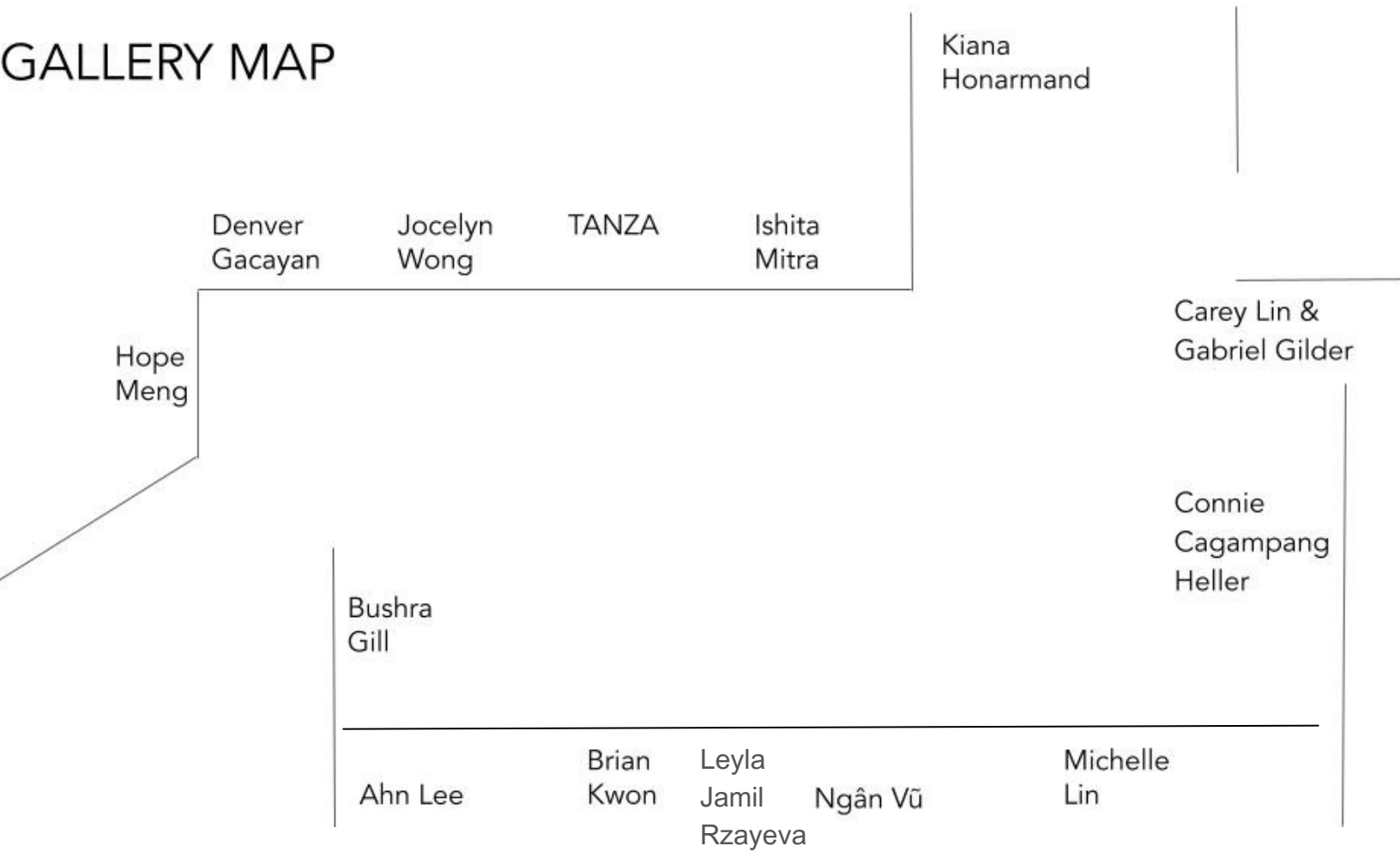

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ALL WE INHERIT

VISUAL ARTS SHOWCASE
ARC GALLERY & STUDIO – 10/14-11/4

GALLERY MAP



CURATORIAL STATEMENT

How we are defined and what we do comes from somewhere. In *All We Inherit*, each artist shows us a little bit of themselves by presenting a cultural, ancestral and personal past - and points us towards future possibilities.

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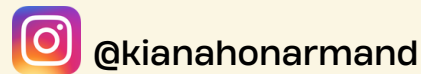
KIANA HONARMAND



FEATURED ARTIST

Kiana Honarmand is an Iranian-born artist whose work delves into the complexities of her cultural identity, the violation of women's rights in Iran, censorship, surveillance, and the Western perception of the SWANA identity. In 2012, she relocated to the United States to pursue a Master of Fine Arts degree at Penn State University. Currently residing and working in the San Francisco Bay Area, California, Kiana's art has been exhibited in numerous renowned venues both nationally and internationally.

<https://www.kianahonarmand.com/>

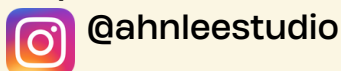


AHN LEE

SHOWCASE ARTIST

Ahn Lee is a nonbinary, queer Cantonese artist and researcher. Their interdisciplinary practice of ceramics, media and performance relies on a combined methodology of autobiographical re-making and research on the Cantonese diaspora. As a of Sunwui (Xinhui) descent, Ahn explores their ancestral roots to this contested site of capitalism and imperialism through leveraging archival research historiography, critical race and gender theory. Ahn is an MFA graduate of the UC Berkeley Art Practice Department, class of 2022. They are the 2021 Murphy Award Winner, a 2022 Watershed Ceramics Zenobia Fellow, and a 2022-23 Headlands Center for the Arts Graduate Fellow.

<https://www.a-z-lee.com/>



BRIAN KWON



SHOWCASE ARTIST

Artist, poet, and amateur mythographer based in the Bay Area.

<https://www.beekay.art/>



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BUSHRA GILL

SHOWCASE ARTIST

Bushra Gill is interested in finding order within the chaos of everyday life through art. She was born in Karachi, Pakistan, and emigrated to Houston, Texas, with her family as a small child. Drawn to art from a young age, she graduated from Pratt Institute in 1994, with a BFA in sculpture. She spent many years of working as a museum educator at various galleries and museums including The Museum of Modern Art, The Drawing Center and The Rotunda Gallery, while also working as a studio assistant to various artists, as well as a career as a clothing designer and boutique owner in New York. In 2009, she moved to northern California with her family and returned to making art. In recent years, Gill has participated in multiple exhibitions on the West Coast.

<https://www.bushragill.com/>



@bushradraws



CONNIE CAGAMPANG HELLER

SHOWCASE ARTIST



Connie Cagampang Heller is a biracial Filipina American textile artist based in Oakland, CA. Her work explores race in America--capturing both what is beautiful and inspiring about people and disturbing about systems of exploitation, extraction and marginalization. Her work has been shown at Creative Resilience, the Northern California Museum of Art, the National Academy of Medicine, Harvard Law School's Charles Hamilton Houston Institute for Race & Justice, the California Historical Society and Tufts' Tisch College for Civic Life.

[www. projectlinkedfate.org](http://www.projectlinkedfate.org)

TANZA

SHOWCASE ARTIST

TANZA is a multidisciplinary artist who specializes in visual storytelling by way of figurative painting, graphic narrative, and fiber arts featuring intense, emotionally confrontational imagery. He is especially drawn to explorations of gender, intimacy, encounters with the sublime, and pre-colonial history; these explorations are necessarily informed by his experience as a queer, transgender man born of the Filipino diaspora. He currently resides in the SF Bay Area and works at California College of the Arts.

<https://www.manyhandscreative.art/>



@manyhandscreative



CAREY LIN & GABRIEL GILDER

SHOWCASE ARTIST



Carey Lin and Gabriel Gilder are San Francisco-based visual artists. Lin & Gilder have collaborated since 2016. Their work has been presented at The Roxie Theater, Artists Television Access (ATA), Your Mood Gallery, Aggregate Space Gallery, Incline Gallery, New Parkway Theater, Screen Share Video Gallery, and Tropical Contemporary. In 2021, their film “Shelter in Play,” was an official selection at the San Francisco Independent Short Film Festival.

<https://www.careylin.com>

HOPE MENG

SHOWCASE ARTIST

Hope Meng (b. 1977) is a San Francisco artist whose work combines typography with textiles. Following a long career in graphic design, Hope now creates sewn fabric compositions using a typographic system that she developed, based on the visual language of quilt patterns. Hope has exhibited at the Oakland Museum of CA (Hella Feminist), the Berkeley Art Museum, and Scalehouse Gallery in Bend, OR. Her work is in the collections of SFMOMA and the Oakland Museum.

hopemeng.com



@hopemengdesign



LEYLA JAMIL RZAYEVA

SHOWCASE ARTIST



Leyla Jamil Rzayeva is an interdisciplinary artist whose research and practice bring the personal knowledge of contemporary culture of West Asia to uncover the stories that have shaped her family and transnational history. Using photography, painting, and work with textiles Leyla presents the themes of memory creation, internal ecologies and immigration to critique my relationship with colonialism, cultural migration and constructed self narrative.

<https://rzayeva.com>



@leylajamilrzayeva

DENVER GACAYAN

SHOWCASE ARTIST

Denver Gacayan is a Filipino interdisciplinary artist born and raised in the Bay Area. Their work highlights experiences as a child of immigrants and coming out as nonbinary. They started practicing art in 2015, receiving a BA in Studio Art from San Francisco State University in 2018, and has exhibited in galleries throughout the Bay Area. Lately they've been seen taking photographs with a Balikbayan box and leaving cyanotypes in the wild.

<https://www.denvergacayan.com/>



@lettucebamp



NGÂN VŨ



SHOWCASE ARTIST

Ngân Vũ (she/her) is a Vietnamese-American visual artist, photographer and storyteller, exploring the depths of identity, culture, and vulnerability in her work. As a first-generation immigrant and daughter of the Vietnamese diaspora, she draws inspiration from her vibrant community and ancestral lineage. Ngân's creative practice, rooted in autoethnographic and collaborative documentary approaches, harnesses the transformative power of personal storytelling to cultivate collective intergenerational healing within our shared narratives. Her work aims to evoke empathy and foster a heart-centered tenderness in human connection.,,

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JOCELYN WONG

SHOWCASE ARTIST

Jocelyn Wong is a San Francisco-based artist who is originally from Boston, but moved west for school. She is currently a senior Fine Arts major at University of San Francisco, specializing in relief printmaking. She draws inspiration from tattoo culture and imagery, textile patterns, and East Asian religious imagery.



@pisspoorpainter



MICHELLE LIN



SHOWCASE ARTIST

Michelle Lin is an artist, cultural worker, and author of the poetry collection "A House Made of Water" (Sibling Rivalry Press, 2017). The firstborn daughter of Taiwanese immigrants, their poetry and art practice are rituals of grief and healing from the violence of patriarchy, capitalism, and American assimilation. Passionate about building loving, liberating spaces for diasporic artists of color, they co-host KSW's podcast "We Won't Move: A Living Archive" and direct the Artist Growth Program at ARTogether in Oakland.

michellelinmakes.com



@sadwitheyebrows

ISHITA MITRA

SHOWCASE ARTIST

Ishita Mitra (she/her) is an educator and artist from the South Bay. Her artistic practice explores questions and intersections of ancestry, separation, decolonization, and endurance through the use of screen printing and mixed media. She currently teaches 4th grade to future artists in Oakland and is an artist-in-residence at Kala Art Institute in Berkeley, CA.



@i_mitra



APATURE 2023

ARTISTS

Performing Arts

King LOTUS BOY (featured artist)
Kim Requesto
Marwa Doost

Meghana Ravikumar
SF Adavu
Xinye Lin

Comics, Zines, & Illustration

Nicolette McConn
Havannah Tran
bao diep
Jasmin Regato
Leah Yael Levy

Jane Trieu
Sean Lin
Yuting Wang
Sapphic Bushtit
Ann Chen

Music

Son of Paper (featured artist)
Amihan
mayari

Bersea
Noah Kawaguchi
Scott Oshiro

Film

Adamu Chan (featured artist)
Yasmine Gomez
Tracy Nguyen

Jinji
Sabina Kariat
Jalena Keane-Lee

Literary Arts

Shelley Wong (featured artist)
Rowena Leong Singer
Nicola Andrews
K Dulai

Lucie Pereira
Danica Li
Alder Duan Hurley

APAture 2023 Schedule

APAture 2023 Festival Kick-Off

Saturday, October 14th, 4-6pm (limited viewing) 6-9pm (Visual Arts Opening Reception)
Arc Gallery & Studios, 1246 Folsom Street, San Francisco, CA 94103

All We Inherit

a Visual Arts Showcase (co-presented by Arc Gallery & Studios)
October 14 - November 4 (Exhibition on display)
Arc Gallery & Studios, 1246 Folsom Street, San Francisco, CA 94103

Resonance

a Performing Arts Showcase
Wednesday, October 18th, 7-9pm
SF Oasis, 298 11th St., San Francisco, CA 94103

Outspoken

a Comics, Zines, & Illustration Showcase
Saturday, October 21st, 12-3pm
Arc Gallery & Studios, 1246 Folsom Street, San Francisco, CA 94103

Sonic Memories

a Music Showcase (co-presented by Chinese Culture Center)
Wednesday, October 25th, 7pm-10pm
Lion's Den Lounge and Bar, 57 Wentworth Pl, San Francisco

Open Gallery Sound Bath and Meditation

Saturday, October 28th, 12-3pm
Arc Gallery & Studios, 1246 Folsom Street, San Francisco, CA 94103

Unearthing

a Film Showcase (co-presented by SF Urban Film Fest and Yerba Buena Center for the Arts)
Sunday, October 29th, 2-4:30pm
Yerba Buena Center for the Arts 701 Mission St.

Seeking Home

a Literary Arts Showcase (co-presented by Kundiman)
Wednesday, November 1st, 7-9pm
Arc Gallery & Studios, 1246 Folsom Street, San Francisco, CA 94103

APAture 2023 Closing Reception and Artist Talk

Saturday, November 4, 12-3pm
Arc Gallery & Studios, 1246 Folsom Street, San Francisco, CA 94103