



Thebe Phetogo
Born 1983, Gaborone, Botswana
Lives and works in Botswana

EDUCATION

2019 Master of Fine Arts. Michaelis School of Fine Art (UCT), South Africa
2017 Postgraduate Diploma in Fine Art. Michaelis School of Fine Art (UCT), South Africa

RESIDENCIES

2021 Visiting Artist Residency, Greatmore Studios Trust. June - August (Cape Town, South Africa)
2021 Art Connection Africa residency, The Bag Factory. February - April (Johannesburg, South Africa)
2020 Arthouse Foundation residency. January - April (Lagos, Nigeria)

Solo Presentations

2021 *blackbody Rogues' Gallery*, Von Ammon Co., Washington D.C (November)
Ko ga Lowe, Guns & Rain, Johannesburg, South Africa (March)
2020 *blackbody Composites*, kó Artspace, Lagos, Nigeria, (November)
A Confluence, Unintended, 99 Loop Gallery, Cape Town, South Africa (September)
2019 *Bogasatswana - Rebuilding the boat while sailing* (MFA exhibition), Michaelis Galleries. Cape Town. (November)

Group Exhibitions

2022 *Fantasia Goriana*, Lofoten International Art Festival, Lofoten, Norway (September-October)
2021 *Look Mama, A Negro: Black Existence as Black Resistance* curated by Motlalepula Phukubje, Latitudes Online (June)
Frieze New York, Half Gallery, New York (May)
Untitled 8.99, 99 Loop Gallery, Cape Town (May)
FRIEND ZONE curated by Vaughn Spann, Half Gallery, New York (January)
2020 *African Galleries Now*, Guns and Rain, Artsy x AAGA (Online) (November)
Finalists Exhibition, Emerging Painting Invitational (Online)(October)
The Botswana Pavilion - Collective Ties, Online (With the support of an ANT Mobility Fund from Pro Helvetia) (October)
Fresh Voices, Guns and Rain, Johannesburg, South Africa (June)



- 2019 *Cassirer Welz Award Exhibition*, Strauss and Co. Fine Art Auctioneers, Johannesburg (November)
Joburg Fringe 2019, The Art Room, Johannesburg, South Africa (November)
Summer Salon, Bag Factory Artist Studios, Johannesburg (November)
The Botswana Pavilion – Subjective Nationhood, Botswana National Museum & Art Gallery, Gaborone, Botswana (September)
The Botswana Pavilion- No Return, Gallery Momo, Cape Town, South Africa (May)
Surfaces, Kelvin Corner, Cape Town (March)
- 2018 *Eclectica Collection*, Eclectica Contemporary, Cape Town (October)
New Arrivals, Lutge Gallery, Cape Town (April)
- 2017 *Michaelis Graduate Exhibition*, Michaelis School of Fine Art, Cape Town (December)
- 2016 *Artist of the Year Exhibition*, Thapong Visual Arts Centre, Gaborone, Botswana
Barclays L'Atelier Top 100 Exhibition, ABSA Gallery, Johannesburg, South Africa
Ideas Expo Exhibition, University of Botswana, Gaborone
Members Exhibition, Thapong Visual Arts Centre, Gaborone
Barclays L'Atelier Botswana Exhibition, National Art Gallery, Gaborone
What Is Art, The Test Kitchen, Gaborone

Awards

- 2020 Emerging Painting Invitational Prize (Finalist)
2019 Cassirer Welz Award (finalist)
2016 Absa L'Atelier Top 100

Bibliography

- 2021 Thuli Gamedze, "Rainbow Scale: Thebe Phetogo in conversation with Thulile Gamedze." *Artthrob*. April 8 2021. Digital.
- 2020 Jareh Das, "Lagos Roundup." *Art Agenda*. November 20 2020. Digital.
- 2020 Sabo Kpade, "The Blackbody Against the Green Screen." *Contemporary And*. November 06 2020. Digital.
- 2019 Khanya Mashabela, "Subjective Nationhood: 'The Botswana Pavilion: No Return' at Gallery MOMO." *Artthrob*. July 05 2019. Digital.
- 2019 Gabriella Pinto, "Thebe Phetogo's figurative paintings acknowledge the unseen." *Between 10 and 5*. September 20. Digital.