SOFYA MIRVIS – CURRICULUM VITAE

BIO

Sofya Mirvis was born in Moscow, Russia and grew up in Los Angeles, CA. She holds a Bachelor of Fine Arts from Tyler School of Art and Architecture and a Master of Fine Arts from the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts. Her work explores folklore, natural phenomena and cultural narratives by merging collage, painting and mixed media. Sofya's multi-layered artworks are found in a multitude of private collections and have been exhibited nationally and internationally. She is the recipient of the Drawn at PAFA First Place Award, Best New Artist Award at 532 Gallery NYC, and the Manayunk Art Center Juried Exhibition Award. Her work has been included in numerous publications including Gallery and Studio, DC Modern Luxury, and Certain Circuits. She has been an instructor at Notre Dame of Maryland University, Blue Tree Program at Bryn Mawr College, and Oasis Art Center. Sofya lives and works in Philadelphia and plays an active role in Philadelphia arts initiatives and community programming.

EDUCATION

2012 MFA Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts 2005 BFA Tyler School of Art of Temple University

SOLO AND TWO-PERSON EXHIBITIONS

2019 Shifting Vistas, Solo Exhibition, High 5 Gallery, Philadelphia, PA

2018 Paranorms, Solo Exhibition, High 5 Gallery, Philadelphia, PA

2017 Surreal Narratives, two-person exhibition at Manayunk Art Center, Philadelphia, PA

2016 Conjure, a two-person exhibition with Jason Lee Starin, Kitchen Table Gallery, Philadelphia PA

2016 Cuts and Spills, Solo Exhibition. The Random Tea Room and Curiosity Shop, Philadelphia, PA

2014 Image Mixtures, Solo Exhibition. Jed Williams Gallery, Philadelphia, PA

2013 New Works in Painting, Sofya Mirvis and Alexa De Los Reyes, Seeds Gallery, Philadelphia, PA

2006 Jeff Boris and Sofya Mirvis, MAC Gallery, Scranton, PA

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2022 This Woman's Work, The Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts Museum Alumni Gallery

2022 Audacity, Roaring Artist Gallery, Houston, TX (online)

2021 Art for Life Chicago Exhibition and Art Auction, Chicago, IL

2020 Art Queens Inaugural Exhibition curated by Ekaterina Popova and Alicia Puig of Create Magazine

2018 Spring Exhibition, Jed Williams Gallery

2017 Resistance, High 5 Gallery, Philadelphia, PA

2016 Annual Juried Exhibition, 3rd Place Prizewinner, Manayunk-Roxborough Art Center, Philadelphia PA

2016 Killing the Cure, The Random Tea Room and Curiosity Shop, Philadelphia PA

2015 ADA Pop-Up Show: East meets West, Tattooed Mom's, Philadelphia, PA

2015 ADA @ the Loin, The Loin, San Francisco, CA

2014 Snowflake Invitational, Heavy Bubble HQ, Philadelphia, PA

2014 Holiday Group Exhibition, JAM Gallery, Malvern, PA

2013 FEAST, Alumni Gallery, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA

2013 Philly Found NYC, Seeds Gallery, Brooklyn NY

2012 Never Ever Art Market, Little Berlin Gallery, Philadelphia, PA

2012 Neighborhood Transformation Project, Flying Kite on the Ground, Philadelphia, sponsored by Knight Foundation

2012 23rd Juried Drawing Competition, Notre Dame of Maryland University, Baltimore, MD

- 2011 Out In Out, curated by Paul Hamanaka for MBN Studios, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2011 Gallery 128, Museum of the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA
- 2011 Enchanted Dwellings, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2010 Drawn at PAFA, Chestnut Hill Academy, Philadelphia PA.
- 2009 Women's Work, AXD Gallery, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2008 Life and Planet, 532 Gallery, New York, NY.
- 2007 Spirits, Russian Cultural Center at the Embassy, Washington DC
- 2005 Evoke, Riverside Art Center, Chicago, II.
- 2005 Atlanta Juried Drawing Competition, The Grandview, Atlanta, GA
- 2004 Painting Studio Residency Exhibition, Tyler School of Art, Rome, Italy

PUBLICATIONS

- 2022 Clover and Bee Magazine, Artist Feature
- 2018 Philadelphia ArtBlog, Artist Feature
- 2014 PaperClips215: A Philadelphia Arts and Culture Blog
- 2014 Manufactured Dissent: Featured Artist
- 2013 Certain Circuits, Spring Issue
- 2012 WXPN 10 Great Album Covers of 2012
- 2008 DC Modern Luxury, Washington DC
- 2006 Gallery & Studio, New York, NY

AWARDS AND RESIDENCIES

- 2016 Prizewinner, Manayunk-Roxborough Art Center Juried Art Exhibition
- 2015 Art4Moore Grant for organizing a community art project for individuals in recovery
- 2011 Drawn at PAFA At Chestnut Hill Academy, awarded First Place in Drawing.
- 2008 Life and Planet Exhibition, 532 Gallery, New York: Best New Artist 2003-2004 Tyler
- School of Art -Temple Rome Painting Residency, Rome, Italy

TEACHING

- 2022 Collage Night @ Upstairs at Abyssinia, Philadelphia, PA
- 2019 Impressionism in Art and Music: Artist Lecture for Nelly Berman School of Music, Barnes Art Museum, Philadelphia
- 2016 Tea Stain and Collage Community Art Workshop, part of Cuts and Spills Exhibition, Random Tea Room, Philadelphia
- 2014-16 TECH Center, Resources for Human Development, Bryn Mawr, PA
- 2013-16 Oasis Art Center, Philadelphia, PA
- 2012-13 Visiting Professor of Drawing and Painting, Notre Dame of Maryland University, Baltimore, MD
- 2010-12 Graduate Teaching Assistant: Graduate Drawing, Materials and Techniques, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts
- 2010-13 Summer Workshop Instructor Blue Tree Program at Bryn Mawr College, Bryn Mawr, PA
- 2013-14 West Philadelphia Art Studio, founder and Instructor, Philadelphia, PA