

## WENDIMAGEGN BELETE

Born 1986, Ethiopia

Lives and works in Ethiopia and Norway

## EDUCATION

- 2016 - 2017 MA in Contemporary Art, Tromsø Academy of Contemporary Art and Creative Writing  
2009- 2012 Bachelor of Fine Arts, AAU Alle School of Fine Arts and Design  
2006 -2008 Marketing Management, Mekelle University

## SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2023 (Upcoming) Saatchi Yates, London, UK  
2022 (Upcoming) National Museum, Addis Ababa, ET  
(Upcoming) Trøndelag Center for Contemporary Art, Trondheim, NO  
*Codeswitch*, Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, London, UK  
2021 Tenthaus, Oslo, NO  
iodeposito, Traveso, IT  
Small projects, Tromsø, NO  
*Your Gaze Makes Me*, Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, Berlin, GR  
2020 *National Museum*, Addis Ababa, ET  
*ሰንካር <Sinkar>*, LNM Gallery, Oslo, NO  
Oppland Kunstsenter, Lillehammer, NO  
*'Moment 2.0'*, Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, Nevlunghavn, NO  
2019 *Revenant*, Fotografiens Hus, NO  
*'Moment'*, “አንዳፍታ”, ‘*Andafta*’, Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, London, UK  
*Altering The Past*, FUSHION, Youngs Oslo, NO  
2018 *Frozen Memories*, Østfold Kunstsenter, Fredrikstad, NO  
2017 “*Are We There Yet?*”, Gallery Snerk, Tromsø Academy of contemporary Art, Tromsø, NO  
2016 ‘*UNVEIL*’, Tromsø Academy of contemporary Art, Tromsø, NO  
2015 *NOSTALGIA*, LeLa contemporary Art Gallery, Addis Ababa, ET

## GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2022 (Upcoming) HacerNoche, Biannual international, Oaxaca, Mexico  
5th Biennale Internationale de Casablanca, Morocco  
Tang Contemporary, Beijing, China  
*I Call it Art*, The National Museum, NO  
2021 5th Biennale Internationale de Casablanca, MA  
HacerNoche, biannual international, Oaxaca, MX  
Mediterranea 19 Young Artists Biennale San Marino, IT  
*Artsy Vanguard*, Miami, USA  
*Facing the Sun*, Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, Schloss Görne, Germany  
Munch museum, Oslo, NO

- Kosk Gallery, NO  
 Sandefjord Kunstforenings Kunstpris, Sandefjord, NO  
*6<sup>th</sup> edition of the Future Generation Art Prize*, PinkchukArtCentre, Kiev, UA  
*Facing The Sun*, Schloss Goerne, GR
- 2020 *Flag Project*, Tromsø kunstforening , Flag Tromsø, NO
- 2019 Oslo Kunstforening and Sparebankstiftelsen DNB exhibition, NO  
 YPN Digital Africa (Casablanca) 5th Biennale Internationale de Casablanca, MAR  
 B#Side War festival, group exhibition in Venice/Treviso -IT  
 Altering the past, FUSHION , at Youngs Oslo, NO  
 Exhibition in Rådhusateljere, NO  
*This man is your friend*, RAM Gallery, NO  
*Digital Africa Cameroonian photography and video art*, Cameron  
*Et maleri er et dikt uten ord*, Akershus kunstsenter, NO
- 2018 *LNM's 50th anniversary*, kunstnerneshus, NO  
*Høstutstillingen/autumnexhibition*, kunstnerneshus , NO  
*Young Invited*, Gallery, LNM, NO  
*The Process – Space*, festival and exhibition, Russe, Bulgaria
- 2017 *Lofoten International Art Festival (LIAF)*, Mondo, Represent Mondo, NO  
*Portrait nu*, Ljungberg Museum in Sweden, Dec SW  
*Portrait now*, The Museum of National History, Frederiksborg Castle, DK  
*Tromsø Kunstakademiet MFA exhibition*, Kunstforeningen, Tromsø, NO,  
*Assuming public space*, Public art project collaboration with Thomas Hirschorn (Tromsø), NO  
*Tallinn Noir*, Estonian Academy of Arts, EST  
*Urban Substitution*, European Capital of Culture 2017, DK  
*First edition of International Bad Video Art Festival Moscow*, A3 Gallery, RU
- 2016 *Spring Screen Video Festival*, Galleri Fisk, Bergen, NO  
*Arctic moving image and film festival*, Harstad, Northern NO  
*Young Arctic Artists 2016*, Gallery Napa, FI  
*'UNVEIL'*, Tromsø Academy of contemporary Art, NO  
*Stockholm Independent Art Fair Sweden*, represent Small Project, SW  
*'LA VASEE COMTE'*, Jutland Art Academy, Aarhus, DK
- 2015 *SYNCHRONIZED weissensee kunsthochschule*, Kunsthalle am Hamburger Platz, GR  
*"Art Future/Future Signs"*, Art Academy of Latvia, Riga, LT  
*50 years of Pan Africanism' Group show*, National Museum, Addis Ababa, ET  
*Addis art fair*, Millennium Hall, Addis Ababa, ET  
*Ethiopian national artists associations*, National Museum, ET  
*Horizon arts*, Laphto art Gallery, Addis Ababa, ET
- 2014 *Altered Impression*, with Ethiopian Art community, California USA
- 2012 *Listro (Berlin) exhibition*, School of Fine Arts and Design, Addis Ababa and Berlin, ET/GR  
*Alliance Ethio - France*, ET
- 2015 *Addis Ababa University*, Alle school of fine arts and Design- graduation exhibition, ET
- 2011 *National Museum*, Addis Ababa, ET

## SELECTED AWARDS AND GRANTS

- 2021 Shortlisted for the 6<sup>th</sup> edition of the Future Generation Art Prize
- 2020 Nominated for Sandefjord Kunstforenings Kunstpris  
Artist working grant, Billedkunstneres Vederlagsfond, NBK
- 2019 Nominated for Sparebankstiftelsen DNB stipend, Norway  
Exhibition grant Kulturrådet, Norway  
Exhibition grant Norsk fotografiens fund  
Exhibition grant Revenant, fotografienshus, Kulturrådet
- 2018 Two years working grant from the Norwegian Art Council  
Exhibition grant, Africana and book series, Kulturrådet
- 2017 Newly establish Artist work grant, diversestipend, Kulturrådet
- 2018/2019 Two-year studio space at Oslo City Hall
- 2016/2017 Quota Scheme, two Years Scholarship, Tromsø
- 2014 First prize in two categories, International organization for migration (IOM),
- 2013 Certificate from the US Embassy, FOUR freedoms Art competition
- 2012 Addis Ababa University, outstanding student of the year 2012  
Red Cross Society Ethiopia, Certificate for 12th international Art competition
- 2011 Network for Ethiopian Women Association, UN WOMEN – Certificate from art competition

## COLLECTIONS

- Norwegian Parliament (Norway)
- Easton Capital/ John Friedman Collection (USA)
- Beth Rudy de Woody Collection (USA)
- Collection africanartfirst (Israel)
- Oslo municipality's art collection (Norway)

## WORKSHOP AND TRAINING

- 2021 RESIDENCY at iodeposito, IT  
Workshop with Hersleb videregående skole students, Tenthaus Oslo, No
- 2019 Artist talk, Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, ENG  
Seminar Art on blue prescription at Akershus Art Center, NO  
Artist conversation in RAM gallery , NO
- 2017 Assuming public space ,Public art project collaboration with Thomas Hirschorn (Tromsø /NO)  
Intensive Course, Tallinn Noir, Estonian Academy of Arts, Estonia  
Texts and/as Tools in the Process of Perception at Fynen Art Academy , Denmark  
Self-Portrait & Contemporary Photography, at Turku University of Applied Sciences , Finland
- 2016 Workshop "Found materials" 21-25 Nov,Umeå Academy of Fine Arts, Sweden  
Experimental Sound art workshop, Tromsø academy of contemporary art, - Norway  
Conceptual art and materialism, "I am the first man in the world" at Jutland art academy, Denmark
- 2015 "Art Future/Future Signs" workshop at the art academy of Latvia, Riga

## PRESS

- 2020 Art + history = true, kunstavisen  
Human materials Sparebankstiftelsen DNB 's scholarship exhibition, morgenbladet  
Kunst Pluss, kunstforeninger
- 2019 5th INTERNATIONAL BIENNALE OF CASABLANCA  
Sparebankstiftelsen DNB's scholarship exhibition, Oslokunstforening  
The thunder from the tower, morgenbladet  
MOMENT “አንዳፍታ” "ANDAFTA" kristinhjellegjerde  
Et maleri er et dikt uten ord, akershuskunstsenter
- 2018 KUNSTKRITIKK, Kunst på kloss hold, kunstkritikk  
Ancestors' match,
- 2017 «Hemmeligheten» i Rådhus-tårnet/ dagsavisen  
«ON ADAPTATION» MA – AVGANGSUTSTILLINGEN, TROMSØ KUNSTFORENING  
DET SOM OMGIR OSS, issuu
- 2016 magasinetKUNST.dk , August 4, 2016 Denmark (Article)  
Synchronized Overview article/ Kunsthalle at Hamburg Place
- 2015 Nostalgia, Ethiopiaobserver,  
“Art Future/Future Signs”