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Academic background

Feb 2020 - Jan 2021	Istituto Europeo di Design (IED): Masters in Arts Management	Florence and Roma, Italy
2010 - 2015	Fundação Getúlio Vargas (FGV): Bachelor of Business Administration in Sustainability	São Paulo, Brazil
Fall 2012	Vysoká Škola Ekonomická V Praze (VŠE): Study Abroad in the Economy School	Prague, Czech Republic

Exhibitions, residencies, and fellowships as an artist

Apr 2025	Hair Salon, Habibi Kiosk Presenting the performance, <i>Every Strand a Stream</i>	Munich, Germany
Apr 2025	Inferno, Alteos Gallery Presenting <i>Solace is a Weeping River</i>	Ostrava, Czech Republic
Dec 2024	Cairo Video Festival Presenting <i>Solace is a Weeping River</i>	Cairo, Egypt
May - Oct 2024	How do we TipToe into Evolution, Darb 1718, Medrar and Giza Zoo Research and residency on other-than-human evolution	Cairo, Egypt
July 2024	Festival Ecrã Presenting <i>Solace is a Weeping River</i>	Rio de Janeiro, Brasil
Mar 2024	Sobre Perecer, PF 2119 Presenting the solo show <i>Sobre Perecer</i> (On Perishing), on death and grief	Curitiba, Brasil
Mar 2024	p.ARTE, PF 2119 Performing <i>I could almost hear the church bells</i>	Curitiba, Brasil
Dec 2023	IAPAR Festival Performing <i>The Marriage of Convenience</i> with Sayli Kulkarni	Pune, India
Sep - Dec 2023	BorderLand Residencies 3-months residency to develop <i>Solace is a Weeping River</i>	Eupen, Belgium
July 2023	Wie wir trauern (Grief and collective mourning) Exhibiting <i>Palate Cruise</i> , video art, installation, and performance	Vienna, Austria
July 2023	Lalaland Festival Performing with the project <i>ClimateProv</i>	Amsterdam, Netherlands
March 2023	BeFantastic Festival Exhibiting <i>Asthir Gebrayee</i> , a submersive installation in collaboration with Sayli Kulkarni, David McFarlane, Jaime Jackson & Irini Kalaitzidi <i>ClimateProv</i> , improv performer, costume designer, and consultant curator.	Bangalore, India
May 2022 - Mar 2023	BeFantastic Within Fellow Fellowship about AI and performing arts, a 10-month program that culminates in BeFantastic Festival. The program is a collaboration between FutureEverything, Goethe Institute, British Council, and ProHelvetia.	Online
Nov 2022	Festival OVNi, Le Windsor Jungle Art Exhibiting <i>Je suis venue dire que je m'en vais</i> , mixed media installation	Nice, France
Nov 2022	Festival OVNi, Hangar Pellegrini Exhibiting <i>Mariage Blanc</i> , photo-performance, installation, and live performance	Nice, France
Dec 2022	REMOTO CONTROLE, Center of Art and Technology Performance together with Vinicius Couto	Zaragoza, Spain

Exhibitions, residencies, and fellowships as a curator

May - Aug 2025	Orientes (en)Trópicos, Kaaysá Arts Residency 3-month curatorial residency and a talk at Diáspora Gallery	Boiçucanga, Brasil
Feb 2025	Something Else Symposium Curated the show Brincadeira! together with Lambes Brasil. With chief curation by Simon Njami.	Cairo, Egypt
Sept 2024	ARD Meetings, ARD Talks on curation in collaboration with Farida Youssef	Cairo, Egypt
Dec 2023	KinoASYL Film Festival Curated the screening of <i>Lingua Franca</i> by Isabel Sandoval followed by a discussion	Munich, Germany
Nov 2023	Something Else III, OFF Cairo Biennale Curated the show Regenerate Response. With chief curation by Simon Njami.	Cairo, Egypt
Nov 2023 - May 2024	Rosa's Pills, Angelini Pharma Exhibition curator for the artworks of Enrico Rasse and Rosa Miranda	Rome, Italy
Apr 2023	Curating in times of AI, IED Istituto Europeo di Design Lecture on critical curating new media, AI artworks and debating database distribution	Florence, Italy
Jan 2023	Infinito a infinito, NexCoworking, Casa de Pedra Exhibition curator for a solo exhibition of the artist Manoel Doria	Curitiba, Brazil
Dec 2021 - Feb 2022	PROCURAR-SE, ETOPIA Center of Art and Technology 3-month residency and exhibition, based on HIV/AIDS and social stigma	Zaragoza, Spain
Dec 2020	ONJOY, carrozerie.not Curator of the one-day performance festival in collaboration with IED Rome	Rome, Italy
Jun 2020	at the edge of chaos, Manifattura Tabacchi and Palazzo Strozzi Curator of the online exhibition collaboration with IED Florence	Online and Florence, Italy
Dec 2019	I=I, MAM (SP) and Hélio Oiticica, Curator and of <i>I=I</i> performance of Vinicius Couto, a performance artist on HIV/AIDS	São Paulo and Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
Sept 2019	Gender Bender, Bangalore International Center Curation of the 5th edition of the Festival	Bangalore, India
Dec 2018	Something Else II, OFF Cairo Biennale Curator assistant of Simon Njami	Cairo, Egypt

Manager, producer, and featured artist

Nov 2025	Waste Warriors workshop with Jakob Buczyński Fashion upcycling workshop	Dehradun, India
Dec 2024 - present	Art Meets Earth, Art Meets People Worldwide Coordinator of Art Meets Earth program	Worldwide
Aug - Oct 2023	PROCURAR-SE, Casa Independente Residency Producer	Lisboa, Portugal
May - Aug 2023	Rosa's Pills, a book by Enrico Rasse, Editor Text editor on the photo performance book. Artwork by Rosa Miranda.	Milan, Italy
Jun 2023	Traveling Hands, a film by Lene Markusen, Performer Performer in the artists' film that focuses on female diaspora workers.	Ålbæk, Denmark and Hamburg, Germany

Nov 2022 and April 2022	Traveling Hands, a film by Lene Markusen , Performer Two-week resident at Villa Romana Prize for developing ideas and characters for the film.	Florence, Italy
July 2022	Line Producer for <i>At Home with Gils</i>, a series about Gilberto Gil by Amazon Production for 20 crew members and 30 talent members of Gil's final tour in the South of France	Nice, France
Mar 2022	Tectonic Shifts, by Moataz Nasr , Assistant Artist assistant for the solo show of Moataz Nasr for Galleria Continua	San Gimignano, Italy
Sept 2021- Oct 2021	The Farm after the Feminist Ecological Revolution, a film by Lene Markusen , Performer Performer on the artists' film on the feminist and agricultural revolution. Exhibited at HKW Berlin.	Florence, Italy
May 2021- June 2021	Revolutionary Women: Ella, a film by Lene Markusen , Performer Performer in the artists' film that narrates the Lithuanian-German migration story of the 81-year-old protagonist Ella. The film was exhibited at Kunstverein Braunschweig in 2022.	Florence, Italy
Jun 2021 – Jul 2021	Lucciole (fireflies), a film by Pauline Curnier Jardin , Producer Researcher, producer, and 1st assistant of <i>Lucciole</i> , an art film that was developed together with the sex workers from the <i>Feel Good Cooperative</i> in Rome.	Rome, Italy
Fev 2021 – May 2021	Villa Romana , Researcher and Producer Researcher for www.brokenarchive.org ; Producer and social media for African Diaspora Film Festival	Florence, Italy
Dec 2020	OBDK , volunteer in strategic development OBDK is an activist organization that aims to create a more equal and democratic art world.	Online
Apr - Aug 2019	Chill Panther , art direction and costumes Freelance art and costumes director. Participated in 2 projects for Jhaatka and Dunzo	Bangalore, India
Fev 2019 - Mar 2021	Sereianos – Carnaval Parade , Project Manager Coordination of 10 team members to ensure everyone's duties are done during the event Liaison with the performers, sponsors, and media (TV, radio, internet) Follow up on the agenda of the event	São Paulo, Brazil
Aug 2018 - Dec 2018	Darb 1718 Egyptian Contemporary Art and Culture Center , Project Manager Manage the <i>Something Else II – OFF Cairo Biennale</i> one-month event consisting of art exhibitions and art performances by over 100 local and international artists with around 4000 attendees; Artwork logistics and art liaison; Led a team of 5 staff members and 20 volunteers; Fundraiser and sponsors in charge, securing a total of 4 sponsors and 10 partners for the event; Designed and coordinated the Biennale program and agenda. Nun Center , Integral Yoga Therapist One-on-one yoga therapy for patients	Cairo, Egypt Cairo, Egypt
May - Aug 2017	Come Reza Yoga , Yoga Asana and Pranayama Teacher Teacher of yoga asana and pranayama and treat patients using one-on-one yoga therapy; Organize the center activities agenda	Kuching, Malaysia
Oct 2015 - June 2016	Darb 1718 Egyptian Contemporary Art and Culture Center Workshops and School Trips Manager; Cinema program curator along with international Embassies; Inhouse Yoga teacher; Assistant Curator of <i>Log in</i> , an exhibition about social media.	Cairo, Egypt
March - July 2015	Mendes Wood DM Art Gallery , Management and Executive Assistant Trainee Directly assisted the gallery owners; Artist liaison; and organized opening events for exhibitions with roughly 100 attendees	São Paulo, Brazil
Jan - Feb 2012	Darb 1718 Egyptian Contemporary Art and Culture Center , Marketing Trainee Marketing planner, content creator for social media, and film screening curator	Cairo, Egypt
2010 - 2011	AIESEC at Fundação Getúlio Vargas (FGV) Outgoing Exchange Member and Organizing Committee Leader; Recruited and interviewed over 70 exchange participants to work on developmental projects abroad; Led a committee to organize an all-members retreat	São Paulo, Brazil

Extracurricular Activities and Courses

July 2015	IBRATA – Ayurvedic Medicine : Foot Reflexology course	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
March - May 2015	Museum of Modern Arts (MAM) : Theory and Practice of Performance course	São Paulo, Brazil

March - April 2015	Fundação Getúlio Vargas (FGV): Art Market and Arts in Latin America courses	São Paulo, Brazil
Aug - Dec 2014	Museum of Modern Arts (MAM): Islamic Art course	São Paulo, Brazil
Feb - Nov 2013	Cia das Artes: Training course for actors, with an emphasis on theatre	São Paulo, Brazil
Aug - Dec 2012	São Paulo Museum of Art (MASP): Modern Art course	São Paulo, Brazil
March - June 2012	Museum of Modern Arts (MAM): Contemporary Art course	São Paulo, Brazil
Sept - Nov 2011	AIC International Academy of Cinema: World History of Cinema course	São Paulo, Brazil
Feb - Nov 2011	Fundação Getúlio Vargas (FGV): Sociology monitor	São Paulo, Brazil
Jan - Feb 2011	Don Quijote Barcelona – Escuela de Español: Spanish and culture courses	Barcelona, Spain
Dec 2008 - Feb 2009	English Language Centers (ELS): English and culture courses	Los Angeles, USA

Skills and Interests

Languages: Portuguese (native), English (fluent), Italian (fluent), French (fluent), Spanish (fluent), Arabic (basic), German (basic)

Interests: arts, curation, event management, yoga, therapy, education, social services, hospitality

Spiritual Experiences and Yoga

April and Nov 2025	Sadhana Mandir 1 month stay in Sadhana Mandir Ashram of Swami Rama for personal sadhana	Rishikesh, India
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Mar 2023	Sadhana Mandir 1 month stay in Sadhana Mandir Ashram of Swami Rama for personal sadhana	Rishikesh, India
Mar 2019 and Sept 2019	Sadhana Mandir 1 month stay in Sadhana Mandir Ashram of Swami Rama for personal sadhana	Rishikesh, India
Mar 2018	Sadhana Mandir 1-month stay in Sadhana Mandir Ashram of Swami Rama for personal sadhana and participation in the Self-Transformation Program	Rishikesh, India
Aug 2017 - Feb 2018	Bihar School of Yoga: 4 months Yogic Studies in Karma, Bhakti and Hatha Yoga	Bihar, India
May - Aug 2017	Come Reza Yoga Hatha, Restorative, Ashtanga, Pre-natal, and Pranayama yoga teacher. Yoga therapist for one-on-one sessions.	Borneo, Malaysia
Feb 2017	Mysore Kendra School: 15 days course on Hatha Yoga certified Level 1	Rishikesh, India
Feb - April 2017	Sadhana Mandir 2 months stay in Sadhana Mandir Ashram of Swami Rama for personal sadhana and the following courses: Practices for the subtle body, meditation and its practice, self-transformation program	Rishikesh, India
Aug 2016	Vipassana: 10-day course on Vipassana retreat	São Paulo, Brazil
July 2016	Atman Amara: Reiki course levels 1, 2 and 3 in Atman Amara	Florianopolis, Brazil
Oct 2015 - June 2016	Darb 1718: 8 months Hatha Yoga instructor at Darb 1718 in Cairo - Egypt	Cairo, Egypt
Oct 2016 - Feb 2017	Yoga Institute Mumbai 900 hours (3 months) Yoga Training Teaching certified by QCI (Quality Council of India) Level 2	Mumbai, India
Feb 2015	Vipassana: 10-day course on Vipassana retreat	São Paulo, Brazil
May 2015	Psicoterapia do Encantamento: Tarot Reading course on Psicoterapia do Encantamento	São Paulo, Brazil
June 2015	Psicoterapia do Encantamento: Ayahuasca initiation on Psicoterapia do Encantamento	São Paulo, Brazil
2015	ShivaPoint: Yoga regular practicer at ShivaPoint	São Paulo, Brazil
2015	ShivaPoint: Substitute Yoga instructor at ShivaPoint	São Paulo, Brazil
April 2014	Hariharalaya Retreat: 21-day stay and Yoga practicing at Hariharalaya retreat	Siem Reap, Cambodia
2013	ShivaPoint: Yoga regular practicer at ShivaPoint	São Paulo, Brazil