## Chrysi A. Bezirgiannidou (Chrysa)

Curriculum Vitae

#### **Contact Information**

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## **Education**

#### 2025

PhD in Design, University of the Aegean, Department of Product and Systems Design Engineering.

**Dissertation Title:** "The Emergence and Formation of Printed Digital Art in Greece."

#### 2009-2011

Postgraduate studies in Printmaking (Art Project), under the supervision of Prof. Xenophon Sachinis,

School of Visual and Applied Arts, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki.

Awarded a two-year scholarship from the State Scholarships Foundation (IKY).

**Thesis Title:** "The Variability of the Print Matrix Texture as a Factor in Creating Composition."

### 2008

Integrated Master's Degree, School of Visual and Applied Arts, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki.

Major in Printmaking, Final Grade: 9.34/10.

## **Artistic Exhibitions**

## **International Group Exhibitions (Selected)**

#### 2025

- 7th Awagami International Miniature Print Exhibition, Tokushima, Japan
- 19th International Digital Miniprint Exhibition: Map Deviations, Le Centre d'artistes Voix Visuelle, Ottawa, Canada **First Prize**
- Miniprint Internacional 2024 Plantas Nativas, Buenos Aires, Argentina

## 2024

• 12th International Interdisciplinary Symposium on Art, Science and Technology – MEDEA 2024, Hermoupolis, Syros, Greece

#### 2023

- 18th International Digital Miniprint Exhibition: Symbiosis, Ottawa, Canada
- 6th Awagami International Miniature Print Exhibition, Tokushima, Japan Semifinalist Award
- 6th International Ex Libris Exhibition, Skopje, North Macedonia

## 2021

• 1st and 2nd International Exhibition of Simultaneous Territories, Latin America (Online)

## 2020

 MEDEA 2020 TransPRINT 2 – Contemporary Polish & Greek Printmaking, Curated by Mirosław Pawłowski

#### 2009

- 6th Printmaking Festival, Évora, Portugal
- "Printing as an Event", Leipzig International Book Fair, Germany

#### 2008-2007

• Exhibitions in Krakow (Galeria Zejście I.S.A.P.), Tallinn, Estonia (International Print Schools Exhibition)

## **National Group Exhibitions (Greece – Selected)**

## 2025

- "The Unbearable Weirdness of Being", Cultural Association of Megara "O Theognis"
- "PHARMAKON/VENENUM", 8th Art Thessaloniki Alumni of the School of Fine Arts of Thessaloniki

### 2024

• "DPSD Spirit with African-Inspired Masks", student exhibition co-curated with Assoc. Prof. Florentia Oikonomidou, AnimaSyros Festival, Syros

## 2023

- "The Way I See You", Ro Art Gallery, Thessaloniki
- Co-curated student exhibitions at AnimaSyros and Archaeological Dialogues 2023:
  - o "Mythological and Contemporary Monsters", Syros
  - o "Masks of Mythological Creatures in Dialogue with Antiquity", Syros

#### 2022

- 6th Art Thessaloniki International Fair: "Identities" Group exhibition of Fine Arts Alumni
- "Nikos Kazantzakis: Askitiki", Govedarou Art Gallery, Thessaloniki
- Co-curation: "Return: Two Exhibitions Haiti-Greece 1821–2021", Ermoupoli, Syros

### 2018-2015

- "Genius Loci The Spirit of the Place", Syros
- "A Dive into the Digital World", group exhibition touring Mytilene, Thessaloniki, Athens, Syros

### 2009-2006

- Numerous exhibitions in Thessaloniki, Athens, Chios, Florina, and Crete:
  - o Macedonian Museum of Contemporary Art
  - Teloglion Foundation of Arts
  - o Museum of Visual Arts "Vasso Katraki"
  - o "Field of Action Kodra" Festival
  - o National Bank Cultural Center, Thessaloniki
  - o Biennale and Triennale student shows

## **Solo Exhibitions**

## 2024

• "Her Thread", The Room – Picap Exhibition Space, Thessaloniki

## 2018

• "Rebetes", Ano Syros Cultural Center

## 2013

• "GRANDE II", Ro Art Gallery, Thessaloniki

## 2011

• "Transparency", Ano Syros

### 2010

• Set Design for the play "Eliza" by Xenia Kalogeropoulou, directed by Rania Michailidou, Sykies Municipal Theater, Thessaloniki

#### 2008

• "Prints", Ano Syros

#### 2007

• "2 Hysteries", Vlassis Art Space, Thessaloniki

# **Professional Experience**

## 2021-present

Contract Lecturer at the University of the Aegean, Department of Product and Systems Design Engineering.

Courses: Design–Color (Studio 1A & Studio 2A)

#### 2009-2021

Visual arts teacher in public education (subject: Aesthetic Education).

### Collaborations with:

- Teloglion Foundation of Arts
- Olympic Museum of Thessaloniki
- Children's creative programs by Aristotle University of Thessaloniki
- Public Institutes of Vocational Training (IEK)
- Second Chance Schools

#### **Affiliations:**

- Member of the Chamber of Fine Arts of Greece
- Member of the Association of Visual Arts Educators

#### **Social Engagement:**

Co-founder of the Syros Environmental Quality Observatory.

Donated artworks for charitable causes.

### **Artistic Practice:**

Printmaking, painting, installations, collage, mixed media, digital prints, and video animation. Themes explored: alienation, identity, and more.

## **Scholarships and Awards**

- **2025:** 1st Prize for *Self–City Horizons* at the 19th International Digital Miniprint Exhibition, Ottawa, Canada
- **2023:** Semi-finalist Award at the 6th Awagami International Miniature Print Exhibition, Tokushima, Japan
- 2022 & 2023: Teaching Excellence Awards, University of the Aegean
- 2009–2011: IKY Scholarship for postgraduate art project in Printmaking

• **2009:** Commendation at the Graduate Exhibition, School of Fine Arts, Aristotle University, hosted at the Macedonian Museum of Contemporary Art

## **Selected Artistic Participation**

## **International Group Exhibitions**

(Selected: 2025–2006)

Includes participations in Canada, Japan, Argentina, Estonia, Poland, Portugal, Germany, etc.

## **National Group Exhibitions**

(Selected: 2025–2006)

Exhibitions in Thessaloniki, Syros, Athens, Heraklion, Florina, and more.

#### **Solo Exhibitions**

- 2024: Her Thread, The Room, Picap Exhibition Space, Thessaloniki
- 2018: Rebetes, Ano Syros Cultural Center
- Others: Thessaloniki, Ano Syros (2007–2013)

#### **Collections**

Artworks held in:

- Macedonian Museum of Contemporary Art
- State Museum of Contemporary Art, Florina
- State Scholarships Foundation (IKY)
- A. Tassos Visual Arts Society
- "Helios" Printmaking Center, Thessaloniki
- Aristotle University of Thessaloniki
- Various private collections

## **Conferences and Presentations**

**2010:** Speaker at "Printmaking & Culture: Past & Present", Florina Presentation: "The Concept of Printmaking in a Digital World"

## **Publications**

## 2025:

- The Hand Magazine, Spring Issue 48 (ISSN: 2476-1427), p.9
- Bezirgiannidou, C., & Leontakianakou, I. "Nestoras Papanikolopoulos: A Pioneer of Digital Art in Greece."

International Journal for Digital Art History, No. 10

DOI:10.11588/dahj.2025.10.92145

### 2023:

• Nisides Art & Literature Magazine, Issue 25 (ISSN: 1792-0744)

# **Seminars – Continuing Education**

## 2025:

 "Accessibility Days: Smart Technologies for Universal Design", University of the Aegean

### 2024:

- Summer School "Innovation, Tech & Culture", Athens University of Economics & Business
- ERUA Travelling Seminar, Paris & Syros: Writing a Research Thesis in the Post-Digital Age and Generative AI
- "Preparing a Research Thesis in the Post-Digital Era" Paris

### 2021:

• 2nd Online Biennale on Practical Philosophy, L.R.P.Ph.

## 2020-2021:

• Intensive Training in Remote Teaching (20 hrs, synchronous & asynchronous)

### 2015:

• Knowledge Update Program for Fine Arts Graduates (100 hours, 9 ECTS), University of the Aegean