Keerat Kaur

EDUCATION

2016	John H. Daniels Faculty of Architecture, Landscape, and Design, University of Toronto. Toronto, ON Master of Architecture
2012	University of Western Ontario, London, ON B.A. Honours Double Major Biology and Visual Arts
2008	Sir Wilfrid Laurier Secondary School French Immersion, London ON O.S.S.D. French Immersion Certificate

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

2024-present 2022 2021 2017	The Prince's School of Traditional Arts, London, UK Basohli/Guler Miniature Painting (instructor: Susana Marin) Jodhpur Miniature Painting (instructor: Samantha Buckley) Persian Miniature Painting (instructor: Vaishali Prazmari) Introduction to Byzantine Icon Painting (instructor: Hannah Ward)
2009-present	The Anad Foundation, Delhi, India Summer and Winter Training Program: Dhrupad Gurbani Keertan vocal training with Bhai Baldeep Singh
2018-present	Suraj Prakash Granth Mentorship, London, ON Study of historical Sikh texts with scholar Harkinder Chahal of Jatha Bhindran
2018-present	Agra Gharana, Bangalore, India Vocal training in Khayal Indian Classical Vocals with Aditi Kaikini Upadhya
2014	Escola da Cidade, São Paulo, Brazil Global Architecture Program (in affiliation with the University of Toronto)

EXHIBITION HISTORY

2025	Non-Residency (Group Show, curated by Rajiv Menon Contemporary) Jaipur Centre for Art, City Palace Jaipur, Rajasthan, India
2025	Nānaka Ive Jānīe (Group Show, curated by Sonia Dhami) Loyola Marymount University LA
2024	Chardi Kala: Rising Above Adversity (Group Show, curated by Colin Pearson) Phoenix Art Museum, Phoenix AZ
2024	Musawwari: Miniatures Today (Group Show, curated by Khushboo Jain) Ojas Art Gallery, New Delhi India
2024	I Will Meet You Yet Again (Group Show, curated by Sonia Dhami) Fowler Museum, UCLA, Los Angeles, CA
2023	Poetics of Vitality, (Solo Show, curated by Kelley Tialiou) The Reach Gallery Museum, Abbotsford BC
2023	Online Fundraising Auction with C Magazine and Waddingtons
2023	Des Pardes (Group Show, curated by Gureena Sran) The Reach Gallery Museum, Abbotsford BC
2023	Panjabi Garden (Solo show, guest curated by Sikh Heritage Month) Peel Art Gallery Museum and Archives
2023	Panjabi Garden (Solo show, curated by Suvi Bains) Surrey Art Gallery
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2022	Hope (guest-curated by Sandeep Johal) Two Rivers Gallery, Prince George BC
2021	Chashm-e-Bulbul (curated by Raji Aujla, as part of Artworx TO) Bayview Village (Gallery), North York ON
2020	Women Pathmakers (curated by Diana Argrabrite, Director of Arts & Schools, De Anza College) Euphrat Museum of Art, Cupertino CA
2020	PREM: A Night of Emergence (curated by Jasmine Johal, PREM Arts Coordinator, in affiliation with Bell Let's Talk) Studio Bell Calgary AB
2019	Charged Up: 905 Talks Climate (curated by Malkeet Sandhu, Community Organizer, David Suzuki Foundation) Brampton City Hall, Brampton ON
2019	Expressions of Divinity (curated by María Esther Fernández, Curator of Art & Education, Triton Museum of Art) Triton Museum of Art, Santa Clara CA
2018	Fragrances of Sikhism (curated by Ajooni Sethi, Sikh Spiritual Advisor, University of Chicago) University of Chicago, Chicago IL
2017	Sikh Heritage Month Art Gala (curated by Annemarie Hagan, Curator, Peel Art Gallery Museum+Archives) Peel Art Gallery Museum+Archives, Brampton ON
2014	Global Architecture Exhibition: 2D representations of 3D works (curated by Alexander Pilis, Architect) Daniels Faculty of Landscape, Architecture, and Design, Toronto ON

PRESS & PUBLICATIONS (links are safe and have been shortened for visual ease)

2024	<i>Grazia India</i> "Explore the Art of Miniature Paintings with "Musawwari: Miniatures Today" by Deanne Barua. LINK: https://shorturl.at/4Z08n
2024	<i>Indulge Express</i> "Musawwari reimagined: An exhibition of miniature art in the modern world" by Nitika Krishna. LINK: https://shorturl.at/4SKxb
2024	Ojas Art Gallery. "Musawwari: Miniatures Today" LINK: https://shorturl.at/PrkyQ
2024	Fowler Museum Exhibition Press Release. "I Will Meet You Yet Again: Contemporary Sikh Art" LINK: https://shorturl.at/ciDVi
2023	La Source, "Des jardins panjabi pour penser et rever dans la langue traditionnelle" by Amelie Lebrun. LINK: https://rb.gy/p6rkks
2023	CBC Vancouver, <i>On The Coast</i> with Gloria Macarenko "Canadian artist Keerat Kaur's exhibition at the Surrey Art Gallery explores the Panjabi language and nature," radio segment aired on Jan. 23, 2023. LINK: https://rb.gy/xb3mru
2023	The Surrey Now, "'Panjabi Garden' celebrates language and Gurmukhi script in new Surrey Art Gallery show" By Tom Zillich
2023	Umeed: 7 Artists of the South-Asian Diaspora, print publication, pages 46-53, Two Rivers Gallery, Prince George BC
2022	The Vital Anjan, "Visualizing Sikhi's Metaphors." LINK: https://rb.gy/sb2doa
2022	Splendors of Punjab Heritage, print publication, pages 234-235, Roli Books, in collaboration with the Smithsonian Museum
2022	Panjabi Garden, self-published, written and illustrated Panjabi language-learning book
2022	KoozArch Feature - "Abstrevolution in Punjabi Architecture" LINK: https://rb.gy/wta8ed
2019	Elle India - Social Media feature for the Pink Guava EP project
2019	Vogue International - Featured Visual Artist

AWARDS & RESIDENCIES

2025	NVRC Artist Residency - North Vancouver
2024	BC Arts Council - Professional Development Grant
2023	Surrey Muse Award - Visual Arts
2022	Jericho Fellowship - Venice, Italy
2020	Canada Council for the Arts - Create and Research Grant
2019	Forest City Gallery Artist Residency (in affiliation with TAP Centre for Creativity) - London ON
2019	Ontario Arts Council - Skills and Career Development: Indigenous Arts Professionals and Arts Professionals of Colour
2018	Ontario Arts Council - National and International Residency Grant
2016	Toronto Society of Architects Scholarship - Awarded for presenting a graduate thesis that demonstrates an innovative approach to city building and urban form

TEACHING, WORKSHOPS & RESIDENCIES

2023	Surrey Art Gallery - Language and Illustration workshop
2022	Virtual Studio with Apple Inc.
2021	Sikh Heritage Month Manitoba - Online Painting Workshop, highlighting 'Langar' or 'free kitchen' in Sikhism
2019	H.B. Beal Secondary School - Resident Artist & Teaching Assistant in affiliation with Forest City Gallery
2016	5 Rivers Youth Organization, University of Alberta - Guest Speaker & Workshop Lead
2014-2015	University of Toronto - Teaching Assistant

VOCAL PERFORMANCES & ARTIST TALKS

2024	Artist Talk, with artists Nep Sidhu and Jatinder Durhailay, moderated by curator Davinder Toor - Wallace Collection, London UK
2024	Poetry Reading, Performance and Artist Talk - Fowler Museum, UCLA
2023	Artist Talk and Performance, Dhahan Prize Ceremonies - Surrey BC
2023	Artist Talk, Kwantlen Polytechnic University - Surrey BC
2023	Artist Talk, Poetry Reading and Vocal Performane - Surrey Art Gallery, Surrey BC
2023	Performance, in collaboration with Ali Sethi - Commodore Ballroom, Vancouver BC
2022	Artist Talk, with artist Sunroop Kaur and curator Sandeep Johal, moderated by curator Jas Lally - Two Rivers Gallery, Prince George BC
2020	Artist Talk and Performance, PREM: A Night of Emergence (in affiliation with Bell Let's Talk) - Studio Bell Calgary AB
2020	Performance, Hugh's Room Live - Toronto ON
2019	Performance, in conversation with installation piece by Hera Büyüktaşçıyan - Toronto Biennial, Toronto ON
2019	Performance, Jaipur Literature Festival - Young Centre for the Performing Arts, Toronto ON
2019	Performance, City of Toronto YYZ LIVE- Pearson International Airport, Toronto ON
2019	Performance, City of Toronto City Hall Live - Nathan Philips Square, Toronto ON
2017	Performance, Sikh Heritage Month Closing Reception - City Hall, Brampton ON
2017	Performance, Rupi Kaur Live - Rose Theatre, Brampton ON
2016	Performance, Government of Bihar Celebration of Guru Gobind Singh - Rajgir Convention Centre, Bihar, India

2016	Performance, 5 Rivers Youth Organization - University of Alberta, Edmondton ON
2015	Performance, Rupi Kaur's UK "Milk and Honey" UK launch - The Rag Factory, London UK

COMMISSIONED WORK

2025	BOSA Properties Public Art (sculpture) at PKWY, Surrey BC
2025	Surrey Art Gallery 'Welcome Banners', Surrey BC
2025	Canucks Sports & Entertainment (NHL), Vancouver BC
2024	Punjabi Market Collective 'Vaisakhi Rumaal Design,' Vancouver BC
2023	TransLink Ground Mosaic Project, Surrey BC
2023	Penguin Random House
2022	Bank of Montreal Mural Series, London ON
2019	Vancouver Mural Fest, Vancouver BC
2018	South Asian Canadian Histories Association, Vancouver BC
2018	Kashi House CIC, London UK

ACQUISITIONS IN PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

Surrey Art Gallery Surrey BC

Montreal Museum of Fine Arts Montreal, QC

ARCHITECTURE & DESIGN

2016-present	Ontario Association of Architects - Licensed Architect and Member
2020-2024	L360 Architecture - Architect (part-time and project-based) London ON
2017-2019	Philip Agar Architect Inc Intern Architect London ON
2016 - 2017	Cornerstone Architecture Inc Intern Architect London ON
2015	Khoury Levit Fong Inc Junior Designer Toronto ON