

GALERIE MITTERRAND

WALLEN MAPONDERA

Born 1985 in Harare, Zimbabwe
Lives and works in Grahamstown, South Africa

EDUCATION

- 2019 Masters of Fine Art Degree (MA), Rhodes University, Grahamstown (ZA)
- 2007 Certificate in Visual Arts Training, National Gallery School of Visual Arts Studio, Harare (ZW)

SOLO SHOWS (SELECTION)

- 2023 *Manzwi Akazvitakura / Pregnant Words*, Galerie Mitterrand, Paris (FR)
Art Basel: Hong Kong, SMAC Gallery (HK)
- 2022 *Chikokoko (Little Pleasures that Counts)*, Galerie Mitterrand, Paris (FR)
Collar; the Concept of Freedom, The Armory Show, SMAC Gallery, New York (US)
- 2021 *In your shadow: masking realities*, SMAC Gallery: Cape Town (ZA)
- 2020 *Zai Rakawora*, Art Basel: Miami Beach, Miami (USA)
Chirema Chine Mazano Chinotamba Chakazendama Madziro Part Two, SMAC Gallery, Cape Town (ZA)
- 2019 *Chirema Chine Mazano*, Rhodes University, Makhanda (ZA)
Moving Target, SMAC Gallery, Cape Town (ZA)
Shungu Madanha, Atelier Mondial, Münchenstein (CH)
- 2018 *Emergency Exit*, Tyburn Gallery, London (UK)
Samusha weiri Dongo, SMAC Gallery, Johannesburg (ZA)
- 2017 *Tsananguro | Clarifications*, SMAC Gallery, Cape Town (ZA)
- 2016 *Paint My Tea Pot*, Tafaria Castle, Tafaria (KE)
- 2014 *SOCIAL ZOOMETRY*, Gallery Delta, Harare (ZE)
- 2013 *ANI-MAN (a human in an animal)*, Association for Visual Arts Gallery, Cape Town (ZA)
- 2012 *TURNING TABLES*, Red Mill Gallery, Vermont Studio Center, Vermont (USA)
- 2009 *X MARKS THE SPOT*, Truworths Gallery, Cape Town (USA)
- 2008 *MAZUVA OSE (Everyday)*, National Gallery of Zimbabwe, Harare (ZE)

GROUP SHOWS (SELECTION)

- 2024 *Mother Lode: Material and Memory*, James Cohan Gallery, Tribeca, New York (USA)
- 2023 *between borders: migration, power and boundless imagination*, Museum Arnhem, Arnhem (NL)
Investec Cape Town Art Fair, Cape Town international Convention Centre (CTICC), Cape Town (ZA)
- 2022 *I did not leave a sign?*, Zimbabwe Pavilion, 59th Venice Biennale, Venice (IT)
Unraveling the (Under-) Development Complex or Towards a Post- (Under-) Development Interdependence, SAVVY Contemporary, Berlin (DE)
Inner Landscapes, Bloom Galerie, Geneva (CH)
Art Basel: Hong Kong, Galerie Mitterrand (HK)
FNB Art Joburg (SMAC Gallery), Sandton Convention Centre, Johannesburg (ZA)
Within the Fold, SMAC Gallery, Johannesburg; Stellenbosch (ZA)
Fragments, Museum der Kulturen Basel, Basel (CH)
Art Brussels, Smac Gallery, Tour & Taxi, Brussels (BE)
Investec Cape Town Art Fair, Cape Town International Convention Centre (CTICC), Cape Town (ZA)
- 2021 *Slowly arriving*, Kunsthaus Baselland, Basel (CH)
Black Luminosity, SMAC Gallery, Stellenbosch (ZA)
- 2020 *Matereality*, Iziko South African National Gallery, Cape Town (ZA)
Gather, SMAC Gallery, Cape Town (ZA)
- 2019 *Artissima (SMAC Gallery)*, Turin (IT)
1-54 Contemporary African Art Fair London (SMAC Gallery), Somerset House, London (UK)
FNB Art Joburg (SMAC Gallery), Sandton Convention Centre, Johannesburg, (ZA)
Investec Cape Town Art Fair, Cape Town International Convention Centre (CTICC), Cape Town (ZA)
- 2018 *Five Bhohb: Painting at the End of an Era*, Zietz Museum of Contemporary Art Africa (MOCAA), Cape Town (ZA)
UNTITLED, Art (Tyburn Gallery), Miami Beach, Miami (USA)
Back to the Future III – Abstract Art In South Africa: Past and Present, SMAC Gallery, Stellenbosch (ZA)
- 2017 *1-54 Contemporary African Art Fair (SMAC Gallery)*, London (UK)
FNB Joburg Art Fair (SMAC Gallery), Sandton Convention Centre, Johannesburg (ZA)
- 2016 *Turbine Art Fair (TAF)*, Johannesburg (ZA)
Nothing Personal, SMAC Gallery, Stellenbosch (ZA)
Suddenly A Dissident (Two Man Show), Point of Order Gallery, Johannesburg (ZA)
- 2015 *Turbine Art Fair (TAF)*, Johannesburg (ZA)
1:54 Contemporary African Art Fair, London (UK)
- 2012 *Thupelo Workshop Exhibition*, Greatmore Studios, Cape Town (ZA)
Between the Sheets, Gallery East, North Fremantle (AUS)
Tradition, Family & Religion, Gallery Delta, Harare (ZW)

- 2011 *Colour Africa, Zeitgenössische Kunst Aus Simbabwe*, Kulturallmende, Munich (DE)
- 2010 *FACET – Zimbabwe Now*, Gallery Delta, Harare (ZW)
Live 'n' Direct, National Gallery of Zimbabwe, Harare (ZW)
African Expressions, The University of Avignon, Avignon (FR)
Artists in Stream, Gallery Delta, Harare (ZW)
- 2009 *Unity*, Gallery Delta, Harare (ZW)
Ani-mal, VEO Gallery, Cape Town (ZA).
F.A.C.T COTCO, National Gallery of Zimbabwe, Harare (ZW)
- 2008 *COTCO*, National Gallery of Zimbabwe , Harare (ZW)
The Young artist Exhibition, Gallery Delta, Harare (ZW)
Salon 91 Art Exhibition, Salon 91, Cape Town (ZA)
Miniature Exhibition 2008, VEO Gallery, Cape Town (ZA)
Enriching Women, The International Women's Film Festival, Gallery Delta, Harare (ZW)
Onai (Do You See When You Look), National Gallery of Zimbabwe in Mutare, Mutare (ZW)
Africa University Annual Festival of Art and Culture: an exhibition of Paintings and Graphics, National Gallery of Zimbabwe in Mutare, Mutare (ZW)
Post Election Selection, Gallery Delta, Harare (Zimbabwe)
- 2007 *The Young Artist Exhibition*, Gallery Delta, Harare (ZW)
Peace Through Unity and Diversity, Gallery Delta, Harare (ZW)
The Sixth Sense, National Gallery of Zimbabwe in Mutare (ZW)
Drawings and Graphics: An Overview, Gallery Delta, Harare (ZW)
"Edible Mapepa" An exhibition of art pieces from handmade paper, National Art Gallery of Zimbabwe, Harare (ZW)
Alliance Francaise Annual Exhibition, Maputo (MOZ)
Zimbabwean change, St Bavo Church, Haarlem (NL)
- 2006 *HIFA (Hand in Hand)*, National Gallery of Zimbabwe, Harare (ZW)
Our Thoughts, National Gallery of Zimbabwe in Mutare, Mutare (ZW)
Rembrandt: An African Response, Gallery Delta, Harare (ZW)
Manicaland Visual Arts and Craft Association (MANISA), National Gallery of Zimbabwe, Mutare (ZW)
Final Year Exhibition, National Gallery of Zimbabwe, Harare (ZW)
- 1998 *Why Use Agro Chemicals? University Of Zimbabwe*, Mount Pleasant, Harare (ZW)

RESIDENCIES

- 2023 Shortlisted for The Norval Sovereign African Art Prize 2023, Cape Town (ZA)
- 2018 Artist in Residence, Pro Helvetia at Atelier Mondial, Basel (CH)
 African Centre Artist in Residency, Tafaria Castle (KE)
 Guns and Rain residency, Johannesburg (ZA)
- 2015 Urban Art Festival, Antananarivo (MG)
 Artist in residency, National Art Gallery of Zimbabwe, Harare (ZW)
 Renaissance Men, Greatmore studios, Cape Town (ZA)

- 2012 Thupelo Workshop, Cape Town (ZA)
Vermont Studio Center, Burlington, Vermont (USA)
- 2008 Good Hope Arts Studios mentorship workshop, Cape Town (ZA)
Edible Mapepa, Mapepa Industries, Harare (ZA)
- 2007 Young Artists Workshop, Gallery Delta, Harare (ZW)

AWARDS

- 2020 Art Dubai Artist-in-Residence Programme, Dubai (UAE)
- 2018 Artist in Residence, Pro Helvetia Studio, Zurich (CH)
- 2016 Artist in Residence, in association with the Kuona Trust, Tafari Castle, Nairobi & Tafari (KE)
Artist in Residence, Guns & Rain, Johannesburg (ZA)
- 2015 National Arts Merit Awards (NAMA) for Two-Dimensional Work, National Arts Council of Zimbabwe (NACZ), Harare (ZA)
Artist in Residence, National Gallery of Zimbabwe, Harare (ZW)
Artist-in-Residence (AiR) Award Laureate, the Africa Centre, Cape Town (ZA)
- 2012 First Prize for Drawing and Graphics: Family, Tradition and Religion, Gallery Delta, Harare (ZW)
Artist in Residence, Vermont Studio Center, Burlington, Vermont (USA)
- 2010 First Prize for Drawing and Graphics: FACET – Zimbabwe Now, Gallery Delta, Harare (ZW)
Over-all Award for Drawing: Artists in Stream, Gallery Delta, Harare (ZW)
- 2009 Over-all Award: F.A.C.T, National Gallery of Zimbabwe in association with COTCO, Harare (ZW)
- 2008 Award of Merit: Enriching Woman, Gallery Delta, Harare, Zimbabwe. Award of Merit: Post Election Selection, Gallery Delta, Harare (ZW)
- 2007 Artist in Residence, National Gallery of Zimbabwe, Harare (ZW)
- 2006 Award of Merit for Painting: Graduate Exhibition, National Gallery of Zimbabwe, Harare (ZW)

PUBLICATIONS

Mapondera, W. 2022, Wallen Mapondera, SMAC Gallery, Cape Town (ZA)

PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

The National Gallery of Zimbabwe, Harare (ZW)
Spier Art Collection, Stellenbosch (ZA)

Tiroche Deleon Collection, Tel Aviv (ISR)
The Cassat Foundation, (NL)
The Ekard Collection (NL)
Galila Barzilai-Holannder's P.O.C. (BE)