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KABLUSIAK

b. 1993 Somba K'e/Yellowknife, NT
Lives and works in amiskwaciy-wâskahikan/Edmonton, AB

EDUCATION

JULY 2017 - JULY 2018

Indigenous Curatorial Research Practicum, Banff Centre for Arts and Creativity, AB

MAY 2016

Bachelor of Fine Art, Alberta University of the Arts, Calgary

APRIL 2013

Fine Art Diploma, MacEwan University, Edmonton, AB

SELECTED EXHIBITIONS | POST MAY 2016

SOLO

2024

Double Feature, Contemporary Art Gallery, Vancouver BC

2023

Qiniqtuaq, Bockley Gallery, Minneapolis MN

2022

Party City (where you belong), Norberg Hall, Calgary AB

mitaaqtuaqtunga (no translation provided), the bows, Calgary AB

Plucked Ookpik + Furby Ookpik, onsite gallery, Toronto ON

2021

Suviittuq! "_(ツ)_/´" · Can't be helped/Too bad! "_(ツ)_/´", YYZ Artist's Outlet, presented by imagineNATIVE Film + Media Arts Festival, Toronto ON

2020

Piliutiyara (saltwater taffy), Gallery TPW in collaboration with Critical Distance, Toronto ON

Ublaak tikiyuak, artspeak, Vancouver BC

akunnirun kuupak, Norberg Hall (previously Jarvis Hall Gallery), Calgary AB

2019

Qiniqtuaq, Esker Foundation Project Space, Calgary AB

akunnirun kuupak, Art Gallery of Alberta, Edmonton AB 2018

Introduction exhibition, Norberg Hall (previously Jarvis Hall Gallery), Calgary AB

2017

Mourn, OPEN SPACES: Windows to a View, Calgary AB

2016

Calm Down, It Never Ends, Stride Gallery +15 Window Space, Calgary AB

GROUP

2024

Survival in the 21st Century, Deichtorhallen Hamburg, Germany

-miut, Mitchell Art Gallery, MacEwan University, Edmonton AB

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Sobey Art Award Exhibition, National Gallery of Canada, Ottawa ON
Drawing on Our History, Carleton University Art Gallery, Ottawa ON
Inuit Sanaugangit: Art Across Time, Winnipeg Art Gallery, Winnipeg, MB
Stay with Me, CAFKA Biennial, Kitchener ON
Kenojuak Ashevak Memorial Award Shortlist Exhibition, Winnipeg Art Gallery, Winnipeg, MB

2022

Art Toronto, Norberg Hall, Calgary AB
After Care, John & Maggie Mitchell Art Gallery Edmonton AB
BEHOLDJEN: New Acquisitions to the AGA Collection, Art Gallery of Alberta, Edmonton AB

2021

Generous Acts, Ociciwan, Edmonton AB

2020

Art Toronto, Norberg Hall (previously Jarvis Hall Gallery), Calgary AB
Yoko Ono: Growing Freedom feat. Water Event 1971/2020, Contemporary Calgary, AB
10 years later, Norberg Hall (previously Jarvis Hall Gallery), Calgary AB
Permanent installation at Wandering Island, Elbow Island, Calgary AB

2019

Art Toronto, Norberg Hall (previously Jarvis Hall Gallery), Toronto ON
Among All These Tundras, Esker Foundation, Calgary AB
Trames narratives/Storylines, Centre d'exposition L'Imagier, Gatineau QC
opapâmācihowak/The Travellers, SAW Gallery, Supermarket Art Fair, Stockholm, Sweden
Let's Talk About Sex, bb, Agnes Etherington Art Centre, Kingston ON

2018

You hold me, as I fumble to emulate your care, TRUCK Contemporary Art, Calgary AB
The Topography of Bodily Sentiments, The New Gallery, Calgary AB
Not the Camera, But the Filing Cabinet: Performative Body Archives in Contemporary Art, Gallery 1C03, Winnipeg MB
Among All These Tundras, Leonard & Bina Ellen Art Gallery, Montreal QC
Sled Dog, Sled Island Visual Art, Calgary AB
Resilience, Mentoring Artists for Women's Art, Various cities across Canada
Only Dog Can Judge Me, Platforms Project, presented by AKA artist-run and Untitled Art Society, Athens, Greece
NÍCHIWAMISKWÉM, Biennale d'art contemporain autochtone, Montreal QC FORWARD
FACING, Critical Distance Centre for Curators, Toronto ON

2016

The Garden, Femme Wave Festival, Calgary AB
Indigenous Filmmaking in Alberta, Provincial Archives of Alberta, Edmonton AB AlterNATIVE:
Indigenous Media Arts, EMMEDIA, Calgary AB

CURATORIAL

2021

INUA, Guest co-curator in collaboration with Heather Igloliorte, Krista Ulujuk Zawadski and

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asinnajaq, inaugural exhibition of Qaumajuq, Winnipeg MB
Guest co-curator in collaboration with Missy LeBlanc, Remai Modern, Saskatoon SK
2020
Show me a good mouser and I'll show you a cat with bad breath, Guest curator, Online programming, Dunlop Art Gallery, Regina SK
2019
Guest co-editor in collaboration with asinnajaq, SPACETIME, Spring issue of Canadian Art
2018
URBAN NDN Film Night, Banff Centre for Arts and Creativity, AB
Co-curator in collaboration with Erin Sutherland, Arrivals, dc3 Art Projects, Edmonton AB

AWARDS | GRANTS

2023
Sobey Art Award, Prairies and North
Kenojuak Ashevak Memorial Award Shortlist
Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Medal, Alberta
2022
Gattuso Prize
2021
Kenojuak Ashevak Memorial Award Shortlist
2020
Lieutenant Governor of Alberta Emerging Artist Award
Research and Creation Canada Council for the Arts Grant
2019
Sobey Art Award shortlist, Prairies and North
2018
TD Insurance Meloche Monnex Career Award for Alumni Primary Colours/Couleurs primaires Emerging Artist Award
2017
Alberta Foundation for the Arts Young Artist Prize

RESIDENCIES

2023
FD13 Residency, Minneapolis MN
2022
Indigenous Arts Intensive, University of British Columbia Okanagan, Kelowna
Fogo Island Arts Sobey Art Award Residency, NL
2020
Kinship Medicines, Banff Centre for Arts and Creativity, AB (cancelled due to COVID-19)
Yukon School of Visual Art Winter Artist-in-Residence, Dawson City
2018
TD North / South Artist Exchange, presented by the Canadian Art Foundation, Inuvik NT
Primary Colours/Couleurs primaires, Banff Centre for Arts and Creativity, AB

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SELECTED ARTIST TALKS | PANELS

2022

Virtual artist talk, the bows, Calgary AB
Art Toronto, ON
Onsite Gallery, Toronto ON
Inuit Studies Conference, Winnipeg MB

2020

Virtual artist talk, Grenfell Campus, Memorial University of Newfoundland
Virtual artist talk, Augustana Campus, University of Alberta
Panelist, Roundtable on Inuit Curatorial Practices, Inuit Futures, Halifax NS
Artist talk, Curating when you're not a curator, Inuit Futures, Halifax NS
Artist talk, Nova Scotia College of Art and Design, Halifax

2019

Panelist, Sobey Art Award Artists' Roundtable, Art Gallery of Alberta, Edmonton
Artist talk, Alberta University of the Arts, Calgary
Artist talk, MacEwan University, Edmonton AB
Artist talk, Esker Foundation, Calgary AB

2018

Panelist, Inuit Curatorial Practices and Approaches, presented by the Indigenous Curatorial Collective / Collectif des commissaires autochtones, Halifax NS
Panelist, Gallery Day Winnipeg: Exhibition Talk, presented by Canadian Art and the Winnipeg Art Gallery, MB
Panelist, The Collective: Indigenous Women lead collectives and initiatives, presented by the Biennale d'art contemporain autochtone, Montreal QC
Panelist, The Current State of Indigenous Curation in Canada, co-presented by the Indigenous Curatorial Collective and the Art Gallery of Southwestern Manitoba, Brandon

2017

Panelist, Thinking through the Museum: Decolonizing and Indigenizing Arts Institutions in Canada, Native American Art Studies Association, Tulsa, OK
Panelist, Alberta Future Leaders Program presented by the Alberta Foundation for the Arts, Edmonton AB
Panelist, From Identity To Practice: Diverse Perspectives of Equity in the Arts presented by Calgary Congress for Equity & Diversity in the Arts in partnership with Sled Island, AB

COLLECTIONS

Alberta Foundation for the Arts
Art Gallery of Alberta
Art Gallery of Ontario
Banff Centre for Arts and Creativity
Canada Council for the Arts
Global Affairs Canada, Visual Art collection - AWBZ
Indigenous Art Collection at Indigenous Affairs and Northern Development Canada

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The Image Centre (Ryerson)
Winnipeg Art Gallery-Qaumajuq Collection
Private collections across Canada

Kablusiak is a multidisciplinary Inuvialuk artist who uses Inuk ingenuity to create work in a variety of mediums including, but not limited to, lingerie, white flour, soapstone, permanent marker, bed sheets, felt, acrylic paint, and words. Their work explores the dis/connections between existence in Inuit diaspora while maintaining family and community ties, the impacts of colonization on Inuit gender and sexuality expressions, as well as trying to make people laugh, and the everyday. In all of their creative work Kablusiak seeks to demystify Inuit art and create the space for Inuit-led representation of the diverse aspects of Inuit cultures. Kablusiak's recognition has extended the boundaries of the exhibition space and their work has been collected widely; most notably the Indigenous Art Centre (CIRNAC), the Art Gallery of Alberta, the Alberta Foundation for the Arts, Walter Phillips Gallery (Banff Centre for Arts & Creativity), The Image Centre, Global Affairs Canada Visual Art Collection, and most recently they were included into the collection of the Art Gallery of Ontario. Kablusiak is represented by Norberg Hall in Mohkínstsis/Calgary, Alberta.