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Performance Artist
Born in Bogotá, Colombia, 1973
Higher Academy of Arts of Bogotá with emphasis in performance
Previously trained in contemporary dance

EXHIBITIONS/TALKS/WORKSHOPS

2026
(Group). Irruptions. CASA HOFFMAN. Bogota. Colombia
(Solo). Sediment I. BANCOLOMBIA COLLECTION. Bogotá, Colombia
(Upcoming group exhibition). Gaps. MUSEO TAPIES-LA CALDERA. Barcelona. Spain
(Research project). LOS ANDES UNIVERSITY-Art History Faculty. Bogotá, Colombia.

2024-2025
(Biennial). El Árbol De La Vida. PAIZ ART BIENNIAL. Ciudad de Guatemala. Guatemala
(Talk). Mystery School of Choreography. FORUM DANZA. Lisboa, Portugal.
(Performance). Moving With Rocks. LASA 2025. San Francisco, US
(Art Fair). Rolf Art. ARCO 2025. Madrid.Spain
(Seminar) . All Possible Forests. Princeton University. New Jersey.US
(Fellowship). Visiting Scholar at TISH UNIVERSITY/ Performance Studies. New York. US
(Fellowship). DAAD Fellowship. Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst. Berlin. Germany
Performance Biennial Of Argentina. MALBA (Museo de Arte Latinoamericano de Buenos Aires) NOS ENVERA. Buenos Aires. Argentina
(Group). Torget: The Power Of Places. ARKDES. Stockholm. Sweden
(Solo Exhibition) The Body As Archive. ROLF ART. Buenos Aires. Argentina
(Group) Song For Many Movements. MACBA BARCELONA. Barcelona. Spain

2022-23
(Group Show) Viceversa. MUSEUM OF MODERN ART OF BOGOTA. Bogota. Colombia
(Group Show) The Good Life. MUSEUM OF MODERN ART OF MEDELLIN. Medellin. Colombia
(Commission) Together But Silent. MACBA BARCELONA IN COLLABORATION WITH GRANER. Barcelona.España / MUSEUM OF MODERN ART OF MEDELLIN
(Group). The Power Of Places. ARKDES. Malmö. Sweden.
(Group show) Trajectories of a Landscape. ZERO POINT. Berlin. Alemania
(Art Fair). Meridians Sector. ART BASEL MIAMI BEACH. Miami.USA
(Solo Project) Re-forestation. Ongoing research on how to reforest bodies. FUNDACIÓN MAGDALENA. San Jose Del Guaviare.Colombia
(Group Show) You owe Me One. PROMETEO GALLERY. Milan.Italy

2020-2021
(Solo exhibition) As it is inside- So It Is Outside. NC ARTE. Bogota. Colombia
Experiment 1. INTERNATIONAL DANCE BIENNIAL OF CALI. Cali. Colombia
(Group Show) Rethink Everything Again . ROLF ART. Buenos Aires. Argentina / ARLES LES RECONTRES DE LA PHOTOGRAPHIE. Arles. France
Viewing Room. BARBARA THUMM GALLERY. Berlin. Germany
(Group show) Walk With Me. MUSEUM OF MODERN ART OF BOGOTA. Bogota. Colombia

2019
Artistic Director Of Amazonas. FLORA ARS+NATURA. Bogota.Colombia
(Group show) Colombian Art From the 21st Century.MUSEUM OF MODERN ART OF MEDELLIN. Medellin. Colombia
(Group show) Here And Now. Current Visions From Colombia. FREMER FRAMED AND BDH. Amsterdam. Netherlands
Tanz Kongress 2019. Dresden. Germany

2018
(Retrospective) To Be Known As Infinite. MUSEUM OF MODERN ART OF BOGOTA. Bogota Colombia
(Group show) Living Together. MUSEUM OF ART AND DESIGN. Miami. US
(Group show) Acts Of Magic. VILLA ROT MUSEUM. Burgrieden. Germany

2017
(Group show) Medellin: A Colombian Story. LES ABATTOIRS. Toulouse. France
(Group Show) Drummer. THESSALONIKI BIENNALE. Thessaloniki. Greece
(Group show) Liberte. PARADES FOR FIAC/LOUVRE AUDITORIUM & LE GENERATEUR. Paris. France
(Solo Exhibition) Practice. MET MUSEUM. Manila. Philippines
(Group Show) Not everything is so fragile. GALPAO MUNGUNZA. Sao Pablo. Brazil
The frequencies I am made of. INTERNATIONAL DANCE BIENNALE. Cali. Colombia
Awarded with the 2017 creative grant from the Minister Of Culture Of Colombia
(Art Fair) Archive. ARTBO. Bogota. Colombia

2016
(Group show) In/Perceptible. BARBARA THUMM GALLERY. Berlin. Germany
(Solo exhibition) You Are Splendid. KUNSTHALLE OSNABRUCK C-CAP. Osnabruk. Germany
(Group Exhibition)Lara Art Project.CENTRO DE ARTE CONTEMPORANEO DE QUITO. Quito. Ecuador
(Award) Lifeline. Long durational performance. LARA ART PRICE. 2016. Quito.Ecuador.
(Festival) Militant Nostalgia. NUIT BLANCHE TORONTO. Toronto. Canada
(Group show) Bird Cage. MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY ART. Zagreb. Croatia
(Solo exhibition) Maria Jose Arjona. VIDEO INSIGHT COLLECTION. Torino. Italy

(Talk) C-Map. MUSEUM OF MODERN ART. New York. US

2015
(Group show) Like Fireflies. MUSEUM OF MODERN AND CONTEMPORARY ART. Rijeka. Croatia
(Group show) Auto-Body. FAENA ART CENTER. Buenos Aires. Argentina
(Group show) Young Collections 02. WESEMBURG MUSEUM. Bremen. Germany.
(Group show) What Kind Of A Celebration. KUNSTHALLE OSNABRUK. Osnabruk. Germnay.
(Solo Exhibition) Construction De Un Tiempo. CAIXA FORUM. Madrid. España
(Solo exhibition) Avistamiento. FLORA ARS+NATURA. Bogota. Colombia

2014
(Group show) Four Legged Animal. MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS (MFA). Boston. US
(Solo Exhibition) Agent. Encoding. Flow. PROMETEO GALLERY. Milan. Italy
(Art Fair) Tiempo Medio. ARMORY SHOW. New York.US
(Group show) Humans. FLORA ARS+NATURA. Bogota. Colombia

2013
(Group Show) Do It. MANCHESTER GALLERIES. Manchester. UK
(Group show) Tiempo Medio. 43 NATIONAL SALON OF COLOMBIA. Medellin. Colombia.
(Solo Exhibition) Pero Soy El Tigre. MOR CHAPRPENTIER & NC ARTE. Bogota. Colombia
(Group show) Irregular Hexagon. FUNDACION GILBERTO ALZATE AVENDAÑO. Bogota. Colombia
(Group Show) Four Legged Animal. KREDI ART CENTER. Istabul

2012
(Solo exhibition) The Kiss, LOCATION ONE. New York. US
(Group show) New Acquisitions. MUSEO DEL BANCO DE LA REPUBLICA. Bogota. Colomba
Eros And Thanatos. SCHEUBLEIN FINE ARTS. Zurich. Switzerland
All The Others In Me. MARRAKECH BIENNALE. Marrakech. Morocco.
(Group show) Irregular Hexagon. JCVA JERUSALEM & BAAD GALLERY, BEZALEL ACADEMY. Tel Aviv. Israel
72-13 THEATRE WORKS. Singapore. Singapore

2011
Right At The Center There Is Silence. QUADRILATERAL BIENNIAL OF CROATIA. MUSEUM OF MODERN AND CONTEMPORARY ART OF RIJEKA. Rijeka. Croatia.
(Solo exhibition) Vires. NC ARTE. Bogota. Colombia
(Group show) Situation 2. MUSEO DEL BANCO DE LA REPUBLICA. Bogota. Colombia.
(Group show) Situation 1. BALLROOM MARFA. New York.US
(Solo exhibition) Habito. MUSO ANATOMICO DE BOLOGNA-ART FIRST. Bologna. Italy
(Group show) Camine Despacio. MUSEO DEL BANCO DE LA REPUBLICA. Bogota. Colombia
(Group show) Transcription-Infusion-Memory. NEW MUSEUM AND NLE. New York. US

(Talk) Transcription-Infusion-Memory. ABRAMOVIC INSTITUTE. New York. US

2010
(Solo Echibition). Post-affirmations.VOLTA NY. New York. US
(Group show) Retorno. GALERIA ALCUADRADO. Bogota. Colombia
(Performer) The Artist Is Present. MUSEUM OF MODERN ART/MOMA. New York. US
(Group show) Vires. MADRE MUSEUM, TEATRO ANATOMICO DE BOLOGNA, HILGER CONTEMPORARY. Naples and Bologna. Italy
(Group show) New work. MIAMI ART MUSEUM. Miami. US
(Group show) On The Power Of Images. BROT KUNSTHALLE & HILGER CONTEMPORARY. Vienna. Austria

2009
(Group show) Lineamentum. GALERIA ALCUADRADO. Bogota. Colombia
(Group show) In Transit. HAUS DER KULTUREN DER WELT. Berlin. Germany
(Group show) Constellations. WATERMILL CENTER. New York. US
(Group show) Performance Studies: A Selection Of Recent Performative Works. WATERMILL BROOKLYN GALLERY. New York. US

2008
(Solo Exhibition) The White Series. DIET GALLERY. Miami. US
(Triennial) History. 3RD GUANGZHOU TRIENNALE. Guangzhou. China
(Group show) Retrono. AL CUADRADO. Bogota. Colombia

2007
(Group Exhibition). Construction Of Time. CONTEMPORARY ART CENTER/LIA BERMUDEZ. Maracaibo. Venezuela
(Group Exhibition) Particulars. GALLERY DIET. Miami.US

2006
(Group Exhibition) Vivo. ARCO MADRID. Madrid. Spain
(Group Show) Influenced Identity.Summer Show. BERNICE STEINBAUM GALLERY. Miami. US

2005
(Group Exhibition) Trading Water. BALLROOM MARFA. Marfa.US
(Group Exhibition) Vivo. GALLERY SE. Bergen.Norway
(Group Exhibition) Flight. MIAMI LIGHT PROJECT. Miami.US
(Group Exhibition) Oil Based Media. BERNICE STEINBAUM GALLERY. Miami.US
(Group Exhibition) Body Over Water. FROST Museum. Miami.US
(Group Exhibition) Time. DAMIEN B CONTEMPORARY ART CENTER. Miami. US
(Grou Exhibition) Quid Pro Quo. ART CENTER/SOUTH FLORIDA. Maimi. US

2004

(Group Exhibition) Don't Call It Performance. MUSEO DEL BARRIO. New York.
(Festival) Performagia. MUSEO DEL CHOPO. Mexico DF. Mexico
(Group Exhibition) Performance sketches. DORSCH GALLERY. Miami. US
(Group Exhibition) A thousand Beautiful Things. DAMIEN B. Miami. US

2003
(Solo Exhibition) Winged. BASS MUSUEM OF ART. Miami. US
(Solo Exhibition) Vault. BALLROOM MARFA. Marfa. US
(Art Fair) Corn Mantra. ARTE AMERICAS. Miami. US
(Group Exhibition) Summer Sculpture Show. DROSCH GALLERY. Miami. US

2002
(Festival) 3rd National Performance festival. Cali. Colombia
(Group Exhibition) Crow-Condor Project. MUSEO LA TERTULIA. Cali. Colombia
(Group Exhibition) No Show. FRED SNITZER GALLERY. Miami. US

2001
(Group Exhibition) I Bring The Ocean. BASS MUSUEM. Miami. US
(Group Exhibition) I bring The Ocean. EXIT ART. Miami and New York. US
(Group Exhibition) Nomad Territory. DORSCH GALLERY. Miami. US

2000
(Group Exhibition) Actos De Fabulación / Pentagon Project. MINISTRY OF CULTURE OF COLOMBIA/ MUSUEM OF CONTEMPORARY ART OF SANTA MARTA. Santa Marta. Colombia
(Group Exhibition) Mirror, Mirror, On The Wall. VALENZUELA & KLENNER GALLERY. Bogota. Colombia

1998
(Group Exhibition) Capacity Of Absorption. HIGHER ACADEMY OF THE ARTS OF BOGOTA. Bogota. Colombia.
(Group Exhibition) Fluid. FUNDACIÓN GILBERTO ALZATE AVENDAÑO. Bogota. Colombia.
(Group Exhibition) Ocean. UNI-ANDES. Bogota. Colombia
(Group Exhibition) Anamórficas. FUNDACIÓN GILBERTO ALZATE AVENDAÑO.

WORKSHOPS/TALKS

2025. (Talk) Sediments | Sono - choreo - geo - graphic attunements. DAAD Gallerie. Berlin. Germany.
2025. (Talk). Re-visiting works. Maria Jose Arjona. Banco de La Republica. Neiva. Colombia.
2024. (Seminar) Gender & Emancipation. LASA 2024 (Latin American Studies Association). Bogota.Colombia
2024. (Talk). The Body As Archive: Other Possible Forests. MALBA. Buenos Aires. Argentina
2024. (Talk) Other Possible forests. Maria Jose Arjona in Conversation with Andre Lepecki. New York University. New York.USA
2022.(Workshop) Oracular Movements. NC Arte. Bogota.Colombia
2021. As it is inside, so outside. In Conversation with Andre Lepecki. Nc Arte. Bogota.Colombia
2020. (Conference) Anticipatory Structures. Southern Mountain-VI International Congress. Banco De La Republica. Armenia/ Colombia.
2019 Artistic Director. Amazonas at Flora Ars+Natura. Bogota-Colombia
2019. (Seminar) Museum Of Modern Art Of Barranquilla. Barranquilla-Colombia
2018. (Workshop) NC LAB. Bogota/Colombia.
2018. (Seminar) The Body As Translator. Flora Ars+Natura. Bogota-Colombia
2018. (Poetry reading). Poetic Cabaret. Museum Of Modern Of Bogota. Bogota-Colombia
2017. (Talk and Workshop) Universidad De Antioquia. Medellin-Colombia
2017. (Talk) Body Of Work. University Of Baguio. Baguio-Philippines.
2017. (Talk and Workshop) Cátedra Nómada. Instituto Tecnológico Metropolitano. Medellin-Colombia
2017. The Body And The Poetics Of Space. MUSEO DEL BANCO DE LA REPUBLICA. Cali, Colombia
2016. (Talk) C-Map. Museum Of Modern Art. New York/USA.
2015. (Curator for performance section). Marker at Art Dubai. Dubai-AE.
2015. (Workshop). Obra Viva. Banco De La Republica. Cartagena and Armenia-Colombia
2014. (Talk). Nature and The Body. Flora Ars + Natura. Bogota-Colombia.
2014 (Workshop) NC Lab. NC ARTE. Bogota. Colombia
2012. (Residency) Location One. New York-USA.
2011. (Talk) Transcription/Infusion/Memory. Abramovic Studio At Location One. New York/USA
2011. (Simposium) Vires. NC Arte. Bogota-Colombia

RECIDENCIES

2022. (Residency) Zero point. Berlin.Germany
2017. (Residency and Talk). Metropolitan Museum Of Manila. Manila-Philippines
2016. (Residency) LARA 2016. Galapagos/ Ecuador.
2011. (Residency) LOCATION ONE. New York/USA
2009. (Residency) Watermill Center. New York/USA
2009. (Workshop-Residency) Cleaning the House. Marina Abramovic. New York/USA

1999. (Residency) Ex-teresa/Bogota. Bogota. Colombia

PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

TBA 21 Thyssen-Bornemisza. España
MOCA. Museum of Contemporary art Los Angeles. US
BASS MUSEUM. US
MIAMI ART MUSUEM. US
CIFO. Miami. US
MUDAM MUSUEM. Luxembourg.
MUSEO DEL BANCO DE LA REPUBLICA. Colombia
MUSEUM OF MODERN ART OF BOGOTA. Colombia
CASTELLO DI RIVOLLI. Italy
MADRE MUSEUM. Italy