SEPIDEH JAHANPANAH

Throughout the years, my work has evolved from the fragility and vitality of organic materials, where I explored the cycle of life, death and decay through ephemeral artworks, to ceramics, focusing on enduring forms that embodies this cycle. With ceramic material, I try to channel the vitality of the production process into the material, leaving marks, textures, and imperfections visible to bring a sense of life and decay into a traditionally static medium. This approach allows viewers to engage more deeply with the pieces I make, discovering new layers of interpretation with each encounter. In my artistic practice, I allow the creative process to unfold organically, choosing not to impose strict control over my work. This approach, I believe, is a response to my upbringing in an over-controlled society in Iran, where my individuality and decision-making abilities were often stifled. Through my art, I reclaim a sense of freedom, allowing my work to be an honest reflection of my inner world. The surprises and imperfections in my creations are acts of resistance, embracing spontaneity and unpredictability, challenging the constraints of my past.

WEBSITES

sepidehj.com SOCIAL MEDIA

www.instagram.com/desertspiritceramic/www.facebook.com/sepide.jahanpanah/

OPLEIDINGEN

2015 - Master of Artistic Research Den Haag,
 2017 Koninklijke Academie van Beeldende
 Kunsten Diploma behaald

2005 - Artisanal Crafts Art university of Isfahan

2009 Diploma behaald

TENTOONSTELLINGEN

2023 Daily Defiance, Iran: Art of Protest Korte Vijverberg 2 Den Haag, Nederland I had three artworks in this exhibition: My Alborz, sculpture Democracy, performance Hossein Ronaghi, sculpture ourdailydefiance.wordpress.com/ Groep

2023 Daily Defiance KV02 Den Haag, Nederland We are a group of artists and individuals unified with a common

PROJECTEN

2022

Echoes of The Past Den Haag, Nederland sepidehj.com "Echoes of the Past" (started in 2021) draws on the paradox between ceramic, being one of the most sustaining materials ever created by humans, with what it depicts – namely, erosion and decay. This material quality of 'fixed decaying' evokes associations with a rich culture that is painfully unknown to the rest of the world. In this vein, the project considers the potential to recollect the cultural and topographical landscapes of Iran.

concern of our Homeland. In the Daily Defiance Exhibition, we will gather to observe different artforms created during the Woman, Life, Freedom uprising in Iran. Art plays a vital role in protest movements by catalyzing changes that nations and groups seek in order to actualize their dreams for freedom and social justice. Also, in this exhibition we will look at decades of oppression of women and how they have found their voice with the current movement, which is a feminist revolution. We would like to invite you to visit our exhibition at KV02, The Hague. This exhibition includes paintings, sculptures, videos and digital art, short movies, performances, and talks. <u>ourdailydefiance.wordpress.com/</u> Groep

2019

'Iran'"

- 2023 GO West Studio Borgerstraat 24
 Rotterdam, Nederland I showed my
 docu-installation "Documentation of a
 Possible Artwork, 'Iran'" ss a guest artist
 invited by artists of 004-collective for
 the GO West expo.
 kunstambassade.nl/nieuws/kunstambassa
 - <u>kunstambassade.nl/nieuws/kunstambassade+expo/</u> Groep
- 2023 Common Grounds The Grey Space in The Middle Den Haag, Nederland "Common Ground" was a group exhibition that took place in The Grey Space in The Middle as part of Bermuda open studios in June 2023.

 thegreyspace.net/program/bermuda-open-studios-03-06-2023/
 Groep
- 2020 Echoes of the Past The Grey Space in the Middle Den Haag, Nederland Solo
- 2020 MOAM in the Hortus Hortus
 Amsterdam Amsterdam, Nederland 15
 young multidisciplinary artists are
 invited to create works around the
 subject sustainability inspired by the
 smart plants in Hortus Amsterdam. My
 work challenges the mainstream notion
 of sustainability and depicts the two
 conflicts I believe there is between
 human nature and the concept of
 sustainability.
 moamamsterdam.com/portfolio/5559/

Groep

"Documentary of a Possible Artwork" Den Haag, Nederland sepidehj.com/2017/07/01/documentationof-a-possible-artwork-corner/ This is an ongoing art project started in 2016 The possibility of an artwork can be understood from a collection of absurd acts. An absurd act being a continual process of a never existing artwork. The filmed material does not follow a structure - it brings some of my social and feminine issues together with the idea of documentation as an artistic format. So far, two docu-installations have taken place regarding this project in The Hague and Rotterdam: "Documentation of a Possible Artwork: 'Corner'" and "Documentation of a Possible Artwork:

2017 "Relay" Royal Academy of Arts The
Hague Den Haag, Nederland "A
documentation of a Possible
Artwork,Corner"
sepidehj.com/2017/07/01/documentationof-a-possible-artwork-corner/
Groep

2017 1646 art gallery project space Den Haag, Nederland "A documentation of a Possible Artwork"

sepidehj.com/2017/01/01/175/
Groep

2016 "An Infinite Game of Chance" LocatieZ –
The Hague Den Haag, Nederland
"Purifying as a form of life"
sepidehj.com/2016/06/04/purifyingas-a-form-of-life/
Groep

2016 "When everyone is drunk, it doesn't matter how it looks" Royal Gallery, KABK Den Haag, Nederland "Decaying as a Form of Life"

sepidehj.com/2016/01/15/236/
Groep

2013 "Oral Experiences" Takesh Art Gallery – Isfahan Isfahan, Iran
Duo

OPDRACHTEN

Divided Connections Den Haag,
Nederland Searching for her roots and
background in depth and inspired by
nature and rituals, Loïs Brandsen
designed ten well crafted outfits, for
which I was invited to design a series of
jewels. Having a lot in common in our
visual and conceptual inspirations with
Brandsen, made this project an
opportunity for me to express myself
within a collaboration with another
creative person.

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Uitgevoerd

PRIJZEN EN STIPENDIA

2017 Master Artistic Research department award Royal Academy of Arts The Hague Nederland for graduation work "A documentary of a possible Artwork, Corner"

- 2022 -- teaching hand-building ceramic techniques in private workshops Loopt nog
- 2020 -- design and produce sculptural vessels Loopt nog
- 2018 -- Design porcelain/ceramic jewellery Loopt nog
- 2016 teaching arts and crafts to kids2019
- 2010 design and produce handy crafts and2014 bags



My Alborz, 2023 Steengoed Keramiek, 20x20x43



My Alborz, 2023 steengoed keramiek, 20x20x43



Hossein Ronaghi, 2023 steengoed keramiek, 20x18x43



Democracy, 2023 Performance, Keramiek



Democracy, 2023 Performance, Keramiek



Documentation of a Possible Artwork, 'Iran', 2023 mixed media, videos, 2mx180cmx150cm



Documentation of a Possible Artwork, 'Iran', 2023 mixed media, videos, 2mx180cmx150cm







Echoes of the Past, 2023 Textile, ceramic, soundscape, 420x210x50cm