# Elsa Robinson Curriculum Vitae

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#### **Education**

- 2019 Master of Fine Arts Specializing in Mixed-media Installation and Performance Vermont College of Fine Arts, Montpelier, Vermont, USA
- 2013 Bachelor of Arts, Department of Art and Design Majoring in Drawing/Intermedia, Painting and Sculpture, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB
- 1990 Bachelor of Education, Secondary Route Major French, Minor English University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB

## Awards, Grants and Prizes

- 2020 Individual Artist Grant, Edmonton Arts Council, Edmonton, AB
- 2018 Cultural Diversity in the Arts Grant, Edmonton Arts Council, Edmonton, AB
- 2016 Cultural Diversity in the Arts Grant, Edmonton Arts Council, Edmonton, AB
- 2015 First Prize, 2015 Spruce Grove Senior's Art Competition, Show and Sale, spruce Grove, AB
- 2012 Award for Excellence in the Arts, National Black Coalition of Canada, Edmonton, AB
- 2008 Cultural Diversity in the Arts Award, City of Edmonton, AB

#### **Selected Solo Exhibitions**

- 2021 Sankofa, Latitude53, Edmonton, AB
- 2020 Retrospective, The Aviary, Edmonton, AB
- 2019 Black History Month Featured Artist, Garneau Theatre, Edmonton, AB
- 2011 Afrika on the Ave, Carrot Café, Edmonton, AB
- 2009 Featured Artist, The Paint Spot, Edmonton, AB
- 2007 Beginnings, Vertical Space, The Paint Spot, Edmonton, AB
- 2006 Featured Artist, Manulife Place Main Lobby, Edmonton, AB

#### **Selected Group Exhibitions (Juried)**

- 2021 Amplify, Gallery501, Sherwood Park, Alberta
- 2021 Bring a Folding Chair, TREX Alberta Foundation for the Arts Travelling Exhibition, Art Gallery of Alberta, Edmonton, AB
- 2019 Members Show, Harcourt House Artist Run Centre, Edmonton, AB
- 2018 YEGCanvas, Edmonton Arts Council, Edmonton, AB
- 2016 Annual Art Show, St. Alberta Art Gallery, St. Albert. AB
- 2015 Spruce Grove Senior's Art Competition. Show and Sale
- 2015 Strathcona Arts Society 30 Anniversary Show, Sherwood Park, AB
- 2015 Five Artists One Love, The Citadel Theatre, Edmonton, AB
- 2012 Five Artists One Love, Art Gallery of Alberta, Edmonton, AB
- 2011 Five Artists One Love, Tu Gallery Edmonton, Alberta, Canada
- 2010 Five Artists One Love, Tu Gallery, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada
- 2010 Members Show, Visual Arts Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada
- 2009 Five Artists One Love, Tu Gallery, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada
- 2007 Global Gallery, Mennonite Centre for Newcomers, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada

#### **Selected Group Exhibitions (Invitational)**

- 2021 Schmoozy, Latitude53, Edmonton, AB
- 2020 Love Thy Neighbour, Art Gallery of St. Albert, St. Albert, AB
- 2017 Tribute to Jean Michele Basquiat, Carrot Cafe, Edmonton, AB
- 2016 Black History Month Art Show, Carrot Cafe, Edmonton, AB
- 2016 Travels, Lotus Gallery, Edmonton, AB

- 2016 SkirtsAFire Festival, Nina Haggarty Gallery, Edmonton, AB
- 2016 Public and Private Lives, Skirts a Fire Festival, Nina Haggarty Gallery, Edmonton, AB
- 2016 5 Artists One Love, Scott Gallery, Edmonton, AB
- 2015 5 Artists One Love, Art Gallery of Alberta, Edmonton, AB
- 2015 Art From the Unknown, Edmonton, AB
- 2015 Strathcona Arts Society, Loft Gallery Art Show, Strathcona, AB
- 2014 Mbira Renaissance, Latitude 53, Edmonton, AB
- 2014 Kaleido Family Arts Festival, Edmonton, AB
- 2013 Black History Month Art Show, Carrot Café, Edmonton, AB
- 2012 African and Poetry and Arts Day, The Africa Centre, Edmonton, AB
- 2011 InFuse, Jamaica Association of Northern Alberta, Alberta Arts Days, Edmonton, AB
- 2011 Africa Days, Northlands Coliseum Edmonton, AB
- 2010 Cultural Diversity in the Arts Program Exhibition, The ARTery, Edmonton, AB
- 2009 Elemental Titanium 22, Harcourt House Annual Members' Exhibition and Sale, Edmonton, AB
- 2008 Expressions in Color, Jeff Allen Gallery, Edmonton, AB
- 2007 Cortex, Red Strap Market, Edmonton, AB
- 2006 Workers Week Art Show, Edmonton, AB

## Murals

2021 Our African Elders, Pink Flamingo, Calgary, AB

#### **Curated Shows**

2020 Love Thy Neighbour, Art Gallery of St. Albert, St. Albert, AB

#### **Selected Publications**

Arc Poetry Magazine 96, The Islands of Influence, Fall 2021

Sight, Site and Place, Mile Zero Dance, Edmonton, <a href="https://vimeo.com/656857799">https://vimeo.com/656857799</a> 2021

Yeg Artist to Participate in AGA Travelling Exhibition <a href="https://thenuggetonline.com/yeg-artist-to-participate-in-aga-traveling-exhibition/">https://thenuggetonline.com/yeg-artist-to-participate-in-aga-traveling-exhibition/</a> 2021

The art of love and equality. <a href="https://www.stalberttoday.ca/local-arts-and-culture/the-art-of-love-and-equality-2061033">https://www.stalberttoday.ca/local-arts-and-culture/the-art-of-love-and-equality-2061033</a> 2020

Love Thy Neighbour CBC Edmonton <a href="https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/edmonton/art-gallery-of-st-albert-black-history-month-1.5449169">https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/edmonton/art-gallery-of-st-albert-black-history-month-1.5449169</a> 2020

Edmonton Arts Council, Cultural Diversity in the Arts 2018, https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u15TijJeUZs

Shaw TV Feature Video <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5SCTJRC7fn0">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5SCTJRC7fn0</a>, 2016

Generations of Art, http://northyegmama.com/blog/generations-of-art, 2016

Elsa Robinson, Goodbye to (Un) Masking Spirit http://us9.campaign-archive1.com/?

u=23e145974a471a942b8a13ff6&id=e724087025&e=b38f92072f

Elsa Robinson (Un) Masking Spirit <a href="http://www.curiousarts.ca/elsa-robinson-un-masking-spirit">http://www.curiousarts.ca/elsa-robinson-un-masking-spirit</a> - 2016 SkirtsAFire Festival Edmonton, <a href="http://skirtsafire.com/2016-skirtsafire-herarts-festival-artistprofile-elsa-robinson/">http://skirtsafire.com/2016-skirtsafire-herarts-festival-artistprofile-elsa-robinson/</a> - 2016

Shaw TV Feature Video, https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5SCTJRC7fn0 - 2016 *Africentric* - 5 Artists, One Love - 2012

**The Edmonton Journal** - Alberta wears its art on its sleeve this weekend - September 29, 2011

**The Edmonton Journal** - Five Artists share their love of black history - 2010

# **Professional Affiliations and Memberships**

February 2022 to present
June 2018 to 2020

Board Member, Latitude53 Gallery, Edmonton, AB
Artist Collective Member, Ribbon Rouge Foundation,

Edmonton, AB

June 2018 to October 2019 Board Member and Creative Director, Ribbon Rouge Foundation,

Edmonton, AB

2013 - 2015 Board Member Edmonton Arts Council, Edmonton, AB

2014 - 2015 Equity Committee Chair, Edmonton Arts Council, Edmonton, AB

2011 - 2013 Board Member Harcourt House Artist Run Centre, . Edmonton, AB

Current Memberships CARFAC, Harcourt House Artist Run Centre, Latitude 53