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**Grants/Awards**

Bike Rack Design Competition, Yukonstruct, Whitehorse, Yukon, 2019  
Major Artwork, Grand Hall, Haines Junction Convention Centre, Yukon, 2018/19  
Advanced Artist Award, Yukon Government, 2017  
Sculptural Project, *SubARCCtic V*, City of Yellowknife, Yellowknife, NWT, 2017  
Canada Council for the Arts, Travel Grant, 2017  
Tourism Banner Art Competition, Yukon Government, 2017  
Arts North of Ordinary, Cover Art Competition, 2016  
Yukon Touring Artist Fund, 2011, 2017  
Kaarle Hjalmar Lehtinen Fund/ Finnish Institute of Migration, 2008  
NWT Arts Council Grant, 2005, 1999, 1996, 1994  
Great Northern Arts Festival, Award of Excellence, Photography 1994  
Sooter's National Photo Contest, Canada, First Prize, 1990

**Forthcoming Exhibitions**

2020 *Stix & Stones*, Arts Underground, Whitehorse, Yukon (Solo)

**Selected Solo Exhibitions**

2019 *Ubiquitous*, Yukon Art Centre, Whitehorse, Yukon (CARFAC compliant)  
2018 *Precious*, Yukon Artists at Work, Whitehorse, Yukon  
2017 *SubARCCtic V*, City of Yellowknife, Yellowknife, NWT (CARFAC compliant)  
2016 *Beyond Focus*, Yukon Artists at Work, Whitehorse, Yukon  
2014 *Metal-Stone-Clay*, Yukon Artists at Work, Whitehorse, Yukon  
2014 *Insidious*, Arts Underground, Whitehorse, Yukon.  
2013 *Blood-letting: a rite of purification*, Gallery 22, Whitehorse, Yukon  
2011 *Shift*, Gallery 22, Whitehorse, Yukon  
2010 *Eye of the Lens*, Baked Café, Whitehorse, Yukon  
2000 - 2002 *Blood-letting: a rite of purification*, Prince of Wales Heritage Centre, Yellowknife, NWT. (Toured NWT)  
1998 *Northern Visions*, Indigo Gallery, Edmonton, AB (and Toured NWT)  
1995 *Our Forgotten North*, Prince of Wales Northern Heritage Centre, Yellowknife, NWT. (Toured NWT)

**Selected Group Exhibitions**

2018 Words North Art Exhibition, Dawson Creek, BC  
2016/17/19 Art House, Carcross, Yukon  
2016 *Internationalization: through the lens*, Beaumont Studio Galleries, Vancouver, BC  
2016 & 2015 *Created in the Canyon*, Northern Front Studio, Whitehorse, Yukon (CARFAC compliant)  
2015 *NWT Arts Council Retrospective*, Prince of Wales Northern Heritage Centre, Yellowknife, NWT (CARFAC)  
*Second Look*, Alberta Craft Council gallery, Edmonton, Alberta  
2013 *Set design/exhibit*, TEDx-Whitehorse, Whitehorse, Yukon  
2011 *100th Anniversary of International Women's Day*, Ayr Space Gallery, Ayr, Ontario.  
2008 Swish Gallery, Dubbo NSW Australia  
*Retrospect Galleries*, Sydney and Byron Bay, Australia  
2003 & 2006 Northern Life Museum, Fort Smith, NWT  
2001 *Film Fatale*, International Women's Day Exhibit, Iqaluit, Nunavut

## **Juried Art Festivals, Residencies and Fairs (selected)**

*Ted Harrison Artist Retreat*, Crag Lake, Yukon, Canada, 2018 (3 months)  
*The Arctic Circle Residency*, Svalbard, Norway, 2018, (Operated by the Farm Inc., New York, USA)  
*SubARCCtic V*, Yellowknife, NT, 2017. (CARFAC compliant for residency)  
Tissardmine Artist Residency, Morocco, 2016  
*En Plein Air Festival*, Whitehorse, Yukon, 2015, 2014. (CARFAC compliant)  
*Cranberry Fair*, Whitehorse, Yukon, annually 2011 thru 2019, 2009.  
*Great Northern Arts Festival*, Inuvik, NWT 2019, 2013, 2011, 1998, 1997, 1996, 1995, 1994  
*Naaka*, Hay River Arts Festival, NWT 2007  
*Nah a Dehe*, Open Sky Festival, Fort Simpson, NWT 2006, 2003

## **Artist Talks**

2019 St. Elias Convention Centre, Haines Junction, Yukon  
McBride Museum, Whitehorse, Yukon  
2018 Ted Harrison Retreat, Crag Lake, Yukon  
Arctic Circle Residency, Svalbard, Norway  
Diverbo English Language Program, La Alberca, Spain  
2017 Yellowknife Snow Castle, Yellowknife, NWT (CARFAC compliant)  
SubARCCtic V, Art-build site, Yellowknife, NWT (CARFAC compliant)  
2014 Yukon Artists at Work, Yukon  
1999 Diamond Jenness School, Hay River, NWT (CARFAC compliant)  
1998 William McDonald School, Yellowknife, NWT (CARFAC compliant)  
St. Patrick High School, Yellowknife, NWT (CARFAC compliant)

## **Selected Professional Experience**

2010-present Instructor: Art in Education / Yukon Art Ed-Venture, Artist in the School and City of Whitehorse programs, Yukon-wide.  
2016 Featured Artist, JAR workshop weekend and gala event, Haines Junction, YT  
Featured Artwork, International Women's Day, London Assembly, City Hall, UK  
2012-2013 Executive Director, Yukon Arts Society/Arts Underground, Whitehorse, YT  
2007 Featured Guest Artist / Workshop Instructor, Naaka, Hay River Arts Festival, NWT  
1998 Guest Celebrity, Peter Gzowski Invitational Golf Tournament for Literacy, Hay River, NWT  
1997 Author/Speaker. A Celebration of Northern Authors, Yellowknife, NWT  
1996 Featured artwork, CBC-TV, Northbeat studio backdrop, Yellowknife, NWT

## **Selected Publications:**

*Inuktitut Magazine*, Cover, Winter 2018-2019 / Issue 124, February, 2019, Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami, Ottawa, ON  
*The Northern Review*, Cover Art, Number 48, October 2018, Whitehorse, YT.  
*Arts North of Ordinary*, cover art competition, Whitehorse, YT, 2016/17  
*Yukon Fish & Wildlife Management Board*, Calendar, Yukon, 2017  
*Canada's Northwest Territories: a land of diversity*, Kromar Printing, MB, 2003.  
*Our Forgotten North: a glimpse of the subarctic in Canada's north*, Coast Color Press, BC, 1997.  
*Blood-letting: a rite of purification*, exhibition catalogue, Swarm Enterprises, AB, 2000.  
*Northern Vision Quest*, perpetual birthday calendar, Northern Visions exhibition, 1998.

Contributor. Photography and writing 1995-present: *Inuktitut Magazine*, *Canadian Geographic*, *UpHere Magazine*, *NWT Explorer's Guide*, *The Milepost*, *Borealis Magazine*, *Explore Magazine*, *River Magazine*, *Butter Fat Magazine (Dairyworld)*, *Okanagan Life Magazine*, *Horse Racing BC*.

Contributor. Stock photography 1995-present: *Gates Foundation*, *Over Canada: an aerial adventure*, *Yukon Government*, *Yukon Fish & Wildlife Management Board*, *Canada Post Corporation*, *Government of the Northwest Territories*.

## **Selected Media Coverage:**

2019 *Can Technology Be Trusted*, *Yukon North of Ordinary*, Vol. 13 Issue 3 Fall 2019, Karen McColl, Yukon  
*Challenged by Technology*, *What's Up Yukon*, Issue #646, Oct. 2, 2019, Danny McDonald, Yukon

### **Selected Media Coverage (continued):**

- 2018 *Evoking Kintsugi*, What's Up Yukon, Nov.14, Nicole Bauberger, Whitehorse, Yukon.  
*St. Elias Convention Centre project*, CBC Yukon-radio, May 30, Meagan Dueling, Whitehorse, Yukon.  
*Artist seeks garbage way north, Svalbard, Norway*, May 31, Tara McCarthy, CBC-radio, Whitehorse, Yukon.
- 2017 *Artists combine forces for Circumpolar Duet*, CBC Yukon- radio, Sept. 29, Dave White, Whitehorse, YT  
*Yukon tourism banners out for 2017*, CKRW 96.1 FM, June 13th, Whitehorse, YT.  
*Six new Yukon tourism banners*, CBC News Yukon, June 13, Whitehorse, YT.  
*Yukon tourism banners out for 2017*, Real Estate + Tourism, Canada, June 12.
- 2016 *The Art of Repurposing*, cover contest feature, Arts North of Ordinary 2016/17, Whitehorse, YT.  
*Exhibit of inspiring photographs to open today*, Whitehorse Star, Sept. 15, Whitehorse, YT.  
*Interview: Beyond Focus*, CBC-radio, A New Day, Sept 15, Whitehorse, YT
- 2014 *Yukon artist offers textured take on the natural world*, Yukon News, Oct. 24, Whitehorse, YT  
Interview. *Insidious*, CBC-Radio: Airplay, April 4, Whitehorse, Yukon  
*The Insidious Computer*, What's Up Yukon, April 17, Whitehorse, Yukon
- 2013 Interview. *Artist prepares for the Christmas Season*, CBC-Radio: Airplay, December 10, Whitehorse, YT  
*Spilt to see: artist Leslie Leong shows us her insides*, Whitehorse Daily Star, February 1, Whitehorse, Yukon.  
*Life is in the Blood*, What's Up Yukon, January 24, Whitehorse, Yukon.  
*The Bloody Business of Art*, Yukon news, January 18, Whitehorse, Yukon  
Interview. *Blood letting*, CBC-TV: Northbeat, January 18, Whitehorse, Yukon  
Interview. *Blood letting*, CBC-Radio, Whitehorse, Yukon
- 2011 *A Shape-Shifting Artist*, What's Up Yukon, November 24, Whitehorse, Yukon.  
*Shifting perspectives*, Yukon News, November 16, Whitehorse, Yukon.  
*Visual words get political at Arts Underground*, Yukon News, Friday, February 25, Whitehorse, Yukon.  
Interview. *One person's trash is another person's art*, CBC-Radio: Airplay, Whitehorse, YT  
Interview. *Shift Exhibition*, CKRW/Rush FM, Whitehorse, Yukon
- 2010 *Wide-ranging photographer captures both hemispheres*, Yukon News, Sept. 8, Whitehorse, YT.  
*Lens Like An Eye*, What's Up Yukon, August 26, Whitehorse, Yukon.
- 2002 Interview. *Blood letting*, CBC-TV: Northbeat, Yellowknife, NWT
- 1997 Interview. *Our Forgotten North*, CBC-TV: Northbeat, Yellowknife, NWT
- 1998 Interview. *Northern Visions Exhibition* CBC-TV: Northbeat, Yellowknife, NWT  
Interview, *Festival of the Midnight Sun Documentary Film*, Yellowknife, NWT

### **Collections:**

Private Collections: HRH Catherine, Duchess of Cambridge, UK; Private Collections in Canada, US, Australia. Germany, UK  
Permanent Collections: Northern Frontier Visitor Centre, Yellowknife, NWT; The Beckett School of Music, Kitchener-Waterloo, Ontario; Town of Fort Smith, NWT; Village of Haines Junction, Yukon; Northlight Innovation Centre, Whitehorse, Yukon.

### **Gallery Representation:**

Current: INSPIRED ARTS, Skagway, Alaska DOWN TO EARTH GALLERY, Yellowknife YUKON ARTISTS AT WORK, Whitehorse, Yukon ARTS UNDERGROUND, Whitehorse, Yukon MCBRIDE MUSEUM OF YUKON HISTORY, Whitehorse, Yukon  
Past: JUST IMAJAN GALLERY, Cochrane, Alberta KIRMSE'S CURIOS, SEVIGNY GALLERY & SKAGWAY JEWELRY CO., Skagway, Alaska DANCING MOOSE, Dawson City, Yukon POT O' GOLD, Whitehorse, Yukon SWISH GALLERY & RETROSPECTIVE GALLERIES, NSW Australia GALLERY OF THE MIDNIGHT SUN, Yellowknife

### **Professional Associations**

- 2019 Member, CARFAC National, Ottawa, ON
- 2012– present Member, Chair/ Past Chair / Board Member (2015-present), Yukon Artists at Work Society/Cooperative, Whitehorse, Yukon
- 2015 – present Jury member/developer, *reDesign*, reclaimed, post-consumer, recycled show, Whitehorse, Yukon
- 2009 – present Member, Yukon Art Society, Whitehorse, Yukon & Board Member 2013-2016
- 2013, 2016 Member, BC Craft Council, Vancouver, BC
- 1997-2002 Founding Member/Director, The Artists of the South Slave Society, Ft. Smith, NWT
- 1989– present Registered Professional Engineer, British Columbia (Non-practicing / EGBC / K. L. Leong)