#### Elke Varga C.V

### Education

- 2010- 2015 Master of Fine Art (by research), Monash Art Design and Architecture Monash University, Melbourne.
- 2006 Postgraduate Diploma in Visual Art, Victorian College of the Arts, Melbourne
- 1990-1992 Bachelor of Fine Art (Painting Major), Victorian College of the Arts, Melbourne

### **Solo Exhibitions**

- 2024 Adaptations and Reconfigurations, Five Walls Projects, Melbourne.
- 2018 Of Folds and Traces, Five Walls Projects, Melbourne.
- 2015 Colour Scheme, MADA Postgraduate Gallery, Monash University, Melbourne.
- 2010 Influence, TCB, Melbourne.
- 2008 Light Shadows, Peloton, Sydney.
- 1997 *Pathways*, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Melbourne.
- 1996 Sight Unseen, System Error, Biennale of Sydney Satellite Event, First Draft, Sydney.
- 1995 Sight Unseen, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Melbourne.
- Join, The Building 40 Project, Melbourne.
- 1994 *Mirror Tiles*, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Fitzroy, Melbourne.

# **Selected Group Exhibitions**

- 2023 *Abstraction*, Five Walls Projects, Melbourne. Curators Missy Ueda and Emma Langridge. *SCOPE 23*, Post Office Gallery, Federation University, Ballarat.
- 2022 *Abstraction* 22, Five Walls Projects, Melbourne. Curators Aaron Martin and PJ Hickman. *SCOPE* 22, Post Office Gallery, Federation University, Ballarat.
- 2021 SCOPE 21, Post Office Gallery, Federation University, Ballarat.
- 2020 *Drawing Folio 3: Abstraction*, Block Projects, Melbourne. Curators John Nixon and Justin Andrews *SCOPE 20,* Post Office Gallery, Federation University, Ballarat.
- 2019 SCOPE 19, Post Office Gallery, Federation University, Ballarat.
- 2018 SUPPORT 18, Five Walls Projects, Melbourne. Splash McClelland Contemporary Water Colour Prize, McClelland Gallery, Melbourne.
- 2017 Unhidden, Counihan Gallery, Melbourne. Curator Kali Michailidis.
- 2016 MADA Master of Fine Art Graduate Exhibition, Monash University, Melbourne.
- 2015 Fremantle Art Centre Print Award, Fremantle Art Centre, Perth.
- 2014 I always read by listening to the text, curated by Martina Copley, Platform, Melbourne.
- 2012 Variations, with Georgina Criddle, Link Wall, Monash University, Melbourne. Drawing Folio 2: Ruler, Pencil & Time, Block Projects, Melbourne. Curators John Nixon and Justin Andrews.
- 2011 Finalist, Substation Contemporary Art Prize, The Substation, Melbourne.
- 2010 *Uncertainty (drawing),* RMIT Drawing Out Conference, City Library, Melbourne. Curator Martina Copley. *Folk 2: Assemblage No.4 (constructs), Oliver Mosset Collaborative Wall Work and Installation,* SNO Sydney Non Objective, Sydney. Curator Giles Ryder.
- 2009 Line (drawing), Mailbox 141, Melbourne. Curator Marina Copley.
- 2006 *Graduate Exhibition*, Victorian College of the Arts, Melbourne *LEXICON*, City Library, Melbourne. Curator Martina Copley
- 2004 *120 Degrees of Separation*, Linden Centre for Contemporary Arts, St Kilda, Melbourne *Compendium*, Icon Gallery, Deakin University, Melbourne. Curator Martina Copley.
- 2003 Compendium, Platform, Melbourne. Curator Martina Copley.
- 2002 *Final Show*, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Fitzroy, Melbourne.
- 1998 Finalist, *Geelong Contemporary Art Prize*, Geelong Gallery, Geelong.
  *Painting*, Grey Area Art Space, Melbourne. Curator Georgina Konstantinopolis.
  *Mnemosyne*, Contemporary Centre of Photography, Melbourne. Curator Greg Defteross.
  *We are Electric*, Victorian Ministry of the Arts, Melbourne. Curator David Rosetsky.
  1<sup>st</sup> Floor Exchange Show, The Physics Room, Christchurch, New Zealand.

- 1997 *The Colouring in Contest*, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Melbourne. *The Grotesque,* Platform, Melbourne. Curator Martina Copley
- 1996 Photostat, in conjunction with the Next Wave Festival, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Melbourne System Error, Biennale of Sydney Satellite Event, First Draft, Sydney. Super Models, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Melbourne. Curators Andrew McQualter and Jacinta Schroeder.
- 1995 Faktura, Stop 22, St Kilda, Melbourne. Curator Rozalind Drummond.
- 1994 Sense, Linden, St Kilda, Melbourne. Group Show, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Melbourne.
- 1992 *Multiples*, Platform, Melbourne. Curator Dena Kahan.

### Awards and Prizes

- 2023 Digital Transformation for Creative Industries Short Course, Australia Council
- 2018 Finalist, Splash McClelland Contemporary Water Colour Prize, McClelland Gallery, Melbourne.
- 2015 Finalist, *Fremantle Art Centre Print Award*, Fremantle Art Centre, Perth.
- 2011 Finalist, Substation Contemporary Art Prize, The Substation, Melbourne.
- 1998 Finalist, Geelong Contemporary Art Prize, Geelong Gallery, Geelong.
- 1996 Pat Corrigan Artists Grant, NAVA.
- 1992 The National Gallery Women's Association Award.

### Residencies

- 2024 Moores Building Art Space Studio Residency, Fremantle.
- 2020 Blindside Offsite Residency, Blindside, Melbourne.

# Collections

Private Collections, Sydney, NSW Private Collections, Melbourne, VIC Private Collections, Canberra, ACT

# Bibliography

- 2006 Francis Atkinson, Aboard the Good Ship Nicholas, The Age, 25 March 2006.
- 1998 Discrete Projects, Arts 21, Victorian Ministry of the Arts Publication, Autumn 1998.
- 1996 Bruce James, *System Error,* Sydney Morning Herald, July 1996.
- Zara Stanhope, *Photostat*, Catalogue Essay, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Publication, May 1996.
- 1995 Danny Huppatz, Sight Unseen, A4/95, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Publication, 1995.
  Danny Huppatz, Cosmologies: The Art of Elke Varga and Troy Framstead, Broadsheet, summer 1995.
  Natalie King, Faktura, Photofile 46, November 1995.
- 1994 Gabrielle Martin, Sense, Agenda #39/40, summer 1994.

#### **Teaching, Employment and Professional Appointments**

- 2019-2023 Sessional Academic, Bachelor of Visual Arts, Arts Academy, Federation University, Ballarat.
- 2019-2021 Sessional Teaching Associate, Drawing, Monash Art Design & Architecture, Monash University.
- 2015-2013 Sessional Teaching Associate, Drawing, Monash Art Design & Architecture, Monash University.
- 2007-2011 Shakespeare Grove Artist Studio Advisory Group, City of Port Phillip, St Kilda, Melbourne.
- 1994-1999 Member of 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Artist and Writers Space, Melbourne