

SHAWNEE TEKII



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PROFILE

Shawnee Tekii is an urban artist specialising in paintings and illustrations. Her creative journey began early, with a passion for the arts driving her decision to leave high school to pursue a Foundation Certificate at Whitecliffe College of Arts and Design. Shawnee went on to complete her Bachelor of Fine Arts degree at Whitecliffe, where she now serves as an art and design lecturer. She also shares her expertise at Te Wānanga o Aotearoa.

A highlight of Shawnee's career includes being awarded the Prime Minister's Scholarship, which allowed her to complete a two-month artist residency in Tokyo, Japan, in 2024. Shawnee lives and works in West Auckland, New Zealand, where her studio is also located.

EDUCATION

Kaiako – Te Wānanga o Aotearoa

2024 – Present

Art and Design Lecturer – Whitecliffe College, Auckland

2022 – Present

Creative Entrepreneur – Auckland

2020 – Present

Arts Administrator/Front of House – Gow Langsford Gallery, Auckland

2020

Bachelor of Fine Arts – Whitecliffe College, Parnell

2014 – 2019

EXHIBITIONS / RESIDENCIES

2024

Liminal Spaces, Solo show at AIR3331, Tokyo, Japan
AIR3331, Two Month Artist Residency in Tokyo, Japan
Art in the Park, Group show at Eden Park

2023

Matariki Exhibition, Group show at Waiheke Community Art Gallery
Freestyle, Group show at Limn Gallery
Oyster & Moon, Group show at Depot Art Space

2020

Saltwater / Interconnectivity, Group show at Tautai
Prelude : 2020, Group show at Gow Langsford Gallery

2019

The Guerilla Collection: Royal Rumble competitor, Black Grace
The Last Meninas, Group show at Pearce Gallery

2018

Electric Night, Group show at K Rd Arcade
Open Arts, Live Mural Collaboration at Corban Estate Arts Centre
End of Year Exhibition, Group Show at St Georges Bay rd Studios

2016 & 2017

End of Year Exhibition, Group Show at Balfour rd Studios

2015

Foundation Cert Exhibition, Group Show at Balfour rd Studios
Vauxhall Exhibition of Fine Art, Group Show at Vauxhall Primary

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COMMISSIONS

- 2025
 - Acrylic Painting, Martin Smith
 - Illustrated Skate Deck, Anastasia Rickard
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 - Illustrated Skate Deck, Anastasia Rickard
- 2024
 - Illustrated Skate Deck, Anastasia Rickard
- 2023
 - Acrylic & Aerosol Painting, Oyster Workshop
- 2021
 - Acrylic & Aerosol Series of x5 Paintings, The Cambridge Apartments
 - Abstract Acrylic Painting, Johnathan Skilton
 - Acrylic & Aerosol Painting, Antony Millar
- 2020
 - Acrylic & Aerosol Series of x3 Paintings, Jeanette Kreft
 - Custom Painted Sneakers, Grayson Goffe
- 2019
 - Custom Painted Sneakers, Miri Ngarimu
 - Acrylic Painting, Lania Manu
 - Custom Painted Sneakers, Paige Lillian
 - Acrylic Painting, Andrew Lemalu
- 2018
 - Acrylic & Aerosol Series of Four Paintings, Maori Television
 - Acrylic & Aerosol Painting, Antony Millar

ACHIEVEMENTS

- 2024
 - Recipient of the Prime Minister's Scholarship – Funding a two month artist residency in Tokyo, Japan
- 2023
 - Recipient of the King's Trust He Kākano Seed Funding Business Grant
- 2022
 - Selected as a Cohort Member for North Asia Pacific CAPE Creative Business Programme, Oyster Workshop
- 2019
 - Founder of The Paste up Project
- 2018
 - WWE Episodes, Featured on four Maori Tv Segments

REFEREE

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