

ANANNA RAFA

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EDUCATION

2023 – Partial Completed *Visual Arts*, Masters of Fine Arts, York University, AMPD, Toronto

2015 – 2022 *Photography Studies*, Bachelor of Fine Arts, TMU, School of Image Arts, Toronto

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2021 – *After Mughal Miniatures*, Reading Room, Stephen Bulger Gallery, Toronto, ON

TWO PERSON EXHIBITIONS

2023 – *Shrouded Gaze, Contact Photography Festival*, Artspace Gallery, Toronto, ON

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2025 – *Photorama B-sides*, Gallery TPW, Toronto ON

2025 – *Salon 44*, Gallery 44 Centre for Contemporary Photography, Toronto ON

2024 – *Salon 44*, Gallery 44 Centre for Contemporary Photography, Toronto ON

2023 – *Salon 44*, Gallery 44 Centre for Contemporary Photography, Toronto ON

2022 – *Descendance*, SPAO School of Photographic Arts, Ottawa

2022 – *In My Memories, I Held the Sun in My Hands*, Gallery 310, Toronto, ON

2021– *Photorama Editions*, Gallery TPW, Toronto, ON

2022 – *Maximum Exposure 27*, School of Image Arts, Toronto, ON

2021 – *Third Year Show*, School of Image Arts, Toronto, ON

2021 – *Maximum Exposure 26*, School of Image Arts, Toronto, ON

2018 – *Some Mobility*, Ryerson Artspace, Toronto, ON

2018 – *Gender and the Lens II*, Ryerson Artspace, Toronto, ON

2017 – *Maximum Exposure 22*, School of Image Arts, Toronto, ON

2016 – *Maximum Exposure 21*, School of Image Arts, Toronto, ON

PUBLICATIONS

2022 – *Function Magazine* Vol. 23, School of Image Arts, Toronto, ON

2021 – *Cool Customer*, Vol. 3, Toronto, ON

2021 – *Third Year Show Catalog*, School of Image Arts, Toronto, ON

2018 – *Function Magazine (Cover)* Vol. 19, School of Image Arts, Toronto, ON

2017 – *Function Magazine*, Vol. 18, School of Image Arts, Toronto, ON

WORK EXPERIENCE

2023 – Programming Coordinator – *SAVAC - South Asian Visual Arts Center* - Toronto, ON

2023 – Festival Coordinator - *Capture Photography Festival*, Vancouver, BC

2021–2022 – Web and Art Director – *Function Magazine*, Toronto, ON

2021 – 2022 – Teaching Assistant – *Ryerson University*, Toronto, ON

2021 – 2022 – Programing Assistant for *BIPOC Photo Mentorship Program - Gallery 44 Centre for Contemporary Photography*, Toronto, ON

2021– Present – *Freelance Photographer and Assistant* – Toronto, ON

2021 – Marketing and Communications Coordinator – *Riverdale Hub Gallery*, Toronto, ON

2020 – 2021 – Education and Memberships Assistant - *Gallery 44 Centre for Contemporary Photography*

2018 – 2020 – Fundraising and Sponsorships Coordinator – *Ryerson Artspace Gallery*, Toronto, ON

2012 -2018 – Arts Administrator and Artist Engagement – *STEPS / PATCH Public Arts*, Toronto, ON

AWARDS

2023 - *Finalist for De Pietri Artphilein Photobook Award*, Switzerland

2022 - *Global Learning Award*, The Creative School

2021 - *Diversity and Leadership Award*, School of Image Arts

2021 - *Paul Semple Memorial Award*, School of Image Arts

2021 - *Stephen Bulger Award*, Third Year Show, School of Image Arts