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MANYATSA MONYAMANE | BIO & CV

Manyatsa Monyamane (b. 1989, Mamelodi, South Africa) is a Gauteng-based visual storyteller, inspired and influenced by African literature, theatre and everyday surroundings. Her work unpacks unpopular themes, putting a spotlight on stories often overlooked by mainstream media. She holds a Btech in Photography from the Tshwane University of Technology and is currently completing a Master of Arts in Fine Arts at the University of the Witwatersrand.

Her cutting edge photography has seen her being a finalist at Pop Cap 2016 and in 2017, Multi & New Media Merit Award Winner and Lizamore & Associates Mentorship Program Winner all for the Thami Mnyele Fine Arts Awards and Merit Award Winner of the Absa L'Atelier Art Competition which landed her a residency with the Ampersand Foundation in New York. In 2018 she was announced as a finalist for the International Women Photographers Award with a travelling exhibition in Dubai, New Delhi, Tokyo and Paris. She was also awarded the US Wordfees Award for Visual Arts category.

Monyamane was part of a group exhibition titled *Where I seek I find Myself* which was on show at Mocada Museum in Brooklyn, New York and in September with Photoville 2018 also in Brooklyn. She was selected by World Press Photo as one of the 6 African talents of the 4th edition of the 6x6 Global Talent Program. In March 2019 she was selected to attend the New York Portfolio Review and also awarded the Tierney Fellowship for photography.

A selection of works from the *Before and After* series premiered at 1-54 London 2020 and 1-54 Online, powered by Christie's.

EXHIBITIONS

2021

- Cologne Fine Art & Design, THK Gallery
- *TransForm*, THK Cologne Group Show, Cologne, Germany
- *Serithi*, THK Gallery, Online exclusive
- 1-54 Paris Online, THK Gallery

2020 – 2021

- *Reflect. Reimagine. Reset.*, THK Gallery, Cape Town

2020

- 1-54 London, THK Gallery

2019

- *International Women Photographer's Award Laureate*, Alliance Française de Durban, Botanical Gardens Ethekwini
- *International Women Photographer's Award Laureate*, Eyethu Lifestyle Center, Soweto
- *International Women Photographer's Award Laureate*, Alliance Française, Johannesburg

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2019

- *Eyes on Main Street*, Eyes on Main Street Outdoor Photo Festival, Wilson, North Carolina
- *World Press Photo*, World Press Photo Festival, Amsterdam, Netherlands
- *Binary Opposites*, The Klein Karoo Nasionale Kunstefees (KKNK), Oudtshoorn, Western Cape
- *Serithi*, Lizamore & Associates Gallery, Johannesburg, Gauteng

2018

- *World Press Photo*, World Press Photo Festival, Maputo, Mozambique
- *ALTAR: Photoville*, Brooklyn, New York
- *Where I Seek, I Find Myself*, MoCADA museum, Brooklyn, New York
- *International Women Photographer's Award*, La Galerie, French Alliance, Dubai, United Arab Emirates
- *International Women Photographer's Award*, Canon Japan Headquarter Gallery, Tokyo, Japan
- *International Women Photographer's Award*, Marie (City Hall), Paris, France
- Turbine Art Fair, Lizamore & Associates Gallery, Johannesburg, Gauteng
- US Woodfees, Stellenbosch, Western Cape
- *Serithi*, Lizamore & Associates Gallery, Johannesburg, Gauteng

2017

- National Art Bank Launch exhibition, Oliewenhuis Art Museum, Bloemfontein, Free State
- *Giving it Horns Wings*, Group Exhibition, Cradle of Humankind, Johannesburg, Gauteng
- *Art @ First, Women's Exhibition*, with Lizamore & Associates, First Rand & RMB, Johannesburg, Gauteng
- *Fresh Produce*, Turbine Art Fair, Johannesburg, Gauteng

2016

- Vavasati Festival, Women's Exhibition, State Theatre, Pretoria, Gauteng
- *Gender Equality Today*, FADA Atrium, University of Johannesburg, Gauteng

TEACHING, LECTURESHIPS AND WORKSHOPS

2019

- Assistant photography lecturer at the University of the Witwatersrand (WSOA)
- Photography workshop at The Schomburg Center in Harlem
- Member of the Tshwane University of Technology Photography Advisory Board

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TEACHING, LECTURESHIPS AND WORKSHOPS (CONTINUED)

2017

- Photography trainer at the Market Photo Workshop

2015

- Photography tutor for 1st year students at Tshwane University of Technology

AWARDS AND MERITS

2019

- New York Portfolio Review

2018

- World Press Photo 6X6 Global Talent
- US Woodfees Award for Visual Arts category
- Finalist for International Women Photographers Award

2017

- Merit Award Winner for Absa L'Atelier Competition
- Multi & New Media Merit Award for Thami Mnyele Fine Arts Awards
- Winner for Lizamore & Associates Mentorship Programme Exhibition for the 2017 Thami Mnyele Fine Arts Awards

RESIDENCIES

2018

- One-month residency with the Ampersand Foundation in New York

GRADUATE

2016

- Btech in Photography, Tshwane University of Technology

SELECTED ARTICLES AND REVIEWS

2019

- *Visual Artist' View on South Africa*, Fairlady Magazine, February 2019 edition

2018

- *Here's how 6 Visual Artists are Honouring Black Womanhood*, Unlabelled Magazine, February 2018 edition
- *Through Her Eyes*, Destiny Magazine, January 2018 edition
- *Photo Essay*, Joburg Style Magazine, January 2018 edition

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SELECTED ARTICLES AND REVIEWS (CONTINUED)

2017

- *Powerful voices reclaiming their spaces*, Creative Feel Magazine, September 2017 edition
- *The 20 Emerging Black Womxn Photographers in South Africa You Should Know*, Between 10and5
- *Unsung Heroes: Joburg photographer Manyatsa Monyamane Captures Youth of the '70s in Powerful New Series*, Between 10and5
- *Portfolio*, Jozi Jols Issue 8

PUBLICATIONS

2018

- *Mfon: Women Photographers of the African Diaspora* by Laylah Amutullah Barrayn and Adama Delphine Fawund, EYE & INC. New York

RESEARCH WORKS

2019

- A short film in partial fulfilment of the Master of Arts in Fine Arts Proposal
- <https://vimeo.com/384848377>
- Password: Legotla

2016

- *An Analysis of Alternative Methods of Representation in South African Fashion Photography*, Tshwane University of Technology Arts Campus Library