

Selma Selman

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Education

- 2021–2023 Rijksakademie van Beeldende Kunsten, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
- 2015–2018 Syracuse University, MFA-Transmedia, Visual and Performing Arts, Syracuse, New York State
- 2014–2015 Central European University, (Non-degree program), Budapest, Hungary
- 2010–2014 Academy of Fine Arts, University of Banja Luka (Specialisation: Academic Painter)
- 2013 International Summer Academy, 3-week class 'Arte Util' with Tania Bruguera, Salzburg, Austria

Selected solo exhibitions

- 2025 Fana, acb Gallery, Budapest, Hungary
600 Years of Migrating Mothers, Kunsthuis SYB
ABN AMRO Ar Award, ABN AMRO Bank, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
ABN AMRO Art Award, Stedelijk Museum, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
- 2024 Ophelia's Awakening, ChertLüdde, Berlin, Germany
Flowers of Life, Schirn Kunsthalle, Frankfurt, Germany
Crossing the Blue Bridge, Röda Sten Konsthall, Göteborg, Sweden
- 2023 Her0, Gropius Bau, Berlin, Germany
Motherboards, acb Plus, Budapest, Hungary
- 2022 The Most Dangerous Woman in the World, Kunstraum Innsbruck, Austria
- 2021 Don't look into my eyes, Kasseler Kunstverein, Kassel, Germany
Selma Selman, National Gallery, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina
- 2020 No Space, Dom Omladine, Belgrade, Serbia
- 2019 Evropa Boss Light, Robot Poola, Pula, Croatia
- 2018 Viva la Vida, Novembar Gallery, Belgrade, Serbia
I will buy my freedom when, acb Attachment, Budapest, Hungary
- 2017 AEG vampyr 1400, acb Attachment, Budapest, Hungary
You Have No Idea, agnès b. Galerie Boutique, New York, USA
- 2016 I exist, Gallery Schleifmühlgasse 12-14 Vienna, Austria
I exist, Gallery Dreamland, Buffalo, New York, USA
- 2015 You have no idea, Gallery Epeka, Maribor, Slovenia

Selected group exhibitions

- 2026 Biennale de Lyon, Lyon, France – upcoming
House of Nisaba, Moderna Museet, Stockholm, Sweden
- 2025 The Three-Legged Cat, Istanbul Biennial, Istanbul, Turkey
Vale, Art Basel Parcours, Basel, Switzerland
The Gatherers, MoMA PS, New York, USA
- 2024 Save the Date!, Museum of Modern Art, Warsaw, Poland
Reversed Objects, Ludwig Museum – Museum of Contemporary Art, Budapest, Hungary
Substanz, Künstlerhaus Wien, Wien, Austria
Opening exhibition of the new building of the Museum of Modern Art, Warsaw, Poland
Stories from the Ground, Painting Biennale, Museum Dhondt-Dhaenens, Belgium
- 2023 4. Autostrada Biennale, Prizren, Kosovo
Nationalgalerie: A Collection for the 21st Century, Hamburger Bahnhof, Berlin, Germany
Art Basel Unlimited section with acb Gallery, Basel, Switzerland
Open Studios, Rijksakademie van beeldende kunsten, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
Invisible Until It's Broken, Künstlerhaus Dortmund, Dortmund, Germany
Unruly Kinships, Temporary Gallery – Centre for contemporary art, Cologne, Germany

- 2022 Protozone9: Week.End.Opera, Shedhalle, Zürich, Switzerland
 Manifesta Biennial, Prishtina, Kosovo
 documenta 15, Kassel, Germany
- 2021 Emplotment, Ludwig Museum – Museum of Contemporary Art, Budapest, Hungary
 EVROVIZION Crossing Stories and Spaces, Art Encounters biennale, Timișoara, Romania
 Mediterranea 19 Young Artists Biennale School of Waters, San Marino
 THE ART OF RESISTANCE, Rautenstrauch-Joest Museum, Cologne, Germany
- 2020 Corneus Stories, Skuc Gallery, Ljubljana, Slovenia
 From what will we reassemble ourselves, Framer Framed, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
 ...of Bread, Wine, Cars, Security and Peace, Kunsthalle Wien, Vienna, Austria
- 2019 FutuRoma at the 58th Venice Biennale, Fondamenta Zattere Allo Spirito Santo, Venice, Italy
 Briser le 4e mur, L'Onde Center for Art, Paris, France
 WE WOMEN* ARE GOING TO INSIST ON FIGHTING, Guerrilla of Enlightenment 3, Rotor, Graz, Austria
- 2018 Proof of Existence: An Exhibit of Work by Contemporary Artists of Bosnian and Balkan Origin, University Gallery, Kentucky, USA
- 2017 3.Berlin Herbesalon, Maxim Gorki Theatre, Palais am Festungsgraben, Kronprinzenpalais, Berlin, Germany
 AS FAR AS I CAN GO - radical movements, UNTERER Galerie Michaela Stock, Vienna, Austria
 Identification – Field exercises after Katalin Ladik, acb Gallery, Budapest, Hungary
 Horsecross collection of contemporary art at Threshold artspace, Scotland, United Kingdom
- 2016 Contemporary Thesaurus, Museum of contemporary art in Vojvodina, Novi Sad, Serbia
 The Works Art and Design Festival in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada
 Conquer the Beauty, New Children Gallery, New Orleans, USA
 Hero Mother curated by Bojana Pejić and Dr. Rachel Rits-Volloch, in Kunstquartier Bethanien, at MOMENTUM & Studio 1 in Kunstquartier Bethanien, Berlin, Germany
- 2015 Biennial of Contemporary Art D-O ARK, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina
 ZVONO exhibition of the finalists and winner at gallery Duplex, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina
- 2014 Calling Cards, Gallery 8, Budapest, Hungary
 We want you, The 10th Berlin International Directors Lounge, Berlin, Germany

Awards

- 2025 Tajsja Roma Cultural Heritage Prize, Berlin, Germany
- 2024 ABN AMRO Art Award, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
- 2022 Bildrecht SOLO Award, viennacontemporary, Austria
- 2019 Finalist of the Tajsja Roma Cultural Heritage Prize, Berlin, Germany
 Power of Excellence Award, Association of Business Women in BiH and Magazine Grazia Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina
 White Aphroid Award for outstanding artistic achievement, Maribor, Slovenia
 The Jury Award for the best short film at 60 seconds Film Festival in Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2017 Young European Artist Trieste Contemporanea Award, Trieste, Italy
- 2015 Commendation of the Cultural Center for outstanding achievements in art, Bihac, Bosnia and Herzegovina
- 2014 Zvono art award for the best young artist in BiH, Bosnia and Herzegovina
 Award for the best work in the field of painting at the Academy of Arts, Banja Luka, Bosnia and Herzegovina
 Award for the best work in the field of graphic design at the Academy of Arts, Banja Luka, Bosnia and Herzegovina
- 2013 Award for the best work in the field of intermedia arts at the Academy of Arts, Banja Luka, Bosnia and Herzegovina

Residencies

- 2019 Kultur Kontakt Austria, Vienna, Austria
- 2018 Art in Residency, Artreach India, Patna, India
- 2017 DANUBE ART LAB - Donumenta, Regensburg, Germany
- 2016 Summer School as School, Pristina, Kosovo
- 2015 Residency at ISCP center, New York, USA
- 2014 Project BAUHAUS Goes South East Europe, 1914/2014, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina

Works in collections

- Museum of Fine Arts, Budapest, Hungary
 Stedelijk Museum, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

ABN AMRO Art Collection, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

Moderna Museet, Stockholm, Sweden

Hamburger Bahnhof, Berlin, Germany

Thyssen-Bornemisza Art Contemporary Collection, Madrid, Spain

ifa (Institut für Auslandsbeziehungen), Stuttgart, Germany

November Gallery, Belgrade, Serbia

Agnes b. Gallery, France-USA

Horsecross collection of contemporary art at Threshold artspace, Scotland, United Kingdom

Museum of Contemporary Art of Republic of Srpska, Bosnia and Herzegovina

IROKÉZ Collection, Budapest, Hungary

Private collections