

### Education

2008-13 Master of Fine Arts, Finnish Academy of Fine Arts, Helsinki, Finland

2008 Master class of film making by Abbas Kiarostami, Tehran, Iran

2007 Master class of sound and documentary by Pedro Costa, Kikuchi Nobuyuki and David Vranken held by AND (Asian Network of Documentary), Yamagata, Japan

2003-08 Bachelor of Art in music performance, Tehran Art University, Iran

2001-02 College in mathematics and Physics, NODET (National Organization for Developing Exceptional Talents), Tehran, Iran

### Solo Exhibitions

2018 Home Is Where You Hang Your Hat, curated by Tanel Rander, The gallery of Valga Museum, Valga, Estonia

2018 Pictures from Our Past, Pictures from Our Future, Third Space, Helsinki, Finland

2017 My Divorce Ceremony, Exhibition Laboratory, Helsinki, Finland

2016 Three Acts for a Brighter Future, Finnish Institute in Stockholm, Sweden

2015 Objects; as they act upon me, as I document them, curated by Helena Björk, Lajevardi Foundation, Tehran, Iran

2015 Some Critique from Our Parents, Commissioned by Checkpoint Helsinki, Finnish Museum of Photography, Helsinki, Finland.

2012 How to Do Things With Words, Forum Box, Helsinki, Finland

2012 The Waiting Room, Lasipalatsi gallery, Helsinki

2011 How to Do Things With Words (A Legal Performance), Finnish Academy of Fine Arts, Helsinki, Finland

2010 An Exhibition for My Friend, Apollo 13, Munich

2010 August Ahlqvist: What Is to Be Done? Lothringer 13/Laden, Munich (Collaboration with Jaakko Karhunen)

2009 An Exhibition for My Friend, and One for the Monster, FAFA gallery, Helsinki

2009 Everyone Who Has Ever Asked Me to Jump, Digital Art Lab, Holon, Israel

## Selected Group Exhibitions and Screenings

2018 Portable Landscapes, Latvian National Museum of Art, Riga, Latvia

2017 Forms of resistance, Golden Thread Gallery, Belfast, Northern Ireland

2017 Pictures from Our Future, Finnish Museum of Photography, Helsinki, Finland

2017 Cohabiting: A Durational Event, curated by CCS Bard, ISCP, New York, US

2017 The Map is Not the Territory, curated by SVA Curatorial Studies, SVA gallery, NYC, US

2017 Seeds for history and form, curated by Sumesh Sharma, Aicon gallery, New York, US

2017 Nordic delights, Fotografisk center, Copenhagen, Denmark

2016 Nordic delights, Kalmar Museum of Art, Sweden

2016 Songlines from a New Atlas, Kalmar Museum of Art, Sweden

2016 Screening (Some Critique from Our Parents), Zita bio, Stockholm, Sweden

2016 SOS, curated by Pontus Kyander, 9th Ewha International Media Art Festival, Seoul, South Korea

2016 Nordic Delights, curated by Anna-Kaisa Rastenberger and Marianna Hultman, Oslo Kunstforening, Norway

2016 Identity, Behind the Curtains of Uncertainty, National Art Museum of Ukraine, Kiev, Ukraine

2016 Art Africa Fair, Cape Town, South Africe

2015 When Southern Cross Speaks, curated by Solange Farkas, Gothenburg Biennial, Sweden

2015 New Narrative and Reader, Curated by Laura Köönikkä, Salo Art Museum, Finland

2015 Mänttä art festival, Finland

2015 New Narrative and Reader, Bury Art Museum and Sculpture Centre, Manchester, UK

2015 Supermarket Art Fair, Stockholm, Sweden

2015 Cannibal Manifesto, curated by Alexandra MacGlip, KARST contemporary art venue, Plymouth, UK

- 2015 Inheritance, curated by Anna-Kaisa Rastenberger, Virka gallery, Helsinki city hall, Helsinki, Finland
- 2014 Beijing Design Week 2014, screening program curated by Solange Farkas, Beijing, China
- 2014 FUSO video art festival, Lisbon, Portugal
- 2014 ¿Finlandia? part of Focus Finland collateral programme during Arco Madrid Art Fair, Alcalá 31, Madrid, Spain
- 2014 Mediterranea 16, CAMP cultural center, Athens, Greece
- 2013 The exhibition of shortlist of Southern Panorama, VideoBrasil, Sau Paulo, Brazil
- 2013 Borders, Orders, Disorders, Curated by Shay Mazloom, DNA Projects Space, Art Month Sydney, Australia
- 2012 Autumn exhibition of Helsinki Design Museum, curated by Suvi Saloniemi, Helsinki, Finland
- 2012 (B)orders, Orders, (Dis)orders, curated by Shay Mazloom, Raf gallery, Tehran, Iran
- 2012 Iranian Arts Now, Cité international des Arts, Paris, France
- 2012 Radio Ahlqvist, Inter-format Symposium on Remoteness and Contemporary Art, Nida, Lithuania/ Kaliningrad
- 2012 This Way (Tätä tietä), Helsinki Photography Biennale, Jukka Male Museum, Helsinki, Finland
- 2011 Outside, curated by Petri saarikko, Kallio Kunsthalle, Helsinki, Finland
- 2011 XV Biennale de la Méditerranée, Thessaloniki, Greece
- 2010 Manifestations of Nationalism in Everyday life, curated by Minna L. Henrikson, FAFA gallery, Helsinki
- 2010 Manufacturing Today, Trondheim Biennial, Norway
- 2010 Exchange, Curated by Jo Lansley, The Holden Gallery, Manchester, UK
- 2009 screening (Morning Hallucination), Lens Politica festival, Helsinki, Finland
- 2009 screening (Morning Hallucination), Tehran Short Film Festival, Iran
- 2009 Borderless, curated by Seppo Salminen, Labor Gallery, Budapest, Hungary
- 2009 Sound piece, 0dB (Zero Decibels) Sonic and Live Art Festival, Tampere, Finland
- 2008 screening (Golden Dances), Lens Politica, Helsinki, Finland
- 2008 screening (Golden Dances) d'Aubagne Film Festival, France
- 2007 screening (Golden Dances), Tehran Short Film Festival, Iran
- 2007 screening (Golden dances), L'Alternativa, Festival de Cinema Independent de Barcelona, Spain
- 2007 screening (Golden Dances), Festival Resistances, Foix, France
- 2007 screening (Morning Hallucination) Celflix festival, Itaca college, New York, US
- 2007 screening (Golden Dances) Oberhausen short film festival, Oberhausen, Germany
- 2007 screening (Golden Dances), Festival des Libertes, Brussels, Belgium
- 2007 screening (Golden Dances), Up and Coming Film Festival, Hannover, Germany
- 2007 screening (Golden Dances), Astra film, Sibiu, Romania
- 2007 screening (Golden Dances), Yamagata Documentary film festival, Yamagata, Japan
- 2007 screening (Golden Dances), the biggest gathering of young film makers, Cinemadamare, Italy
- 2007 screening (Golden Dances), Kish international film festival, Kish, Iran
- 2006 screening (Golden dances), DocumentaMadrid, Spain
- 2004 Hungry Man and Two Boxes of Onion, Third New Art Biennial of Tehran, Tehran Museum of Contemporary Art

### **Awards and Commissions**

- 2017 Stora Priset for young prominent artists, Oskar Öflunds Foundation, Finland
- 2016 Same Song, New Songline, commissioned by Kalmar Museum of Art, Sweden
- 2015 Some Critique from Our Parents, commissioned by Checkpoint Helsinki
- 2011 Stipend of graduation exhibition of Finnish Academy of Fine Arts
- 2008 Award of best documentary in d'Aubagne Film Festival for Golden Dances
- 2007 Prize ex aequo in L'Alternativa, Festival de Cinema Independent de Barcelona for Golden Dances
- 2007 Awards of: best film, best cinematography, and best film editing in 7th "Kish international film Festival for Golden Dances

#### Residencies

- 2017 ISCP International Studio and Curatorial Program, New York, US
- 2013 Culture Factory Polymer, Tallinn, Estonia
- 2013 MoKS, Mooste, Estonia
- 2011 Nida Art Colony, Lithuania
- 2011 Residency of HIAP-Oksasenkatu11 in Suomenlinna, Finland
- 2010 Residency of Kuvataideakatemia in Utö, Finland
- 2010 Residency of Kuvataideakatemia in Berlin, Germany

# Scholarships and Grants

- 2018 One year artistic working grant, Art Promotion center of Finland
- 2017 Artistic working grant, Finnish Cultural Foundation (SKR)
- 2017 Production grant, Koneen Säätiö, Finland
- 2017 Saastamoinen Foundation grant for ISCP residency
- 2016 Young artist grant, Finnish Art Society
- 2016 SES (Finnish Film Foundation)
- 2015 Artistic working grant, Koneen Säätiö, Finland
- 2015 Exhibition grant, FRAME (Finnish Fund for Art Exchange)
- 2014 Artistic working grant, Koneen Säätiö, Finland
- 2013 Equipment grant, Oskar Öflunds Foundation, Finland
- 2013 Navtöapuraha, Art Promotion center of Finland
- 2013 Grants for projects promoting multiculturalism, Art Promotion center of Finland
- 2013 Project grant, Art Promotion center of Finland
- 2013 Artistic working grant, Paulo's Foundation, Finland
- 2013 Travel grant, Art Promotion center of Finland
- 2013 Regional grant, Art Promotion center of Finland
- 2013 Residency grant, Art Promotion center of Finland
- 2012 Exhibition grant, FRAME (Finnish Fund for Art Exchange)
- 2012 Residency grant, KKNORD (Nordic Culture Point)
- 2011 Travel grant, FRAME (Finnish Fund for Art Exchange)
- 2011 Residency grant, KKNORD (Nordic Culture Point)
- 2011 Equipment grant, Oskar Öflunds Foundation, Finland
- 2011 Project grant, AVEK (The Promotion Center for Audiovisual Culture), Finland
- 2010 Moving image grant of Time and Space department, Kuvataideakatemia, Finland

### **Publications**

2015 Objects, as they act upon me, as I document them, Published by Contemporary Art Publications, Lajevardi Foundation, Iran

2015 Cannibal Manifesto: Mimesis as Resistance, Plymouth, UK

# **Other Artistic Activities**

2017 Painting the official portrait of the Finnish president (collaborative work)

2013 Talk and discussion on Collaboration and Authorship, Culture Factory Polymer, Tallinn, Estonia

2011 Lecture on Collaboration and Authorship (together with Jaakko Karhunen), Ptarmigan, Tallinn, Estonia

2011 Holding a workshop with the Theme of Collaboration and Authorship in Vilnius Academy of Fine Arts, Lithuania

2011 Lecture on Collaboration and Authorship, Vilnius Academy of Fine Arts, Lithuania (with Jaakko Karhunen)

2010 Organizing "Who Sets What Up?" a critical session from curatorial point of view for the exhibition of permanent collection of Kiasma Museum of Contemporary Art, Kiasma, Helsinki

2009 Working as curator for Limited Access project, Organized by Azad Gallery and Parkingallery, Tehran /Townhouse Gallery, Cairo

2006 Teaching a course on "Essentials of Musical Performance", Farzanegan ensemble, Tehran

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