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GALLERY REPRESENTATION

Winston Wächter Fine Art, New York, NY

Winston Wächter Fine Art, Seattle

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2022 "Personal Space," Winston Wächter Fine Art Seattle

All 2021 "My Eyes Need Beauty," Winston Wächter Fine Art Seattle

2019 "Culture and Sea," Blink, Seattle

2018 "Culture and Sea," Winston Wächter Fine Art Seattle

2017 "New Works," Winston Wächter Fine Art Seattle

2017 "Ebb and Flow," Red Ticking, Seattle

MUSEUM EXHIBITIONS

2022

"Human/Nature Exhibition," Lishui Photography Festival, Lishui Photography Museum, Lishui, China, Curator: Laura Moya, Director Photolucida

2021

National Museum of Anthropology, Villahermosa, Tabasco, Mexico, Curator: Gulnara Samoilova and Polly Irungu

"Human/Nature Exhibition," Lishui Photography Festival, Lishui Art Museum, Lishui, China, Curator: Laura Moya, Director Photolucida

ART FAIRS

2023 PHOTOFAIRS NYC, represented by Winston Wächter Fine Art New York

2018 Seattle Art Fair, represented by Winston Wächter Fine Art Seattle

2017 Seattle Art Fair, represented by Winston Wächter Fine Art Seattle

MONOGRAPH

"All the Colors I Am Inside," Kehrer Verlag, 2023

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2023

"Julia Margaret Cameron Award Exhibition," Barcelona, Spain

"Portrait: Self and Others," PhotoPlace Gallery, Middlebury, VT

2022

"2022 Portrait Issue #114," F-Stop Magazine

"Unconventional Portraiture," Winston Wächter Fine Art, New York, NY

"The NFT Collection," Winston Wächter Fine Art, New York, NY

"Women Street Photographers," Artspace Gallery, New York, NY, Jurors: Gulnara Samoilova and Debra Klomp Ching

2021

"25th Anniversary Exhibition," Winston Wächter Fine Art, New York, NY

"Inaugural Virtual Exhibition," Women's Street Photographers, New York, NY, Curator: Gulnara Samoilova

2020

"Women Street Photographers," Artspace Gallery, New York, NY, Juror: Gulnara Samoilova

"The Heart Goes Nine," Rhode Island Center for Photographic Arts, Providence, RI, Juror: J. Sybylla Smith

2019

"Women Street Photographers," Artspace Gallery, New York, NY, Juror: Gulnara Samoilova

"Women Street Photographers," Sofia Photo Festival, Sofia, Bulgaria

"Women Street Photographers," Foto Festival, Bielsko-Biala, Poland

2018

"Women Street Photographers," Artspace Gallery, New York, NY, Juror: Gulnara Samoilova

"Travel: Faces and Places," PhotoPlace Gallery, Middlebury, VT, Juror: Krista Rossow

"World Water Day Photography Exhibition," Seregno, Italy

"Color Space Contemporary Photography," Black Box Gallery, Portland, OR, Juror: Todd Johnson

"Humans," New York Center for Photographic Arts, New York, NY, Juror: Crista Dix

"Water," PhotoPlace Gallery, Middlebury, VT, Juror: Ann Jastrab

Bridges Short Film Festival, *Michael Schultheis: In the Studio*, Stockholm, Sweden

2017

“The Decisive Moment,” PhotoPlace Gallery, Middlebury, VT, Juror: Sam Abell

Short Film, *Michael Schulties: In the Studio*, Winston Wachter Fine Art Seattle

“Second Chances,” SE Center for Photography, Greenville, SC, Juror: Danae Males

“Artists for Progress,” Piranha Gallery, Seattle, WA, Curator: Jennifer Ament

“Glass,” New York Center for Photographic Arts, New York, NY, Juror: Traer Scott

“Color: The Visual Spectrum,” Black Box Gallery, Portland, OR, Juror: Todd Johnson

“Summertime” (three photographs selected), A Smith Gallery, Johnson City, TX, Juror: Sandrine Hermand-Grisel

Online exhibition, “Fine Art Photography Awards,” conceptual and fine art categories, London, UK, Jurors: Tim Franco, Nadia Dias, Liza Van der Stock, Matilde Gattoni, Amélie Labourdette, Valery Klamm and Pierre Abensur

“Liquid,” New York Center for Photographic Arts, New York, NY, Juror: Debra Klomp Ching

“Intimate Portraits,” PhotoPlace Gallery, Middlebury, VT, Juror: Joyce Tenneson

Online exhibition, “The Mind’s Eye. All About Photo,” Merit Gallery, Jurors: Beatrice Chassepot, Julien Chatelin, James Dooley, Susan Dooley, Eileen Gittins, Sandrine Hermand-Grisel, Ann Jastrab, Aline Smithson, Judy Walgren, Sabine Weiss.

“Open Juried Exhibition,” Vermont Center for Photography, Brattleboro, VT, Juror: Karen Haas

2016

The Magic of a Second, Seattle International Film Festival

Short Film, *Tracy Rocca: In the Studio*, Winston Wachter Fine Art Seattle

“Portraiture,” Black Box Gallery, Portland, OR, Juror: Kelli Pennington

“Home,” Santa Fe Photographic Workshops, Santa Fe, NM, Jurors: Paula Tognarelli, Nancy Baron, Olivier Laurent, and Reid Callanan

“Portal,” SE Center for Photography, Greenville, SC, Juror: Lori Vrba

SELECTED COLLECTIONS

Santa FE Photographic Workshops, Santa Fe, NM

AWARDS AND HONORS

FINALIST, Critical Mass Top 200, Portland, OR, 2023

JULIA MARGARET CAMERON AWARD, 2023

FINALIST, Critical Mass Top 200, Portland, OR, 2021

WINNING PHOTO, “Women Street Photographers Inaugural Exhibition,” Artspace Gallery, New York, NY, 2018, Juror: Gulnara Samoilova

SECOND PRIZE, “Humans,” New York Center for Photographic Arts, New York, NY, 2018, Juror: Crista Dix

FINALIST, "Fine Art Photography Awards" (conceptual and fine art categories), London, UK, 2017
JUROR SELECTION (two submissions) and Honorable Mention, "Liquid," New York Center for Photographic Arts, New York, NY, 2017
FINALIST, "Open Juried Exhibition," Vermont Center for Photography, Brattleboro, VT, 2017
MERIT GALLERY WINNER, "The Mind's Eye," All About Photo, 2017
WINNING FILM, *The Magic of a Second*, Seattle International Film Festival, 2016

BIBLIOGRAPHY (*Reviews)

"Women Street Photographers," edited by Gulnara Samoilova, Prestel Publishing, 2021, *The Queue*, pg 75. Print.

"The Aquatic Street by Deb Achak," All About Photo, February 2021

"Introducing the art of Deb Achak," DESTIG Magazine, Best of 2020, Issue 09, January 2021

"Interview with Deb Achak," UP Photographers, March 2020

"Deb Achak's Swimmer's-eye View," Art Zone with Nancy Guppy, February 2019

"Inside a Strikingly Modern Tudor Home in Seattle," *MyDomaine Magazine*, December 2018

"Seductive Doom," *Real Life Magazine*, June 2018

"The Queue," *City Arts Magazine*, June 2018

* "Thirteen things to do in Seattle," *Crosscut Magazine*, May 2018

* "Nancy Guppy shares a weekend full of entertainment options," *New Day Northwest*, May 2018

"Inside a Medina, Washington Home," *Elle Decor*, January 2018.

Cover Photograph, *Luxe Interiors and Design*, Nov/Dec 2017

"A Designer's Capitol Hill Seattle Home," *Apartment Therapy*, October 2017

"This Photographer Transformed Her Attic Into an Office," *Domino Magazine*, August 2017

"She Told Us To Trust Our Intuition, by Deb Achak," *Fraction Magazine, Issue 99*, June 2017

"Photo of the Day," *Don't Take Pictures*, April 2017

"The 2017 All About Photo Award Winners," *Lenscratch Fine Art Photography Daily*, April 2017.

PODCAST INTERVIEW

White Cube/Black Coffee: Ep. 1 - Deb Achak. Podcast interview by Sofya Belinskaya. 2018.

<https://soundcloud.com/whitecubeblackcoffee/white-cube-black-coffee-ep1-deb-achak>

EDUCATION

University of Washington, Seattle, Washington, MSW

University of New Hampshire, Durham, New Hampshire, BA