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EDUCATION

B.Sc. (Combined Honours) Physiology & Pharmacology (obtained 2.1)

University College London (UCL)
Sep. 2006-2009

NOTABLE PROJECTS + FEATURES

The Southern Review Journal | Summer 2025 Issue

Featured in The Southern Review (2025), published by Louisiana State University and one of the United States' most prestigious literary journals, highlighting my cultural contribution to contemporary African art.

Carnaval de Santa Cruz de Tenerife Poster Design, 2024

Created the poster for the Santa Cruz de Tenerife Carnival 2025 with the theme, "Secrets of Africa". First African painter to do since the carnival's inception in 1962.

Usher Raymond, "Ruin" Music Video Feature, 2024

Five (5) paintings featured in GRAMMY award-winning, multi-platinum singer's music video, Usher, ahead of his Super Bowl LVIII performance. Music video directed by GRAMMY award-winning Director, Dave Meyers.

Oprah Winfrey Network (OWN) Feature, 2023

Several works featured in All The Single Ladies, The Oprah Winfrey Network (OWN)

Law & Order: Organized Crime Television Series, 2022

Several works licensed for, and featured across Law & Order: Organized Crime Television Series

ABC Network's Black-ish Television Series, 2022

Artwork featured in the Season 8 Finale Episode

ABOUT

I am a self-taught Nigerian visual artist whose practice, Igbo Vernacular Art, is grounded in my cultural heritage. I work primarily with acrylic paint and ink on canvas, and occasionally on paper, using these mediums to create layered compositions with precision and intricate detailing.

My work draws from the traditions, symbols, and narratives of Igbo culture to create contemporary expressions that bridge local histories and global conversations. Through my paintings, I aim to preserve cultural memory while reinterpreting it for modern audiences.

My work has been exhibited internationally, including at The Africa Centre in London and the Museu Etnològic de Barcelona, and is held in notable institutional and private collections across Africa, Europe, and North America.

AWARDS

01 Arise News + ThisDay | 100 Women Impacting Africa 2026

02 Veuve Clicquot Bold Woman Award Winner 2024

03 Rising Woman Africa, 2023 NBC Washington

04 "Breaking the Bias" Woman Business Day Nigeria

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

ngala kwesili: Pride Within | November 2025

OOA Gallery, Madrid, Spain

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onye isi ikanga: Proud Beings | May 2025

Ferrara Showman Gallery, New Orleans, USA

Women of the Elephant Tusk: ndi otu odu | September 2024

The Africa Centre, London, United Kingdom

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All Roads Led Here | April 2024

Ferrara Showman Gallery, New Orleans, USA

Pink Party | September 2022

Band of Vices Gallery, Los Angeles, USA

i'je awel'le: A Beautiful Journey, A Safe Journey | June 2021

Ferrara Showman Gallery, New Orleans, USA

nwa abgo: Entering Adolescence | April 2019

Ferrara Showman Gallery, New Orleans, USA

INSTITUTIONAL EXHIBITIONS

Collecting Now Group Exhibition | October 2025

Yemisi Shyllon Museum of Art, Lagos, Nigeria
Upcoming exhibition

Bridges of Culture: Contemporary African Art through Women's Eyes | November 2024

Museum of Ethnology and Cultures of the World of Barcelona, (MuEC), Spain

Identity Measures | August 2019

Contemporary Art Centre New Orleans (CACNO), New Orleans, USA

Back to the Future: Slll Here Tomorrow to High Five You Yesterday | July 2019

Zeitz MOCAA, Cape Town, South Africa

Annual Masquerade Ball - Group Exhibition | November 2017

Museum of Contemporary African Diasporan Arts (MoCADA), New York, U.S.A.

NOTABLE COLLECTIONS

01 African Export-Import (Afrexim) Bank Contemporary Art Collection

02 AXA XL Insurance Company Art Collection UK

03 Beth Rudin De Woody Art Patron The Bunker Art Space

04 Casa Carnaval Santa Cruz Carnival Museum, Tenerife Canary Islands, Spain

05 CCH Pounder Art Patron and Hollywood Actress

06 Kent Kelly Art Patron and trustee High Museum of Art Atlanta

DUO EXHIBITIONS

Afropolitans | REWA + Boris Anjel | December 2022

OOA Gallery, Barcelona, Spain

Ladies of Leisure | REWA + Megan Gabrielle Harris May 2022

DeBuck Gallery, New York, USA

Emacipation + Liberation | REWA + Oluwole Omofemi February 2021

OOA Gallery, Barcelona, Spain

Her Story: Sisterhood That Transcends | REWA + Dagmar van Weeghel | September 2017

The Gallery of African Art (GAFRA), London, UK

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

Africa Rises in the Fall | August 2022

OOA Gallery, London, United Kingdom

Mescaline - C11H17NO3 | August 2021

Band of Vices Gallery, Los Angeles, USA

Deus Ex Femina | March 2021

Art Dubai + AKKA Project, Dubai, UAE

The Truth About Me | March 2021

ArtLeadHer, Urban Zen Gallery, New York, USA

Addicted to Africa | March 2021

Artsy + Out Of Africa Gallery, Barcelona, Spain

In The Midst Of All That Is | January 2021

Band Of Vices Gallery, Los Angeles, USA

Inspiration in Isolation | November 2020

Ferrara Showman Gallery, New Orleans, USA

Kwetu: A Celebration of Black Art August 2020

London.gov.uk (virtual exhibition)

ReLe Gallery Young Contemporaries Alumni Exhibition | January 2020

Nigerian National Museum, Nigeria

inu nwynye: Bride Price | September 2018

Ferrara Showman Gallery, New Orleans

Summer Art Fair | June 2018

The Gallery of African Art (GAFRA), London, UK

ReLe Young Contemporaries 2017 Exhibition January 2017

ReLe Gallery, Lagos, Nigeria

ART FAIRS

International Festival of Contemporary Art (IFCA) November 2024

Algiers, Algeria

Art Miami | December 2023

Ferrara Showman Gallery, New Orleans, USA

Art on Paper | September 2023

New York, USA

Rand Merchant Bank (RMB) Latitudes Art Fair May 2023

Johannesburg, South Africa

Art Market San Francisco | April 2023

Ferrara Showman Gallery, New Orleans, USA

Scope Miami, South Beach, Miami, USA December 2022

Out of Africa Gallery, Barcelona, Spain

Art Miami | November 2020

South Beach, Miami, USA

Art Expo Chicago | April 2022

DeBuck Gallery Booth Chicago, USA

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Art Market San Francisco | April 2022

Ferrara Showman Gallery Booth San Francisco, USA

Art Miami | December 2021

Ferrara Showman Gallery Booth, Miami, U.S.A.

Art Miami | December 2020

Ferrara Showman Gallery Booth, Miami, U.S.A.

Art Miami | November 2020

Ferrara Showman Gallery Booth, Miami, U.S.A.

Art Dubai | March 2020

ReLe Gallery Booth, Dubai, United Arab Emirates
