

Van C. Tran

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EDUCATION

2012 Master of Fine Arts, University of California, Santa Barbara

2007 Bachelor of Arts (with Honors), University of California, San Diego

ACADEMIC/TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2012 Lead Teaching Assistant, Art & Life: Kip Fulbeck

Teaching Assistant, Beginning 2D Drawing: Eric Beltz

2011 Lead Teaching Assistant, 2D Image Studies: Laurel Beckman

Teaching Assistant, Art & Life: Yumi Kinoshita

Teaching Assistant, Art & Life: Kip Fulbeck

Teaching Assistant, Visual Art as Culture: Yumi Kinoshita

2010 Teaching Assistant, 2D Image Studies: Laurel Beckman

SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2014 Campus Wisdom. Broome Library Artist in Residence. California State University, Channel Islands

2011 Back-to-School Special. IV Theater, Isla Vista, CA

2007 little sister's stories. Mandeville Annex Gallery, University of California, San Diego

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2014 Common Ground. Vietnamese American Arts & Letters Association, Santa Ana, CA

2013 Winter Wonderland. Carlsbad Westfield Mall exhibition, Oceanside Museum of Art, Oceanside, CA

We'd Love Your Company. University Art Gallery, University of California, San Diego

SNAP TO GRID. Group exhibition, Los Angeles Center for Digital Art, Los Angeles, CA

One Thing Led to Another, Space 4 Art, San Diego, CA

2012 BOOM. MFA group exhibition, Pacific Design Center, Los Angeles, CA

Headgear for Tony. MFA thesis exhibition, Contemporary Arts Forum, Santa Barbara, CA

BYOB. Museum of Contemporary Art - Geffen, Los Angeles, CA

Groupwork. Gallery 479, University of California, Santa Barbara

2011 Marvelous Metaphors. Vietnamese American Arts & Letters Association, Santa Ana, CA

Chain Letter. Shoshana Wayne Gallery, Los Angeles, CA

BOOM. MFA group exhibition invitational, LA MART, Los Angeles, CA

SBMOVES: videos on gas station pump screens. Santa Barbara, CA

Yummier/Brainsickly. 1st-year MFA review group exhibition, The

Project Space Gallery, University of California, Santa Barbara

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- Riven Rock Refracted. MFA group exhibition, Ridley-Tree McCormick House, Santa Barbara, CA
- 2010 Welcome to the Thunderdome. MFA group exhibition, Gallery 479, University of California, Santa Barbara
- SNAP TO GRID. Group exhibition, Los Angeles Center for Digital Art, Los Angeles, CA
- JOAAP & Printed Matter's group exhibition for the NY Art Book Fair at PS1 Gallery, New York, NY

PRESENTATIONS/LECTURES/PUBLICATIONS

- 2014 Panel speaker, Grad Night, Concept to Career: Careers in the Arts, California State University, Channel Islands
- Guest lecturer, Julianne P. Gavino's Multicultural Art Movements class, California State University, Channel Islands
- Co-presenter, Ascend: STEAM Connect Conference, San Diego
- 2013 Guest lecturer, Celine Parrenas-Shimizu's Asian-American Studies class, University of California, Santa Barbara
- 2012 Presenter, Artist as Community, 37th Annual Art History Graduate Symposium, University of California, Santa Barbara
- 2011 Presenter, Dick Hebdige's Intro to Contemporary Art Symposium, University of California, Santa Barbara
- Panel speaker, Marvelous Metaphors, Vietnamese American Arts & Letters Association Center, Santa Ana, CA
- Guest lecturer for Julianne Gavino's Asian American Visual Culture class, University of California, Santa Barbara
- "Personal Reflection on UCIRA Conference," UC State of the Arts. Mar 15, 2011. Online
- 2010 "Oct 7th at UCSB," UC State of the Arts. October 9th, 2010. Online & Print

GRANTS/AWARDS

- 2013 NextGen Award, Center for Cultural Innovation
- Rising Arts Leaders San Diego Quick Grant
- 2012 Graduate Students Association Excellence in Teaching Award
- Nomination, University of California, Santa Barbara
- Teaching Assistantship Award, University of California, Santa Barbara
- 2011 Project funding & travel grant, Friday Academy
- Project funding, Isla Vista Arts
- Teaching Assistantship Award, University of California, Santa Barbara
- Group funding from SmART Families, Santa Barbara Museum of Art
- Israel Levitan Fellowship
- 2010 Community Grant for Riven Rock, University of California, Santa Barbara
- Teaching Assistantship Award, University of California, Santa Barbara
- Block Grant Award, University of California, Santa Barbara

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SELECTED BIBLIOGRAPHY

Yee, Promise. "Contemporary Arts Experience Meets with Some Opposition,"
The Coast News. December 27, 2013. Online and Print.

Woodard, Josef. "Heady, Hearty Art at the Starting Gate." Santa Barbara
Independent/Scene Magazine. Jun 1st, 2012. Online & Print.

Mills, Ted. "Boom-ing System". Santa Barbara New-Press. July 22- 28, 2011.
Online and Print.