

ELFREDA DALI

Ravensbourne University, London Fashion Design 2018

Fashion Retail Academy, London, Fashion & Textiles 2015

ARTIST STATEMENT

A multidisciplinary artist working across textile, leather and sculpture. Combining traditional handcraft with experimental construction. Using hand stitching, layering and assemblage to transform leather, textile offcuts and repurposed materials into intricate surfaces and modular sculptural forms. A practice exploring material transformation, movement and cultural fusions.

RESIDENCIES

2026 - Fish Tank Workshop & Gallery Residency, London, UK

2026 - Pullman Yard Artist Residency, Atlanta, US

2025 - Mentoring Matters, London, UK

2025 - The Elizabeth Foundation for the Arts x 1952 Africa, New York, US

2024 - Makerversity Artist Residency, London, UK

2023 - Rele Gallery Young Contemporaries, Lagos, Nigeria

2023 - Somerset House Creative Entrepreneur Residency, London, UK

2022 - Fash Mash Art Residency, London, UK

EXHIBITIONS

2026 - Design Week Lagos, group, Lagos Nigeria

2026 - Ten Thousand Hours, Creative Debuts, group, London, UK

2026 - The One Thousand, South Side Gallery, group, Richmond, US

2025 - Softness as Strength, Lofty Spot / Area Noir, group London, UK.

2024 - Special Projects, Piece Unique agency, 1-54 Art Fair, London, UK

2024 - Matters of Essence II, KO Art Space, group, Lagos, Nigeria.

2024 - London Design Week, group, London, UK

2024 - Pathways, St Art Gallery, group, London, UK

2024 - BBR, Somerset House, group London, UK

2024 - Contact Zone, Piece Unique agency, Cromwell Place, group exhibition, London, UK

2024 - Shifting Shadows, Rele Gallery, group exhibition, Los Angeles, US

2023 - Tokunbo, Rele Gallery, Young Contemporaries, Lagos, Nigeria

2022 - Sustainability Spotlight, Victoria & Albert Museum, London, UK

2021 - The Erudite, Alliance Française Gallery, group, Lagos, Nigeria

2019 - Not All Who Wander Are Lost, Royal Albert Hall, Group Show, London, UK

2017 - Meltdown, South Bank Centre, Group Show, London, UK

AWARDS

2025 - Chizi Wigwe Art Prize, Winner (also includes residency in New York)

2025 - Creative Impact Award, The BGI

2024 - Tilga Art Award, Runner Up

2023 - Rele Young Contemporary Artist

2020 - Arise 30 Under 30
2018 - Graduate Fashion Week London, Top 52 UK Graduation
2015 - Fashion Retail Academy, Best Graduate Collection
2013 - Dansol, Most Resourceful Student
2013 - Dansol, First Place Overall, Fine Art Student

PROJECTS / COMMISSIONS

2026 - All Saint's Church Haggerston Art Work Commission
2024 - UGG, Workshop at the Flagship store
2024 - Adidas, Original artwork commission
2024 - Upgrade Yourself Festival (Somerset House), Workshop
2020 - Arise Fashion Week, Sustainable Enterprise
2019 - Graduate Fashion Week
2018 - London Fashion Week
2012 - Africa Fashion Week, London

WORKSHOPS / TEACHING / PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

August 26 - August 27 - Fish Tank Artist Residency Mentor
July 2025 - Sonder, In Flow Workshop, London, UK
June 2025 - Whitechapel Gallery, Workshop (Art Trail), London, UK
April 2025 - Cat Retreat, In Flow Workshop, Limoges, France
June 2024 - United Nations World Creativity & Innovation, Panel & Workshop, London, UK
June 2024 - University of East London, Lecture, London, UK
June 2024 - Northampton University, Lecture & Mentor, London, UK

PRESS

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