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### CURRICULUM VITAE—Updated 2017

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#### Education

2014

**MFA**, Ceramics, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL.

1999

**BFA**, Studio and Craft, Al-Zahra University, Tehran, Iran.

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#### Exhibitions (Selected Group and Solo Exhibitions)

2017

Group Exhibition Selected By Committee, “Jewish Contemporary Artists” Mandel JCC Palm Beach Gardens, FL.

Group Exhibition By Invitation, “**Under the cloths is skin. Under the skin is sound. And her**” Bailey Contemporary Art Center, Pompano Beach, FL.

Group Exhibition, “**WOMEN**”, Lantana Library, Lantana, FL.

2016

Group Exhibition By Invitation, “**Fragile**” Contemporary Art Museum of Isfahan, Isfahan, Iran.

Solo Exhibition, “**Imagined Boundaries**” Palm Beach Cultural Council, Lake Worth, FL.

Group Exhibition By Invitation, “**International Fajr Art Exhibition**”, Saba Cultural Institution, Tehran, Iran.

Group Exhibition, “**Cultural Mosaic**” Palm Beach Garden Gallery, Palm Beach Garden, FL.

2015

Group Exhibition By Invitation, “**Fragile**” Niavaran Cultural Center, Tehran, Iran.

Exhibition, “**Faculty Annual Exhibition**” Schmitt Gallery at FAU, Boca Raton, FL.

Exhibition, “**Artistically Speaking**” The group exhibition of South Florida Female Artists, Cornell Museum, Delray, FL.

Exhibition, “**Collective Dialogue**” The group exhibition of Art Salon, Armory Art Gallery, West Palm Beach, FL.

Group Exhibition, “**Anar**” The group exhibition of Iranian artists of South Florida, Lantana, FL.

Exhibition, “**Existence**” Girls Club Gallery, Fort Lauderdale, FL.

Exhibition, “**Faculty Annual Exhibition**” Boca Raton Museum of Art, Boca Raton, FL.

2014

Solo Exhibition By Invitation, “**Another Birth**” Eissey Campus Theatre Gallery, Palm Beach Gardens, FL.

Group Exhibition, “**Southern Exposure: New Work Now**” Palm Beach Cultural Council, Lake Worth, FL.

Group Exhibition, “**Confluence**”, Schmidt Center Gallery, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL.

2013

Women’s History Month Exhibition, “**Our History, Our strength**”, S.E. Wimberly Library, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL.

2012

Group Exhibition, “**Continuum**”, Palm Beach Cultural Council, Lake Worth, FL.

Group Exhibition Selected By Jury, “Women in Visual Art”, Armory Art Center, Palm Beach, FL.

2011

The 60th Ceramic League Members' Exhibition Juried By Nan Smith, National Council on Education for the Ceramic Arts in Tampa, FL.

2010

Open Studio, Ceramic League of Miami, Miami, FL.

The 10<sup>th</sup> Annual National Cup Show Juried By Dean Adams, Kent State University School of Arts Galleries, Kent, OH.

2009

Group Exhibition Selected By Committee, Deering Estate at Cutler Bay, Miami, FL.

International Cup Show Juried By Patti Warashina, The Clay Studio of Missoula, Missoula, MT.

2006

Group Exhibition By Committee, "**Salute to Women**"; Homestead Art Club, Homestead, FL.

The 58th Ceramic League Members' Juried Helen Helen Otterson, Swenson Gallery, Miami, FL.

2005

The 57th Ceramic League Members' Juried Exhibition, Swenson Gallery, Miami, FL.

2003

Second Annual "**Handmade**" Exhibition, Miami, FL.

Group Exhibition, Florida Craftsmen, St. Petersburg, FL.

2001

Group Exhibition Selected By Committee, "**Spring into Art**", Lowe Art Museum, Miami, FL.

Solo Exhibition, Gilded Hand Gallery, Miami, FL

2000

Group Exhibition of Ceramic Artists, Golestan Gallery, Tehran, Iran.

Group Exhibition, Sabz Gallery, Tehran, Iran.

Group Exhibition, Katibe Gallery, Tehran, Iran.

The 7th Biennial Exhibition of Iranian Potters Selected By Committee, Mashhad, Iran.

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## Collaborative Projects

2016

"**Ugly Birds**", Collaboration with Artist Sibel Kocabasi, Palm Beach Cultural Council, Lake Worth, FL.

"**Whose Blood is Redder? Performance**", Collaboration with Artist Linda Behar, FAT Village Art Complex, Fort Lauderdale, FL.

2015

"**Peace Cylinder Performance**", Collaboration with Artist Linda Behar and Musician Reza Filsoofi, Lantana Library, Lantana, FL.

"**Peace Cylinder Performance**", Collaboration with Artist Linda Behar and Musician Reza Filsoofi, The Peace Corps Iran Associate Conference, University of Texas, Austin, TX.

2014

"**Peace Cylinder Performance**", Collaboration with Artist Linda Behar, Group Exhibition, "**Southern Exposure: New Work Now**", Palm Beach Cultural Council, Lake Worth, FL.

2013

"**Peace Cylinder Performance**", Collaboration with Artist Linda Behar, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL.

2012

**“Peace Cylinder Performance”**, Collaboration with Artist Linda Behar, Art Salon, Armory Art Center, Palm Beach, FL.

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### **Academic Appointments**

2016- Present

**Assistant Professor of Ceramics**, University of Texas at Rio Grande Valley, Edinburg, TX.

2014-2016

**Adjunct Instructor:** The Harriet L. Wilkes Honors College, Florida Atlantic University, Jupiter, FL.

**Adjunct Instructor:** Palm Beach State College, Eissey Campus, Palm Beach Gardens, FL.

**Adjunct Instructor:** Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL.

2014-2015

**Adjunct Instructor:** Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL.

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### **Professional Experiences**

2017

**Curator and American Coordinator:** The International Ceramics Exhibition “Frontier”, Tehran, Iran.

**Juror and Curator:** The Students’ Exhibition at South Texas College, McAllen, TX.

2016

**Visiting Artist**, Chautauqua Institute of Art, Chautauqua, NY.

**Co-Curator**, Women: Untitled, Palm Beach Cultural Council, Lake Worth, Palm Beach, FL.

2015

**Juror:** Dina Baker Prize at Palm Beach Cultural Council, Lake Worth, FL.

2005-2010

**Chair of Committees for Firing, Chemical and Workshops**, Ceramic League of Miami, Miami, FL.

**Vice President:** Ceramic League of Miami, Miami, FL.

1999-2001

**Co-Founder:** Gardoon Mehr Art Studio, Tehran, Iran.

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### **Awards/Honors/Grants**

2017

**South Florida Cultural Consortium Fellowship Award** for Visual and Media Artists Regional Juried Application. (\$7,500.00)

**Faculty Research Grant** from the Office of Global Engagement, University of Texas Rio Grande Valley. (\$2, 200.00)

**Certification of Recognition**, In appreciation for the commendable service to the Women Faculty Networking, University of Texas Rio Grande Valley.

2016

**Dave Bown Projects** - 12th Semiannual Competition (Curators: Kathleen Goncharov, Irene Hofmann, Al Miner) Award of Excellence (Unrestricted monetary award \$1000).

**Start-Up Fund**, Dean’s Office, College of Fine Art, The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley, (\$5,000.00)

**Certification of Appreciation**, In recognition of teaching excellence at Palm Beach State College,

Edward M. Eissey Campus, Palm Beach Garden, FL.

2014

**John McCoy Ceramic Scholarship Award**, Department of Visual Arts & Art History, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL. (\$500)

**Esther Saylor Rothenberger Scholarship**, Department of Visual Arts & Art History, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL. (\$600)

**Friedland Project Grant**, Department of Visual Arts & Art History, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL. (\$500)

2013

**Grants to Support the Academic Development**, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL. (\$2500)

2012

**Presidential Fellowship Award**, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL. (\$5000)

**Makan Foundation Grant**, Miami, FL. (\$600)

**Women in Visual Art Scholarship**, Boca Raton, FL. (\$4500)

**Chastain-Johnston Middle East Grant**, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL. (\$2500)

**Graduate Diversity Fellowship**, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL. (\$2500)

**John McCoy Ceramic Scholarship Award**, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL. (\$500)

**Friedland Project Grant**, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL. (\$300)

2011

**Presidential Fellowship Award**, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL. (\$5000)

**Best in Show**, The 61st Ceramic League Members' Exhibition, NCECA, Tampa, FL. (\$150)

2010

**Selected Artists**, "The 1st Annual of Iranian Contemporary Art", an online competition focused on the younger generation of Iranian Artists.

**Second Prize**, Group Show, Ocean Reef Art League, Key Largo, FL.

2008

**Honorable Mention**, "Salute to Women", Homestead Art Club, Homestead, FL.

2007

**Best in Show**, "The 58th Ceramic League Members' Exhibition", Miami, FL.

2001

**Honorable Mention**, The 7th Biannual Exhibition of Iranian Potters, Tehran, Iran.

**Second Prize**, "Technical Exhibition of Students of Universities", Tehran, Iran.

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## Lectures

2015

**"Women Potters in Iran"** Peace Corps Iran Conference, University of Texas, Austin, TX.

2014

**"Women Potters in Iran: Tradition, Authenticity and Gender"** Iranian Studies Conference, Montreal, Canada.

**"Women Potters in Iran: Tradition, Authenticity and Gender"** Women Working With Clay Symposium, Hollins University, Roanoke, VA.

**"Women Ceramicists in Iranian Contemporary Art"** Women Working With Clay Symposium, Hollins University, Roanoke, VA.

**“Clay as a Record Keeper of Iranian Cultural Heritage”** NCECA: Milwaukee, WI.

2013

**“Three Women Potters in Iran: Issues of Art, Craft and Gender”**, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL.

2012

**“Gilan”**, The land of Culture and Nature” Iranian Cultural Society, Florida International University, North Miami, FL.

2010

**“Women Artists in Iran,”** International Institute for Human Understanding, Alper Jewish Community Center, Miami, FL.

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### **Presentation/Workshops**

2017

**“Artist Talk”** BFA Senior Exhibition Class, University of Texas Rio Grande Valley, Edinburg, TX.

**“Conversation Piece”** Artist Talk and Conversation with Poet Sharonda Chery, Bailey Contemporary Arts, Pompano Beach, FL.

**Workshop “Clay As Your Canvas”**, Bailey Contemporary Arts, Pompano Beach, FL.

2016

**“Artist Talk”**, Graduate Seminar, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL.

**“Artist talk”** School of Art, University of Texas Rio Grand Valley, Brownsville, TX.

2014

**“Artist Talk and Demonstration on Clay”** Women in Visual Arts, Boca Raton, FL.

2012

**“Artist Talk”** Art Salon, Armory Art Center, Palm Beach, FL.

**Workshop “Transferring Images on Clay”**, Ceramic League of Miami, Miami, FL.

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### **Commission**

2011

**“1001 Persian Tiles”**, Crocker Mansion, Mahwah, New Jersey, NY.

2010

David Bromstad Show, HGTV Channel, Miami, FL.

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### **Collection**

Abbey Chase Ceramic Collection, Miami, FL.

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### **Professional Affiliation**

Current member of College Art Association (CAA)

Current member of The National Council on Education for the Ceramic Arts (NCECA)

Member of International Society for Iranian Studies

Member of Ceramic League of Miami.

Member International Women’s Board

Member of Upper Valley Art League

## Published Writing

"Clay as a Record Keeper of Iranian Cultural Heritage" *NCECA Journal* 35, March 2014. 122-123. Member of Ceramic League of Miami.

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## Bibliography About My Work

### **Print Media**

Mary Jo Aagerstoumn, "Women's Role in Contemporary Art & Society," Catalogue of the Group Exhibition "Artistically Speaking", *Florida Atlantic University Libraries*, Spring 2016. 4, 34, 35, 36.

"Breakable" *Ceramic Based*, Catalogue of the first International Ceramics Exhibition in Iran, Tehran Beautification Organization, December 2015. 48,49.

"Feat of Clay", *LUXE Interior + Design Florida* 9, no. 2 (Spring 2011): 154-155.

Gertrude Mann, Raheleh Filsoofi Energizes Clay" *Ocean Reef Press*, November 20, 2009. 24.

Tish Johnson, "Innovative Artisans", *Home& Design, The Miami Herald*, May 2008. 27.

Deborah Lend, "Showcase of Iranian Potter" *Coral Gables Gazette*, November 4, 2003. 2.

Contemporary Iranian Pottery *A selection from the Seventh Biennial*, A Book of the Seventh Ceramics Biennial, Institute for Promotion of Visual Arts with the Cooperation of Maghsoud China Complex, April 2001. 99.

### **Online Periodical**

Samannaz Rohanimanesh, "The Cylinder Peace Project, Two Worlds, One Legacy" *Al-Mahha Art Middle Eastern Visual Art Magazine*, July 25, 2015.

<http://almahhart.com/the-cylinder-peace-project-two-worlds-one-legacy/>

"The Peace Cylinder Project + The Book of Esther", *Six Pillars Top Persia*, July 23, 2014.

<http://sixpillars.org/2014/07/23/the-peace-cylinder-project-the-book-of-esther/>

Lucy Lazarony "Embracing Culture and Clay", *Palm Beach ArtsPaper*, April 1, 2013.

<http://palmbeachartspaper.com/index.php/2029-raheleh-filsoofi-embracing-culture-and-clay.html>

### **Website Publications**

Sheryl Estrada, "17 Artists Earn Southern Exposure" *Huffpost Art& Culture*, August 6, 2014.

[http://www.huffingtonpost.com/sheryl-estrada/post\\_7884\\_b\\_5530652.html](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/sheryl-estrada/post_7884_b_5530652.html)

### **Blog**

Kathy Maves "Surprises at NCECA", *NCECA Blog*, March 2014.

<http://blog.nceca.net/surprises-at-nceca>

### **Video/Television**

David Bromstad Show, interview, HGTV Channel Public Broadcasting, July 2010.

### **Radio**

Dardodel Podcast, Artist Interview, February 2017.