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Sivan Lavie (1992) is an interdisciplinary artist based in New York City. Sivan believes we are here to heal and feel the big colorful moving weirdness of the universe, and therefore builds her own parallel universe of colorful fun, meditative calm, emotional processing and childlike wonder aimed at the body and senses. She makes paintings, drawings and poetry. She's had solo shows in the UK, Switzerland, the USA and in Israel-Palestine. Notably she's exhibited in The Water Mill Center (NY), Magasin III Jaffa Vitrine (IL), Beit Hatfutzot Museum (IL), HIT Gallery (CA), Satellite Gallery (NY), Gapäckausgabe (CH), Öff (CH), Angus-Hughes Gallery (UK), Barbur Gallery, (IL) Rothschild Foundation (IL) and Kupferman Foundation (IL), alongside many more artist-run spaces.

EDUCATION

2018 Fine Art MFA with Honors, Bezalel Academy of Art and Design, Israel-Palestine
2015 Art and Science MA, Central Saint Martins, United Kingdom
2013 Psychology BSc with Honors, University of Birmingham, United Kingdom

SELECTED EXHIBITIONS

2025 *Upside Down Zebra*, group show curated by Brian Belott, **Water Mill Art Center**, Water Mill, NY

Confessional Flowers, group show curated by Sivan Lavie with Ingrid Yi-Chen Lu, Rachel McLaughlin and Austin Ansbro, **Satellite Gallery**, New York, NY

Ice cream on the tip of my tongue, solo show organized by Nick Stinson, **Stinson House**, Houston, TX

Girls just wanna, group show curated by Ayala Landow, **New Teddy Gallery**, Jerusalem, Israel-Palestine

2023 *Lemon's Chair*, group with Peter Gray Hurley, Maddie Putnam and Gary Katiya. **HIT SF Gallery**,
San Francisco, CA

On Sensitivity, solo outdoor show, **Ein Yarda Water Spring**, Israel-Palestine

ENDLESS COLOR, group show curated by Gal Vardi, **333 Gallery**, Tel Aviv, Israel-Palestine

DREAM GURLZ, group show, **Binyamin gallery**, Tel Aviv, Israel-Palestine

Green Christmas, group show curated by Ariadne Arendt, **EVERYTHING IS ART Gallery**, Montenegro

Desert Stories, organized by Kyle Durrie, **Power and Light Press**, New Mexico, USA

Love feels so good from the inside, solo show, **Öffspace**, Zurich, Switzerland

PARK SHOW, solo outdoor show, **Brower Park and Sewer Park**, NYC, NY

2022 *My lucky heart*, solo show curated by Karmit Galili, **Magasin III Book Store Vitrine Gallery**, Jaffa, Israel-Palestine

2021 *My colorful body*, solo show in collaboration with musician Nicolette Hsu, **Gepäckausgabe**, Glarus, Switzerland

G-d o G-d, where are you taking me? Solo show, **Celestial Offerings Gallery**, Zfat, Israel-Palestine

The End, residency group show curated by Rel Barzilay, **Kikar Zion Gallery**, Jerusalem, Israel-Palestine

2020 *Let there be glitter*, solo show curated by Doron Furman, **Central Bus Station Gallery**, Tel Aviv, Israel-Palestine

2019 *THE HOLE*, solo show, **Mallord's telephone exchange**, London, UK

My heart fills the room, solo show, **The Red House**, Tel Aviv, Israel-Palestine

UNPAID VACATION, group show, **Left Bank**, Tel Aviv, Israel-Palestine

Hagada Shel Pesach, group show, **Barbur Gallery**, Jerusalem, Israel-Palestine

Three Crushers, three person show with Orr Herz and Tal Rosen, **Gvulot 13**, Tel Aviv, Israel-Palestine

2018 *NEW!*, solo show, **Hazit window display gallery**, Tel Aviv, Israel-Palestine

You are love, solo show, **Southern Lights art festival**, Beersheva, Israel-Palestine

LETTING IN THE SUN, MFA Thesis Exhibition, **Bezalel Academy**, Tel Aviv, Israel-Palestine

BOXES, solo show with guest artists, **Hazit window display gallery**, Tel Aviv, Israel-Palestine
After Midnight, group show curated by Maya Perry, **Herzl 16**, Tel Aviv, Israel-Palestine

Barbur B&B, group show, **Barbur Gallery**, Jerusalem, Israel-Palestine

2017 *I couldn't get over it so I hid underneath*, solo show, **Hazit Gallery**, Tel Aviv, Israel-Palestine

MAIL, solo show, **Eti Levi Projects**, Tel Aviv, Israel-Palestine

Native Landscape, group show, **The Museum of the Jewish People at Beit Hatfutsot**, Tel Aviv, Israel-Palestine

Inside/Outside, group show curated by Matan Oren, **Rothschild Foundation**, Tel Aviv, Israel-Palestine

FOMO, group show, **SBY Gallery**, Tel Aviv, Israel-Palestine

Touch Me Baby, group exhibition, **Bad Art**, London, UK

Painting heaven, group show, **Kupferman Foundation**, Ghetto Fighters Kibbutz, Israel-Palestine

NEW FRIENDS, group show, **Bezalel Gallery**, Tel Aviv, Israel-Palestine

2016 *Magical Offspring*, group show, **Geddes Gallery**, London, UK

6x9, group show. **Angus-Hughes Gallery**, London, UK

2015 *We Are All Very Anxious*, group show, **Doomed Gallery**, London, UK

HUMAN NATURE, group show, **The Archive Gallery**, London, UK

Tilde (~), group show, **26 Coronet Street**, London, UK

Print/4, group show, **Oval Space**, London, UK

GRANTS, SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

2024	Nominated for the Israel-Palestine Makov Award at the Ashdod Art Museum of art
2023	Residency grant, Power and Lights, NM
2021	Gepaeckausgabe exhibition funding
2019	Academic Excellence Honors Award, MFA program, Bezalel Academy, Tel Aviv

- 2018** Kivunim company, exhibition grant for Southern Lights festival
- 2018** Bezalel Academy Academic Excellence Award
- 2017** Amitei Bezalel, Scholarship courtesy of Rothschild Foundation and Bezalel Academy of Art and Design

RESIDENCIES

- 2023** Vady Yanshuf Farm, Rosh Pina
Zorthian Ranch, Los Angeles, USA
Power and Lights Residency, New Mexico, USA
- 2022** Ponderosa, with Staphanie Mayer, Germany
- 2021** Gepackausbauge, Glarus, 1+1 Residency, Switzerland
Kikar Zion Residency Program, Jerusalem
Celestial Offerings Gallery and residency space, Zefat, Israel-Palestine
- 2020** Central Bus station, curated by Doron Furman
- 2019** Barbur Gallery, Jerusalem, as part of Barbur B&B residency
- 2019** Mallord's Telephone Exchange, London
- 2017-18** Artist in resident at Ajial primary school, Jaffa, courtesy of Rothschild Foundation and Bezalel Academy of Art and Design

PRINT PUBLICATIONS AND CHAPBOOKS

- 2023** *An Apple a Day (& other forms of soothing love)*, chapbook. Inkfish Studio, Zurich, Switzerland.

Poetry Collection, as part of EARTHBOUND POETRY SERIES. Earthbound Press, London, UK.
- 2022/2019** Affirmation Sticker book, self published
- 2018** *Momentum*, Artist book and spiritual guide, self published

POEM AND SHORT STORY PUBLICATIONS

- 2025** *A lady (me) is pulling down with an umbrella*, and *Today I hurled a candle*, SUDS zine, NYC.

2 Love Poems: Feather Ball Badminton and *An Apple a Day*, The Burning Palace, NYC.
<https://theburningpalace.substack.com/p/feather-ball-badminton-and-an-apple>

Amygdala Disco Party, Hobart Pulp, NYC,
https://www.hobartpulp.com/web_features/amygdala-disco-party

2023 *Hot brains*, Minto press. I know you are but what am I? Minto quarterly, volume 5, November 2023.
Fuzz, story story. In *Pure Paragraphs*, Happy Apple Press, edited by Kevin McNamee Tweed and Bradley King. May 2023.

My heart is a steering wheel, poem. Write Haus magazine, Issue 2. January 2023.

Lipstick, poem. SPECTRA Poets, Sept 2022.

2022 *God sits under my thumb and waits*, poem. Write Haus Magazine, July 2022.

4 Clovers, *Midnight opera in the dark*, *Berry Love*, poems. *Keith LLC Journal*, Jan 2022.

Visual anger poems. Care Where? Zine, December 2020.

2020 *Five Body Poems: An orchestra of feelings; I am so angry now said my chest; Feather ball badminton; My favorite color; Para*. Poems. Care Where? Zine, November 2020.

PARA and *TINNITUS*. Poems. Beepy Bella's fairytale book, March 2020.

The happy baby within, essay. Care Where? Zine, October 2020.

MUSIC RELEASES

2025 *Lavender and roses in my heart (Dying Jesus)*, Song, co-created with Colton Brassie, as part of the album *Girls Just Wanna Have Fun*, Weird Music Records, CT

Beatfoot x Bugle Boy, *Where have I been all my life* (based on my poem *How to heal a broken heart*), song. As part of the album 💖 TOO CUTE 💖, Life and Death Records, Tel Aviv

2024 *My colorful body*, devotional album co-created with Nicolette Hsu, released by *Full Body Massage*, Berlin

SELECTED PERFORMANCES

2025 *Reading with Ric Royer, Aristilde Tilding and Alice Aster at Wee space tapes, New York NY*

Ice cream on the tip of my tongue, Stinson house Houston TX

WEIRD MUSIC NIGHT, Satellite Galley, New York NY

Vocal performance with Truffles, Sparrow Carter, Torn Pages, New York NY

Poetry performances at Baker Falls, New York NY

2024 *My Colorful Body, WEIRD MUSIC NIGHT, Ely Center or Contemporary Art, New Haven CT*

My Colorful Body, performed with Nicolette Hsu, Tarbut HaMehoga, Tel Aviv, IL

My Colorful Body, performed with Nicolette Hsu, Mazkeka, Jerusalem IL

2023 EARTHBOUND PRESS online reading of my EARTHBOUND POETRY SERIES

DREAM GURLZ poetry reagine vent with Write Haus, Tel Aviv, IL

An apple a day, poetry reading, Öff, Zurich.

Write Haus 2nd issue magazine launch (*My heart is a steering wheel*), Beit Hana, Tel Aviv

2022 Poetry reading at My lucky heart (solo show), Magasin III Books, Jaffa

2021 The Glass Hour, radio performance of *Four Clovers*, Athens Weirdfishes Radio

My colorful body, Performance with Nicolette Hsu, the Zimmer, Tel Aviv

My colorful body, live collaborative performance: a reading with music, with musician Kolette Hsu, Gepaeckausgabe, Switzerland

Town Preacher, Kikar Zion, August 2021, Jerusalem

2020 BIG FEELINGS, solo poetry reading and live word improvisation with musician Eli Lass as part of UNPAID VACATION group show, Hagada HaSmalit, Tel Aviv

Generosity, Poetry reading on Zoom with Bernedette Mayer and Philip Good, organized by Cuneiform Press

Generosity corner, a guided meditation, spiritual talk and poetry reading on [@HOMECOOKING](#), an digital arts platform curated by Asad Raza

Radical space: the power of words in manifesting realities, workshop, as part of Keysmash Festival, London

Poetry reading, *Reading and performance party* on Zoom, hosted by Maya Perry and Mika Bar On Neshet

Station Zoom, Guided meditation and exhibition tour, hosted by Mati Ale

Hagada Shel Pesach, April 2020, "Ve Az HaPe Sach"- *And then the mouth spoke*, performance, Livestream zoom event in memory of artist Pesach Slabosky

Stream Echoes, April 2020, Poetry reading live stream (see: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9k7z_gCztLM)

Artist talk, March 2020, for Bezalel MFA students, as part of *Let there be glitter*

Performance, March 2020, *Let there be glitter*, as part of solo exhibition, Central Bus Station, Tel Aviv

2019 Lecture, December 2019, *Every person needs a champion: the importance of words and the teacher's presence in art education*. Early Childhood Annual Conference, Tel Aviv

Lecture, December 2019, *Affirmational stickerbook*: discussing my latest project on the magic power of words and importance of positive affirmations, InPrint book fair, Jerusalem.

Performative lecture, November 2019, *Parallel Universes: Kafka, the body and interruptions of the mind*. Hebrew University, conference organized by professor Vivian Liska

Performative lecture, July 2019, *Back to the sea*, Barbur Gallery, Jerusalem

Performative lecture, July 2019, THE HOLE, as part of solo exhibition, Mallord's, London

Poetry reading, *The internet and floating heads* January 2019, in Maya Perry and Omer Even Paz's exhibition *Link in bio*, Alfred Gallery, Tel Aviv, IL

2018 THE DEAD SEA, CC17TV Studios ,<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ICscOfJaR3o&t=2s>, Tel Aviv, IL

CURATORIAL PROJECTS

2025 Confessional Flowers, group show, Satellite Gallery, New York

2023 DREAM GURLZ, group show, Binyamin gallery

2017 Co-curation of Moshe Kupferman's exhibition, in collaboration with Sommer Gallery of Contemporary Art, Tel Aviv, Bezalel MFA, Maimeri-Fila Group, Nicola Trezzi and the Kupferman Foundation

2017 BOXES, solo show, Hazit window display gallery, Tel Aviv: I invited other artists and children to make their own boxes which I exhibited as part of my installation

2016 Magical Offspring, Geddes Gallery, London, curator, group show with emerging artists and outsider artists

2015 HUMAN NATURE – The Archive Gallery, London, group show, co-curator of show with 10 participating artists

PRESS

"Meet Sivan Lavie | Visual artist and poet", SHOUTOUT MIAMI. May 2022.

<https://shoutoutmiami.com/meet-sivan-lavie-visual-artist-and-poet/> Interview on my practice.

"Glärnerland Inspires a colorful tapestry of sound", in [Sud Ost Schweiz Newspaper](#), Switzerland, print and online, October 2021, Review of solo show, My colorful body, by Claudia Kock Marti.

"Driving Darkness Away", Sivan Lavie makes artwork to overcome fear." In Portfolio Magazine, Israel-Palestine. Interview and article about my work and solo exhibition Let there be glitter, by Joy Bernard <https://www.prftl.co.il/archives/127708>.

InPrint Jerusalem: "An artist book fair that is like an exhibition", December 2019.

<https://www.prftl.co.il/archives/122381> my projects Affirmational Stickers and Momentum discussed in an interview, by Shlomit Oren.

"A love poem evening", erev rav, Feb 2019. <https://www.erev-rav.com/archives/49537> Preview of my solo exhibition My heart fills the room and poetry reading event I hosted there

"Bezalel Masters of Fine Art Graduate Exhibition", Tel Avivian, June 2018, by Danielle Gorodenzik. <http://daniellegorodenzik.telavivian.com/2018/06/04/bezalel-master-of-fine-arts-graduate-exhibition-2018/> Review of Bezalel MFA graduate show including my exhibition, Letting in the sun.

"Sivan Lavie: Letting in the Sun @ Abulafia 6 Project Space, Tel Aviv (IL)". Young Space, June 2018. By Kate Mothes.

<https://www.yngspc.com/archived/sivan-lavie-letting-in-the-sun-abulafia-6-project-space-tel-aviv-il/>. Review of my MFA graduate show, Letting in the sun.

"Sivan Lavie- Interview." July 2018. Young Space, June 2018. By Kate Mothes.

<https://www.yngspc.com/artists/2018/07/sivan-lavie/> Interview about my art practice

"Sculptural, experimental, experiential approach to painting." Horst und Eltraut, 2018.

<http://www.horstundedeltraut.com/sculptural-experimental-experiential-approach-to-painting/> Interview about my art practice.

"Weekly recommendations". Talking Art, July 2017. By Elad Rosen. <https://www.talkingart.co.il> Review of my solo exhibition, MAIL

"Weekly gallery recommendations." Haaretz. July 2017.

<https://www.haaretz.co.il/gallery/art/exhibitions/event-1.4238587> Preview of my solo exhibition, Mail

*"Art Brut". Lyra Magazine, 2015. By Jago Rackham <https://www.lyramagazine.co.uk/blog/art-brut/>
Interview about my art practice*

RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE

- 2023-24** Preschool teacher at The Sephardic Academy of Manahattan, NYC
- 2022-23** Teacher and art teacher at the Democratic School, Jaffa
- 2021-23** Tour guide, art teacher and workshop facilitator at Tel Aviv Museum of Art
- 2021** Freelance kindergarten teacher at City Kids Tel Aviv
- 2019-20** Gallery assistant and tour guide at *Artspace Tel Aviv*
- 2019** Guest drawing class lecturer, Bezalel Academy of Art and Design, Jesuralem
- 2018-19** Kindergarten teacher in an Antroposophic kindergarten, HaKfar Hayarok
- 2017-18** Art teacher in Ajjal primary school, Jaffa
- 2016** Studio facilitator in ActionSpace art studios, London
- 2013-15** Art teacher in The Centre for Better Health, London
- 2012-15** Writer and Arts Editor for art magazine *Avenir Magazine*, London
- 2013-14** Assistant at the Museum of Everything, Outsider Art collection, London

References available upon request.