 (solo exhibition)
- 2015 Forget Me Not, Gallery 1st.iKon, Haeundae-gu, Busan Korea July/August

- 2015 Random Walks and Chance Encounters, Minnesota Museum of American Art, St. Paul MN MMAA Fellowship and Exhibition in collaboration with artist Harriet Bart March/April
- 2015 Belonging, The Wing Luke Museum, Seattle WA
- 2014 Selections, Levine Works on Paper Gallery, Davis Art Museum, Wellesley MA
- 2014 Drawn to Water, Atlantic Wharf Gallery, Fort Point, Boston, MA
- 2013 Site Lines, in collaboration with Harriet Bart, Driscoll Babcock Gallery, NY
- 2013 Summer Group Show: Miller Yezerski Gallery, Boston MA
- 2013 Directed: The Intersection of Book, Film and Visual Narrative, Minnesota Center for the Book Arts, Minneapolis, MN Perlman Museum, Carleton College, Northfield MN
- 2013 Migration—On Yellow Brick Road, New Gallery Concert, Boston MA May 15
- 2012 Migration, Helen Day Art Center, Stowe, VT
- 2012 Convergence, Helen Day Art Center, Stowe, VT (solo exhibition)
- 2011 The Poetry of Translations, Haslla Art Museum, Gangneun, South Korea (solo exhibition)
- **2011** *Listen*, Pentimenti Gallery, Philadelphia, PA (solo exhibition)
- 2009 Self-Similar, Miller Block Gallery, Boston, MA (solo exhibition)
- 2009 Suspended, a song cycle, Danforth Museum of Art, Framingham MA (solo exhibition)
- 2008 Concerto, Fitchburg State College, Fitchburg MA (solo exhibition)
- 2008 Internal Navigations, Miller Block Gallery, Boston MA (solo exhibition)
- 2004 Unfolding Folio, Mayor's Gallery, Boston City Hall, Boston, MA (solo exhibition)
- **2004** *Folio*, Miller Block Gallery, Boston, MA (solo exhibition)
- 1999 Water Writings, Miller Block Gallery, Boston, MA (solo exhibition)
- **1997** *Liquid Notes*, Regina A Quick Gallery, St. Bonaventure University, Olean, NY (solo exhibition)
- **1996** *Poems*, Miller Block Gallery, Boston, MA (solo exhibition)
- 1996 Two Visions/Two Voices, Trustman Gallery, Simmons College, Boston, MA
- 1994 Ten Artists/ Ten Visions: 1994, DeCordova Museum and Sculpture Park, Lincoln, MA
- 1990 Paintings 1990, Howard Yezerski Gallery, Boston, MA (solo exhibition)
- 1988 Traveling Scholars Exhibition, Carter Gallery, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA

#### **FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS**

- 2024 Foster Prize, Institute of Contemporary Art Boston MA
- 2021 City of Boston Transformative Public Art Grant
- 2021 Mass Cultural Council Artist Fellowship in Sculpture/Installation/New Genres
- 2021 Best of Boston: Best Artist of 2021, Boston Magazine
- 2020/2021 Now + There Accelerator Cohort
- 2019/2020 Greenway Conservancy Light-based Work, Chin Park, Boston MA
- 2019 Inaugural Prilla Smith Brackett Award
- 2018-2019 Artist in Residence Pao Art Center, Boston MA
- 2018 Union of Concerned Scientists, Cambridge MA, Washington DC, Oakland CA
- 2018 Artist Fellowship, Yaddo, Saratoga Springs, NY

- 2017 Brother Thomas Award, Boston Foundation, Boston MA
- 2017 Artist Research Fellowship, Orvietto Italy
- 2014 Artist Residency, Schloss Pluschow, Germany
- 2011 Artist Residency, Haslla Museum, South Korea
- 2011 Artist Residency, Auvillar France
- 2010 Artist Residency, Virginia Center for the Creative Arts, Sweetbriar, VA
- 2004 Massachusetts Cultural Council Grant for Painting
- 1998 Massachusetts Cultural Council Grant for Painting
- 1989 NEFA Fellowship in Painting
- 1988 Traveling Scholars Award, School of Museum of Fine Art, Boston MA
- 1987 Boit Award, School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA

#### **PUBLIC COMMISSIONS**

- 2022 Lantern Stories: San Francisco, permanent light installation, 600 Grant Avenue, San Francisco, CA, October 3 permanent
- 2022 Lantern Stories: Boston, light installation, Rose Kennedy Greenway Conservancy, Boston, MA, September 11 to November 15
- 2022 *The Poetry of Reason*, permanent wall sculpture, Tufts University Joyce Cummings Center, Medford, MA, August
- 2022 We Belong, LED light sculpture with by Now + There, East Boston Social Centers, Boston, MA, June November
- 2020 Lantern Stories, light installation with Rose Kennedy Greenway Conservancy at Chin Park, Boston September to November
- 2018 With/Out Water, 5 channel video projection, Boston MA (September 29, 2018), Union of Concerned Scientists
- 2016 *Terrain*, 11' x 38', permanent wall relief sculpture commissioned for the Chao Center, Harvard Business School, Cambridge MA
- 2016 Bursts and Whispers, site-specific 4 channel projection, dimensions variable, Weisman Art Museum, Minneapolis MN
- 2016 *Tempo Frieze,* site-specific single channel projection, dimensions variable, Weisman Art Museum, Minneapolis MN
- 2016 *Poem*, 10' HD video, 3 channel projection, commissioned work, West of Chestnut, Quincy MA
- 2010 *Odyssey,* 34" x 278", painting commissioned for Board of Directors Room, Fidelity Investments, Boston MA

## PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS: LECTURES/WEBINARS

- 2024 Yu-Wen Wu: The Culture Show, WGBH, January
- 2023 Studio Visit: Yu-Wen Wu | Institute of Contemporary Art/Boston, September
- 2023 Artists Voice: James and Audrey Foster Prize, Institute of Contemporary Art, October 17
- 2022 Mapping Stories, Godwin-Ternbach Museum, November 14
- 2022 SMFA Graduate Visiting Artist Talk, School of the Museum of Fine Arts at Tufts, November 8
- 2021 Voice of an Artist, Wellesley College, November 17
- 2021 The Space Within: Private and Public Narratives, Smith College, November 11
- 2021 In Conversation with Professor Anne Anlin Cheng, Sept 28
- 2021 How Art Can Confront Anti-Asian Sentiments; Pao Arts Center and Liberty Mutual May 17

- 2021 Core Two Storytime Series: Yu-Wen Wu, MIT Architecture April 6
- 2021 Through the Lens of Art: Building Bridges with Yu-Wen Wu, Weston Art and Innovation March 18
- 2021 Creativity at the Edge: Health, Music and Community; Harvard Arts Initiative Feb 25
- 2020 <u>The Light of Lantern Stories: Conversation with Yu-Wen Wu and Cynthia Yee</u>; Asian Studies and English Department, Northeastern University (November 20)
- 2020 <u>Lighting the Way: Exploring Lantern Stories in Boston's Chinatown</u>; Public Art Conversation with Lucas Cowan, Director and Curator of Public Art of the Rose Kennedy Greenway Conservancy (October 29)
- 2020 A TALE OF THREE CHINATOWNS:KEEPING OUR STORIES ALIVE WITH ART: BOSTON, NYC, DC, 1882 Foundation (DC) and Think!Chinatown (NY) October 18, 2020
- 2020 <u>Lantern Stories: From Community to Creation</u>; Public Art Conversation with the Rose Kennedy Greenway Conservancy (July 20)
- 2019 Yu-Wen Wu/Prilla Smith Brackett Award, Davis Art Museum, Wellesley College, Wellesley MA, Sept

#### **SELECTED PUBLIC COLLECTIONS**

Amon Carter Museum of American Art, Harvard Business School, Cambridge MA Fort Worth, TX Haslla Museum of Art, Gangneung, Korea Boston Public Library, Boston MA Institute of Contemporary Art Boston MA Dana Farber Institute, Boston MA Microsoft, Boston MA Millenium, Boston MA Danforth Museum, Framingham MA Davis Museum of Art, Wellesley MA State Street Bank, Boston MA Fidelity Investments, Boston MA Tufts University, Medford, MA Harvard Art Museums, Cambridge, MA Weisman Art Museum, Minneapolis, MN

## **SELECTED INTERVIEWS**

2023 Shi, Yutong, "Interview: Yu-Wen Wu by Yutong Shi Interdisciplinary work about time, transformation, and cultural identity", *Bomb Magazine*, December 13th, 2023

2023 Lorch, Dana, "The Immigrant Experience Is Central to Her Art Alumna Yu-Wen Wu's works embody conversations on migration and identity, longing and belonging", *Tufts Now*, May 19th, 2023

2020 Lindner, Gina, "The Communal Intimacy of Public Art: In Conversation with Yu-Wen Wu", *Boston Art Review,* Issue 05, June 2020

## **SELECTED REVIEWS**

Boston Globe: "At the ICA, A Vital View Into the Boston Art Scene" Murray Whyte, October 26, 2023 The Boston Globe, "The 2023 recipients of the ICA's James and Audrey Foster Prize have distinct, multidisciplinary practices," Abigail Lee, March 29, 2023

New York Magazine, "The Best New York Art Shows of 2022," Jerry Saltz, December 8, 2022

New York Magazine, "Yu-Wen Wu's Algorithmic Odyssey Around the World," Jerry Saltz, June 7, 2022

Arnet News, "Yu-Wen Wu Asked Google How to Walk From Boston to Taipei. She Spent the Next 10

Years Turning the Directions Into an Incredible Artwork," Sarah Cascone, May 6, 2022

ARTnews, "The Best Booths at Independent New York 2022, from Personal Abstraction to a Response to the Guston Controversy", Maximilíano Durón, May 5, 2022

The Boston Globe, Yu-Wen Wu navigates themes of immigration and identity in exhibit at Praise Shadows, Cate McQuaid, September 23, 2021

The Artery, The Lights Glow For Artist Yu-Wen Wu's 'Lantern Stories, Jacquinn Sinclair, November 11, 2020

The Boston Globe, Artist Lights up Chinatown with "a Wonderful Canopy' of Lanterns, Diti Kohli,, Boston MA September 22, 2020

Sampan, Beyond Neighborhoods and Generations: 'Lantern Stories' Continues illuminating Chinatown's Past, Present, and Future, Christina Mui,, Boston MA, November 6, 2020

Bay State Banner, 'Lantern Stories' brings Chinatown History to Light, Celina Colby,, Boston MA September 23, 2020

Sampan, Lantern Stories' Public Art Will Soon Illuminate Chinatown's Chin Park, Shira Laucharoen,, Boston MA, August 21, 2020

Boston Art Review, Issue 05, <u>The Communal Intimacy of Public Art: In Conversation with Yu-Wen Wu</u>, Gina Lindner, June 2020

ArtSake, What Do People Misunderstand about Your Art?, Mass Cultural Council, Dan Blask December 2019

Artery, In 'Leavings/Belongings,' Artist Yu-Wen Wu Explores Women's Stories of Displacement\_ Wbur; the ARTery; Pamela Reynolds June 2019

Art New England, Migration Made Visible at MECA, Katy Kelleher, November/December 2018 Portland Press Herald, See migration, its 'traces, tracks and pathways,' at MECA, Daniel Kany, December 9, 2018

The Boston Globe, In Maine Looking at Art and Migration, Cate Mcquaid, November 14, 2018 Sampan, Artist Yu-Wen Wu examines climate change in 'With/Out Water', Doris Chi, October18, 2018 ACDC Blog, Yu-Wen Wu's WITH/OUT WATER Installation Brings Interactive Art to Hudson Street (October 3, 2018)

Union of Concerned Scientists, Climate Change Connects with Fears of Displacement in Boston Art Installation, Audrey Eyring, November 2018

The Boston Globe, Resistant Currents,' at the Boston Center for the Arts, Looks at Immigration, Cate McQuaid, August 22, 2018

WBUR, Resistant Currents' At Boston Center For The Arts Explores The Ebb And Flow Of Migration, Pamela Reynolds July 27, 2018

Sculpture Magazine, Random Walks and Chance Encounters by Mason Riddle, July/August 2016 CBS Minnesota, Weisman Ponders the Magic of Clouds, Molly Rosenblatt, February 9, 2016 Star Tribune, Clouds Fill the Weisman in a Fun Show, Mary Abbe, February 16, 2016 The Boston Globe, "Motifs, Contradictions, Changed Orientations in Gallery Shows", Cate McQuaid, September 22, 2015

Art New England, "Yu-Wen Wu: Self-Similar", Anne Krinsky, December/January 2009-2010
The Boston Globe, "All Perspectives are Still Too Few; Exploring Paths to Knowing the World", Cate McQuaid, November 25, 2009; www.boston.com exhibitions in Boston
ArtsEditor, "Sequenced Chaos", David Formanek, October 12, 2009
Metrowest Daily News, "Wayland Artist's Work Sings", Chris Bergeron, October 8, 2009
www.metrowestdailynews.com Wayland Artists Work Sings
The Boston Globe, "A Mix of Meanings", Cate McQuaid, November 15, 2007
The Boston Globe Magazine, "Sight and Sound", Karen Campbell, April, 2006

Beacon Hill Times, "Yu-Wen Wu Meets the Mayor", George Schuster, December 21, 2004 The Boston Globe, "A Blank Slate", Cate McQuaid, May 21, 2004 The Boston Globe, "Works Celebrate Solace That Flows From Writing", Cate McQuaid, September 23, 1999

*The Boston Globe*, "Depth and Illusion: Varieties of Abstract Space", Cate McQuaid, October 29, 1998

Art New England, "Dialogues Past and Present", Susan Mulski, May/June 1999 The Boston Sunday Globe, "Artist's Abstracts Evoke Layers of Life", Marty Carlock, August 7, 1994