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Lives and works in Cape Town, South Africa

EDUCATION

- 2016 National Diploma in Film and Video, Cape Peninsula University of Technology
- 2007 National Diploma in Fine Arts, College of Cape

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2026 Kristin Hjellegjerde, Berlin, Germany
- 2025 Kristin Hjellegjerde, West Palm Beach, Florida, USA
- 2024 *Ebullience*, Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, London, UK
Fabric of Life, curated by Catherine Loewe, Paul Smith, No9 Albemarle Street, London, UK
- 2023 *Wandering in the Unknown World*, Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, Berlin, Germany
- 2022 *Kgolagano – A Covenant*, Ebony Curated, Cape Town, South Africa
- 2021 *Gestures from The Awakened Mind*, Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, London, UK
- 2019 *Embolden*, Ebony Curated, Cape Town, South Africa
- 2018 Solo Presentation at Investec Cape Town Art Fair, Ebony Curated, Booth S5, CTICC, Cape Town, South Africa
- 2017 *Alone in Spring*, Ebony Curated, Cape Town, South Africa
- 2015 *Withdrawn*, World Art, Cape Town, South Africa

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2026 Investec Cape Town Art Fair, EBONY/CURATED, Cape Town, South Africa
Threads of Africa: Textiles from the Serge Tiroche Collection, Serge Tiroche Contemporary (online edition)
- 2025 *A Very Loop Street Summer IV*, EBONY/CURATED, Cape Town, South Africa
Bold: New Voices in Contemporary Art, Indianapolis, USA
Africa Rising: Highlights from the Africa First Collection at ACEL Seoul, Serge Tiroche Contemporary, Seoul, South Korea
EXPO Chicago, Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, Chicago, IL
EXPO Chicago, EBONY/CURATED, Chicago, IL
Investec Cape Town Art Fair, EBONY/CURATED, Cape Town, South Africa
- 2024 *A Very Loop Street Summer III*, EBONY/CURATED, Cape Town, South Africa
Fabric of Life, curated by Catherine Loewe, Paul Smith, No9 Albemarle Street, London, UK
The Armory Show, Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, New York, USA
EXPO Chicago, Ebony Curated, Chicago, IL, USA
Investec Cape Town Art Fair, Generation Section, Ebony Curated, Cape Town, South Africa
Soulscapes, curated by Lisa Anderson, Dulwich Picture Gallery, London, UK
- 2023 *New Art WKND*, Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, West Palm Beach, Florida, USA
Hiatus, Ebony Curated, Cape Town, South Africa
An Endless Night, curated by Anelisa Mangcu, The Mount Nelson, A Belmond Hotel, Cape Town, South Africa
Norval Foundation's 6th Collectors' Focus: The Kilbourn Collection, Norval Foundation, Cape Town, South Africa
Talking Threads, Ode to the Maker: Embroidery, Wereld Museum, Rotterdam, Netherlands
EXPO Chicago, Ebony/Curated, Chicago, USA
Art Dubai, with Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, Dubai, UAE
Investec Cape Town Art Fair, Ebony Curated, South Africa

	<i>Today, I Wish to Talk to You Dreams</i> , curated by Amogelang Maledu, The Mount Nelson, A Belmond Hotel, Cape Town, South Africa
2022	<i>Also Known As Africa (AKKA)</i> , Paris, France <i>Diversity</i> , Rupert Museum, Stellenbosh, South Africa <i>CerModern Geleceğ(n)iDokumak</i> , CerModern Museum, Ankara, Turkey <i>(IM)MATERIALITY</i> , This Is Not A White Cube, Lisbon, Portugal Art Paris, Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, Paris, France Investec Cape Town Art Fair, Ebony Curated, Cape Town, South Africa
2021	<i>A Very Loop Street Summer</i> , Ebony Curated, Cape Town, South Africa <i>Everything was Beautiful and Nothing Hurt</i> , FNB Art Joburg, Open City, Keyes Art Mile, Rosebank, Johannesburg, South Africa 1-54 Contemporary African Art Fair, Ebony Curated, London, England <i>Threads</i> , The Duende Art Project, Monastery of the Zwartusters, Antwerp, Belgium Presentation with This Is Not a White Cube Lisbon, Portugal <i>Facing the Sun</i> , Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, Schloss Goerne, Germany <i>Knotted Ties</i> , Lobby Gallery, Christie's New York, United States of America 1-54 Contemporary African Art Fair,(Virtual Representation) Ebony Curated, London, England In (the) Loop, Ebony Curated, Cape Town, South Africa
2020	<i>Devils in The Details</i> , Kristin Hjellegjerde Gallery, London, United Kingdom FNB Art Joburg, Johannesburg, South Africa Intersect Chicago online edition of SOFA Expo, Chicago, United States of America 1-54 Contemporary African Art Fair, London, United Kingdom <i>Feminist Utopia</i> curated by Anelisa Mangcu, Ebony Curated, Cape Town, South Africa LATITUDES Art Fair (Virtual Representation, Ebony Curated, Cape Town, South Africa 1-54 Contemporary African Art Fair, New York, United States of America Investec Cape Town Art Fair, Ebony Curated, Booth A12, South Africa
2019	<i>Angel</i> , St Antoine Church, in association with Muse Contemporary, Istanbul, Turkey <i>Spotlight</i> , LATITUDES Art Fair, Ebony Curated, Johannesburg, South Africa <i>Botanica II</i> , Curated by Adele van Heerden for Art B Gallery, Bellville, South Africa <i>Textile</i> , Curated By Amy Pike For Dyman Gallery, Stellenbosch, South Africa <i>Filling in the Gaps</i> , Iziko South African National Gallery, Cape Town, South Africa Investec Cape Town Art Fair, Ebony Curated, Cape Town, South Africa <i>Connections</i> , Greatmore Studios, Cape Town, South Africa
2018	<i>Also Known As Africa (AKAA)</i> 2018, Paris, France Summer Exhibition, Ebony Curated, Cape Town, South Africa
2017	<i>Colourchart</i> , Ebony Curated, Cape Town, South Africa Turbine Art Fair, Ebony Curated Stand, Johannesburg, South Africa Art Africa Fair, Cape Town, South Africa <i>A Painting Today</i> , Stevenson, Cape Town, South Africa
2016	Turbine Art Fair, Ebony Curated Stand, Johannesburg, South Africa Summer Exhibition, Ebony Curated, Cape Town, South Africa

PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

Figge Art Museum, Iowa, United States of America
Indianapolis Museum of Art at Newfields, Indianapolis, United States of America
Newark Museum of Art, New Jersey, United States of America
The Bunker Artspace Collection, Florida, United States of America
Kilbourn Collection, Cape Town, South Africa
OLYM Collection, Belgium, Europe
Nelson Mandela Art Museum, Gqeberha, South Africa
The Beth Rudin DeWoody Collection, Palm Beach, Florida, United States of America
William Humphreys Art Gallery, Kimberly South Africa
Standard Bank Corporate Art Collection, Johannesburg, South Africa
Africa First Collection, Israel
IZIKO South African National Gallery, Cape Town, South Africa

The Art Bank of South Africa, Oliewenhuis Art Museum, Bloemfontein, South Africa
The Irma Stern Museum, The University of Cape Town, Cape Town, South Africa
Jiminez / Constantine Trust, Puerto Rico
Euston Capital Collection, United States of America
The House of KOKO, London, United Kingdom
Fondation H Museum, Antananarivo, Madagascar
The Levett Collection, Europe
Arts Trust, South Africa
Rupert Museum, Stellenbosch, South Africa

AWARDS AND PRIZES

Finalist for the Ares Art Prize (2022)

Recipient of the Norval Sovereign African Art Prize, Norval Foundation, South Africa
(2022)

