

Iskuhi Avagyan was born in Yerevan, Armenia, and grew up in Toronto, where she earned her BFA from OCAD University in 2014. In her third year of studies, she participated in the Florence Off-Campus Studies Program with OCAD University in Florence, Italy. Her work has been exhibited in a number of group shows in Canada and Europe, and is held in private collections in Canada, Europe, and New Zealand.

### **EDUCATION**

| 2009 - 2014 | Bachelor of Fine Arts; Drawing and Painting, |
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|             | English Minor                                |
|             | OCAD University, Toronto, ON, Canada         |
| 2011 - 2012 | OCAD University Florence Off-Campus          |
|             | Studies Program, Florence, Italy             |
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## SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

2011 Ontario International Education Opportunity Scholarship, OCAD University, Toronto, ON, Canada

### **CRITICAL PUBLICATIONS**

"An Octagon, a Torso and a Hashtag." *Hyperkulturemia Cultural Fanzine*. Issuu, Jan-Feb 2016. Web. "Taking the Leap: Interview with Vanessa McKernan." *Now What Podcast*. Now What Podcast, 2013. Web.

### **BIBLIOGRAPHY**

- Dovey, Christine. "Art Fair Fridays Iskuhi Avagyan" *Bijou & Boheme.* 9 Oct. 2015. Web.
- Filmartist. "Iskuhi Avagyan: Thin, Translucent Layers of Oil Paint." YouTube, 11 Nov. 2015. Web.
- Mercedes-Benz Financial Services. Experiencing Perspectives:
- 2014-2015 Art Exhibition. Mississauga: 2014. Print. McArthur, Glenn. Colour and Two-Dimensional Design. Toronto: OCAD University, 2014. 77, 128. Print.
- OCAD University. Surfacing: OCAD University Drawing and Painting Catalogue 2014. Toronto: 2014. Print.
- Taylor, Claire. "Six New Art Stars Not to Be Missed at the Artist Project 2015." *Design Lines.* 4 Mar. 2014. Web.

# COLLECTIONS

Ceramic Art Plate in the Ruben Angaladian Collection. Works held in private collections in Canada, Europe, and New Zealand. Twitter: @lskuhi\_A Instagram: @iskuhi\_a Facebook: @iskuhi.avagyan +1-416-888-6523 iskuhi.avagyan@gmail.com iskuhiavagyan.com

#### **EXPERIENCE**

| 2015 | Intern, Peggy Guggenheim Collection, |
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|      | Venice, Italy                        |

2013 Intern, Art Gallery of Ontario, Toronto, Canada

### **ART FAIRS/AUCTIONS**

- 2016 Toronto Outdoor Art Exhibition, Nathan Philips Square, Toronto, ON, Canada
- 2016 The Big Draw, OCAD University, Toronto, ON, Canada
- 2015 Toronto Outdoor Art Exhibition, Nathan Philips Square, Toronto, ON, Canada
- 2015 The Artist Project, Better Living Centre, Exhibition Place, Toronto, ON, Canada
- 2014 The Big Draw, OCAD University, Toronto, ON, Canada

### SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

| 2016 | <i>Spring Vernissage</i> , Academia Gallery,<br>Yerevan, Armenia |
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| 2015 | Salon III, Project Gallery,                                      |
|      | Toronto, ON, Canada  |
| 2015 | The Salon of Inclusiveness II, The Black Cat Art                 |
|      | Space, Toronto, ON, Canada                                       |
| 2014 | Experiencing Perspectives, Mercedes-Benz                         |
|      | Financial Services, Mississauga, ON, Canada                      |
| 2014 | OCADU Grad Juried Exhibition,                                    |
|      | Walnut Contemporary, Toronto, ON, Canada                         |
| 2014 | The 99th Annual Graduate Exhibition,                             |
|      | OCAD University, Toronto, ON, Canada                             |
| 2014 | The Art of the Figure, OCAD University,                          |
|      | Toronto, ON, Canada  |
| 2013 | The Art of the Figure, OCAD University,                          |
|      | Toronto, ON, Canada  |
| 2012 | OCAD University 2011/2012 Florence Program                       |
|      | Show, OCAD University, Toronto, ON, Canada                       |
| 2012 | Come si dice, ZOE Café/Bar/Galleria D'Arte,                      |
|      | Florence, Italy  |
| 2012 | Sojourn, OCAD University Florence Studio,                        |
|      | Florence, Italy  |
| 2011 | Occhi di OCAD, OCAD University,                                  |
|      | Florence Studio, Florence, Italy                                 |