

## Curriculum Vitae

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### Education

- Master in Museums; Iberoamericana University, Mexico City.1992-94
- Post-Graduate in Contemporary Textile Art; Wladyslaw Strzeminski Academi of Fine Arts, Lodz, Poland.1989-91
- Diploma. History of Art. Centro de Artes SIAC. AC. Mexico City. 1988
- Bachelors of Art in Graphic Design; Anahuac University, Mexico City.1984-88

### Specialty Courses (Selected)

- Traditional Weaving on Counter Balance Looms; Instituto Allende de Cultura. Guanajuato, México.1987
- Processes of Natural and Synthetic Dyes. Prof. Ana Roquero; México City.1996
- Nature in the Creative Process; Prof. Ewa Latkowska-Zychska, Mexico City.1994
- Creativity Explorations; Prof. Catherine Faulds. Historical Garment Museum, Mexico City. 1994
- Art in the Upper Middle Ages. Anahuac University, Mexico City. 1993
- Pattern Design and Transformations; Instituto Tecnológico de la Moda y Textiles. A. C., Mexico City.1988-89
- Asian Dying Techniques; Batik-Plangi-Tie-Dye; Prof. Nihren Baht. Mexico City. 1988-89

### Solo Exhibitions (Selected)

2013 Form and Surface: Lee Chin Gallery.	Burlington Art Centre, ON
Featured Artist. Gallery Lion Brand Yarn,	NY.USA. 2012
2011 Textures from the Forest. Burlington Art Centre. F.R.Perry Gallery.	Burlington, ON
<b>1979 -2003</b> Fibre Art: The Art of Tapestry. ISTHMUS School of Design and Architecture.	Panama City.
Harmony in the Shape. Culture House Reyes Heroles.	Mexico City.
Contemporary Fibre Art. Hall I, UNESCO Building.	Paris, France.
Mexico en Polonia. Szkoła Sztuk Plasticznych,	Lodz, Poland.
Pre-Colombian Art in Batik. Dom Kultury,	Lodz, Poland.
Ixchel: Fibre Art. Colegio de Contadores Públicos de México,	México City.
Ixchel: Colour in Time. Mezzanine. Executive Building, PEMEX.	Mexico City.
Ixchel and her Tapestries. Touring Exhibition.	Mexico.
To the Beat of the Loom. Culture House,	Mexico City.
Painting Exhibition. Culture House.	Mexico City

### Group Exhibitions (Selected)

- 2020-21 TTI Interface Tapestry Exhibition UK,Scotland and Canada. Travelling Exhibit.  
Craft Council of BC, Granville Island/Riversley Gallery
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- 2019 Woven By Hand: Contemporary Canadian Tapestries  
La Magie des fils : tapisseries canadiennes contemporaines, Maison Du Citoyen, Gatineau, QB.
- 2019 International Large Scale Tapestry Exhibit. Oakville, ON
- 2019 American Tapestry Alliance. International Exhibit. Travelling Exhibit. USA
- 2017 ART VISIONS Exposition Internationale D'art contemporain at Cours Des Arts in Brunstatt, France
- 2015 Exhibit: TEXTILE ICONS AND THE NEW EDGE.One year Travelling exhibit through 18 Museums in USA, starting  
Muskegon Museum of Art, San Francisco, Chicago, Michigan.
- 2013 Triennial of Contemporary Textile Art in Lodz, Textile Museum of Kamienna Gora. Poland
- 2013 Moon Rain Centre Outaouais. When Thirteen Moons Entwine, Gatineau, QB
- 2012 World of Threads Festival: Quiet Zone @ QEP CCC/De Rerum Nature @ Joshua Creek Heritage Art  
Centre/Memento Mori @ The Gallery in Sheridan College.

- 2012 Mississippi Valley Textile Museum, Almonte, ON
- 2011 Commerce and Tourism Summit, Hamilton Place, ON  
Arts in the Square, Closing ceremony. Oakville, ON. 2011  
Encounter Mexico-Canada: Contemporary Textile Art. Anahuac University, Mexico City. 2011
- 2010 Newcomers Art Exhibit. Town Hall, Oakville, ON.  
Tapestry and Painting. Visual Arts Mississauga. ON.  
200 Anniversary of Mexican Independence. Mexican Consulate in Ottawa, ON  
Illuminated Threads. Tapestry Exhibition. City Hall, Poltimore, QC.  
When Thirteen Moons Entwine. International  
Textile Encounter. Gatineau, QC.  
Hanna McLeod Offices, Oakville, ON
- 2009 Art Works Oakville, Halton Regional Offices. Oakville, ON  
**World of Threads Festival.** International Textile Forum. Oakville, ON.  
Common Thread. Towne Square Gallery, Oakville, ON  
Guided Threads. Oakville Town Hall, ON  
Nine Lives National Exhibition. Timothy's Coffee Shop. Oakville, ON.  
Threads that Bind. Sheridan College. Oakville, ON.  
The Salon of the Common Thread. Hanna McLeod Building. Oakville, ON.  
Kaleidoscope. Royal LePage Offices, Oakville, ON.  
Town Square Gallery Exhibition. Oakville, ON.
- 2008 UNAM Gallery. Gatineau, QC.
- 2007 Tapestry Exhibition. Harmony Group. Gloucester Gallery, Ottawa, ON.  
**World of Threads Festival.** Sheridan College, Oakville, ON.
- 2006 Art Works Oakville. ON. 2000
- 2005 Art at the University. Universidad Anahuac. Mexico City.
- 1996 Hidden Universe. Universidad Iberoamericana. Mexico City.
- 1992 First National Encounter of Young Art. National Institute of Fine Arts. Mexico City.
- 1998 Mexico-Polonia: Contemporary Miniature Textiles. Museo Rufino Tamayo, Mexico City.  
It's Own Theme. Unicornio Blanco Cultural Centre. Mexico City.
- 1986 I Biennale of Textile Art. Juried Show. National Museum of Modern Art, Mexico City.
- 1983 Veracruz: Plastica y Color. Instituto Veracruzano de Cultura. Veracruz, Mexico.  
Tapestry Exhibition. Instituto Allende de Cultura. Guanajuato, Mexico. 1979
- 1979 Painting Exhibition. Town Hall. Mexico City.

#### **Lectures (Selected) 2007-2018**

The hunt of the Unicorn. Cloisters, ME. NY

- Joshua Creek Heritage Art Centre. Tapestry presentation. Oakville, ON
- History of Tapestry. Burlington Handweavers Guild. Burlington Art Centre, ON
- Tapestry: Tradition Vs. Innovation. Lecturer; Museo Textil de Oaxaca. Oaxaca, Mexico.
- Burlington Handweavers and spinners Guild. Lecturer
- Etobicoke Guild of Handweavers and Spinners. Lecturer. ON.
- Textile Museum of Canada. Lecturer. Toronto, ON
- Mexican Consulate Women's Group. Lecturer. Toronto, ON
- 5 Counties Seminar. Regional OHS. Lecturer & Workshop leader. Georgetown, ON
- Clanmore Montessori School. Lecturer. Oakville, ON.
- Living Arts Centre Mississauga Handweavers and Spinners Guild. Lecturer. ON. London Guild of Embroiderers. Lecturer.
- Oakville Art Group. Lecturer. Oakville, ON. Burlington Arts Centre. Guild of Handweavers and Spinners of Burlington. Lecturer. ON.
- WASOON. Keynote Speaker. Canadore College, North Bay, ON.
- PROBUS Mississauga Group. Lecturer. ON
- St. Thomas Aquinas High School. Lecturer and workshop leader. Oakville, ON.

#### **Grants, Awards and Recognitions Selected (1984-2018)**

Selected Artist for World Tapestry Now 2018 publication

nominated for the **24th and 26 annual RBC Canadian Women Entrepreneur Awards.**

2018 Weaving the Future Grant, American Tapestry Alliance, USA.

Selected Juror. Burlington Handweavers Annual juried show: "Gems".

**CCA** Canada Council for the Arts Travel Grant.

**OAC** Ontario Arts Council Grant. Mid-Career Visual Artist.

2015 nominee 100 Mexicans Abroad, artistic career recognition. Madrid, Spain

Selected artwork for the VI International Biennial of Contemporary textile Art. AIR

Selected Mexican Artist for the 200 Celebration of Independence; Mexican Consulate Ottawa. ON.

Award Winner. Visual Arts Category; Oakville Arts Council Stars Among Us. Oakville, ON.

Finalist. Visual Arts Category; Oakville Arts Council Stars Among Us. Oakville, ON.

Best in Show Award; World of Threads Festival, Oakville, ON.

Best in Show Award; Sheridan College; World of Threads Festival. Oakville, ON.

3rd Place, National Competition of Fabric Design (Pre-Hispanic); Museo Rufino Tamayo, Mexico City.

Juried Show Mini Textiles: Mexico-Poland; Museo Rufino Tamayo, México City.

Articles

### **Memberships, Associations.**

Board Member Canadian Tapestry and Texture Centre (Not-for-profit-org)

Artistic Director Oakville Arts Studio Inc.

Member of the British Tapestry Group

Handweavers Guild of America, USA.

FASS Network (Fibre Arts Shares Space) Coordinator for QEP Centre for the Arts. Oakville, ON. CommUnity Art Space.

World of Threads Festival. Member of Steering Committee, Publicity Co-ordinator. Oakville, ON

Member of Canadian Tapestry Network. BC, Canada

Member of Guild of Canadian Weavers. Ontario.

Member of Ontario Arts Council

Member of Oakville Arts Council

Oakville Handweavers and Spinners Guild; Secretary, President. Oakville, ON. Canada

Docent Textile Museum of Canada. Toronto, ON.

Member of American Tapestry Alliance, USA

### **Publications**

● Design Education: Contemporary Textile Art in Mexico: Textil i Textil Magazine. 1991 ○ Lodz. Poland.

The Healing power of Tapestry Art. Neighbours Magazine. Oakville, ON. February issue 2019. Canada

The Moon: Gravitational force Uniting Fibre Arts. Fibre Focus Magazine, Spring (2011) Issue. 2011 ○ ON, Canada.

● Book Review: The Living Tapestry Workbook Fibre Focus Magazine. OHS, Fall Issue. 2010 ■ ON, Canada.

● Book Review: The Living Tapestry Workbook. Canadian Tapestry Network Magazine, Fall Issue. ○ BC, Canada.

● Tapestry as an Art Form. Fibre Focus Magazine. OHS. Summer Issue. 2009 ○ ON, Canada.

● History and Techniques of Pre-Columbian Natural Dyes. Fibre Focus Magazine: OHS. 2007 ○ ON, Canada.

● Mexican Contemporary Fibre Art : Interieur Magazine. 2006 ○ Budapest, Hungary.

### **Teaching (selected)**

2018 Fibre Art. Visual Arts Major program @ Iroquois Ridge High School, Oakville, ON

2014 McMichael Canadian Art Collection. Tapestry Workshop.

1988-2001 Universidad Anahuac Norte. Mexico City. Faculty of Design and Architecture  
Post-Graduate Textile Design. Program Coordinator.

1990-2001 Founder of Textil Creativo. Textile Art School Mexico City

The Sewers Forum. Tapestry Presentation. Lecturer/workshop leader. Oakville, ON.

Textile Art for Architectural Spaces. School of Architecture of Latin America ISTHMUS. 2003 Panama City. Panama.

Creative Textile. Samuel Menache Gallery. Mexico City.

1997 YQUITQUI- ICXTLI. Morelos State University. Mexico. Textile Art. La Cortesana Art Gallery. Cuernavaca. Mexico.

Wefts from Nature. Vallescondido Golf Course, Mexico City.

1996 Woven Images. Embassy of Venezuela. Mexico City.

Onirica Textil. ENEP Acatlan University. Mexico. Creative Textiles. National Museum of Revolution. Mexico City. 1995

Textile Art. Culture House. Mexico City. 1992 Fibre Art. Creative Textile School. Mexico City. 1991