

## **Susan Mézquita Gutiérrez**

Interdisciplinary Artist and Cultural Mediator. Born in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic. Lives and works in Biel/Bienne, Switzerland.

### **Education**

#### **2019–2020**

CAS Cultural Education – Creativity from the Beginning, Bern University of the Arts (HKB), Switzerland

#### **2011–2012**

CAS Teaching Artist – Creative Projects in Schools, Bern University of the Arts (HKB), Switzerland

#### **2006–2007**

Further Training in Printmaking (Intaglio), School of Design Bern & Biel, Switzerland

#### **2001–2004**

Master's Degree in Architecture, Art and Temporary Spaces, Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya, Barcelona, Spain

#### **1999–2000**

Master's Degree in Heritage and Cultural Preservation, Universidad Nacional Pedro Henríquez Ureña, Santo Domingo

#### **1990–1994**

Studies in Interior Architecture and Design, Universidad Iberoamericana, Santo Domingo

#### **1987–1990**

Studies in Fine Arts, Escuela Nacional de Artes Visuales, Santo Domingo

### **Awards, Grants and Residencies**

#### **2023**

Art Prize, XXX National Biennial of Visual Arts, Santo Domingo  
Farbe & Klang – Cultural project funded by the Canton of Bern and City of Bern

#### **2022–2023**

PRESSURE – Printmaking project, grant from the City of Biel, Canton of Bern and City of Bern

#### **2019–2020**

Grant for Cultural Participation in Early Childhood, Canton of Bern

#### **2014**

Special Prize, Lessedra International Mixed Media Competition, Sofia

#### **2006–2011**

Artist studio residency, City of Biel

#### **2005**

Art Prize, Casa de Teatro, Santo Domingo

#### **2001–2003**

AECI Grant for Master's studies in Barcelona

#### **1999–2000**

UNESCO Grant for Master's studies in Santo Domingo

#### **1999**

National Critics Award for Best First Solo Exhibition, AICA, Santo Domingo

### **Solo Exhibitions (Selection)**

#### **2025**

REFLEXIONES URBANAS, ASR Galería, Santo Domingo

#### **2023**

PRESSURE, Offspace Viktoria, Bern

Jardin noir, la Voirie, Biel

#### **2018**

Come and Look Through the Window, La Voirie, Biel

#### **2016**

Papierträume, Keller Galerie, Zurich

#### **2009**

Tropical Dimension, Art Corner, Biel

#### **2006**

Caribe, Alte Krone, Biel

#### **2003**

Territorios, Iris Galería de Arte, Barcelona

#### **2000**

Circundar el ser, Casa de Teatro, Santo Domingo

#### **1998**

En cuerpo y alma, Centro Cultural de España, Santo Domingo

## **Group Exhibitions (Selection)**

### **2024**

Juan José Bellapart Art Prize, Museo Bellapart, Santo Domingo  
Women Celebrate Art, Kulturhaus Visavis, Bern  
Caribbean in Residence III, Santo Domingo  
La Finalissima, Offspace Viktoria, Bern  
ELLES, Au Joli Mois de Mai Art Festival, Biel

### **2023**

Cantonale Berne Jura, Kunstmuseum Thun, Switzerland  
XXX National Biennial of Visual Arts, Museo de Arte Moderno, Santo Domingo  
Group Exhibition, Espace Étage19, Nidau  
La fête au jardin noir, La Voirie, Biel

### **2022**

Visarte Biel/Bienne at S11, Solothurn  
Photoimagen: Women in the Lens of Dominican Photography, Museum of Modern Art, Santo Domingo  
IMPRESSSION, Printmaking Exhibition, Kunsthau Grenchen  
Artists in Engelberg, Tal Museum, Engelberg, Switzerland  
Festival Au joli mois de mai, la Voirie, Biel  
Art Exhibition at Schwarzenburg Castle, Switzerland

### **2021**

Cantonale Berne Jura, Musée jurassien des Arts, Moutier  
Cantonale Berne Jura, Kunsthau Interlaken  
22nd Triennial of Printmaking, Grenchen  
Celebrating Black History, Zary Gallery, London, UK  
ELLES, Au Joli Mois de Mai, la Voirie, Biel/Bienne

### **2019**

Postcards from Utopia, Art Etage Contemporary Art Gallery, Biel  
LYSSAARBERG, Kulturmühle Lyss and Aarberg  
Mini Print International Cadaqués

### **2018**

lakelive Festival, Biel-Nidau  
Latinforum, Peripherie Arts Stufenbau, Bern  
Festival Au joli mois de mai, la Voirie, Biel/Bienne  
Espace DISPO présente Art, Nidau

### **2017**

Atelier Weekend, Biel Fine Arts Society  
Latinforum, Peripherie Arts Stufenbau, Bern  
Land Art Mythos, Boujean forest, Biel  
Festival Au Joli Mois de Mai, La Voirie, Biel

### **2016**

Lessedra International Miniprint, Sofia  
Bitola Print Triennial  
Au Joli Mois de Mai Festival, Biel  
Kunstkonsum Lokal-int, Biel  
Latinforum, Peripherie Arts Stufenbau, Bern  
Land Art Animals, Boujean forest, Biel

### **2015**

Open Doors, Group of artists from Atelier NM64, Biel  
Festival Au joli mois de mai, la Voirie, Biel  
5th Lessedra Painting & Mixed Media Competition, Sofia, Bulgaria  
Art Consumption Lokal-int, Biel

### **2014**

23 Art Fair at the Women's Museum, Bonn, Germany  
4th Lessedra Painting & Mixed Media Competition, Sofia, Bulgaria  
Art Consumption Lokal-int, Biel  
Salon des Refusés, Art Etage Galería de Arte Contemporáneo, Biel

### **2013**

Novemberblues, Au Salon, Bern  
Art Consumption Lokal-int, Biel  
13th World Art Mini Print, Sofia, Bulgaria

### **2012**

Au joli mois de mai Alte Krone, Biel  
7th International Graphic Triennial Bitola, Macedonia  
25th Printmaking Biennale, Sint-Niklaas Belgium  
Art Consumption Lokal-int Offkunstraum, Biel

### **2011**

Au joli mois de mai, Alte Krone, Biel  
10th Lessedra World Art Print Annual, Sofia, Bulgaria  
Artcorner 2500, Biel  
26th National Biennial of Visual Arts, Museum of Modern Art, Santo Domingo

### **2010**

9th Lessedra World Art Print Annual, Sofia, Bulgaria  
Mini Print International of Cadaques, Spain  
Au joli mois de mai, Alte Krone, Biel

### **2009**

Vórtice X, Castellón Municipal Cultural Centre, Valencia, Spain  
Au joli mois de mai, Alte Krone, Biel

### **2008**

Reçu, Werkschau Alte Krone, Biel/Bienne  
Christmas Exhibition, Tal Museum, Engelberg, Switzerland

**2007**

24th National Biennial of Visual Arts, Museum of Modern Art, Santo Domingo  
1st Biennial of Contemporary Art, Candido Bidó Museum, Bonao, Dom. Rep.  
International exhibition, Casa de Teatro, Santo Domingo

**2005**

23th National Biennial of Visual Arts, Museum of Modern Art, Santo Domingo  
International Exhibition, Casa de Teatro, Santo Domingo

**2004**

BAC Barcelona Contemporary Art, Barcelona, Spain  
20th Eduardo León Jimenes Art Competition, Centro León Santiago, Dom. Rep.

**2003**

BAC Barcelona Contemporary Art, Barcelona, Spain  
I Premi Nostromo de Pintura i Escultura Ombres del Mar, Barcelona, España

**2002**

International Miniprint Triennial '02, Tama Art Museum, Tokyo, Japan

**2000**

Bitola International Print Triennial, Rep. of Macedonia  
21st National Biennial of Visual Arts, Museum of Modern Art, Santo Domingo  
Water, the Colour of Life, Helvetas Swiss Foundation, Casa de Teatro, Santo Domingo and Geneva  
3th International Woodprint Triennial 98, The State Gallery Banská Bystrica, Slovakia

**Professional experience / Projects / Teaching ARTist****2022–2026**

Biel/Bienne Festival of Photography – mediation and guided tours

**2023–2024**

Color & Sound, cultural project, Kinderhaus Stern im Ried, Biel

**2020–2022**

Color & Sound, cultural project, Stiftung für Frauen und Kinder, Biel

**2012–2023**

Teaching Artist – art projects in schools, Canton of Bern

**2018**

Global Dominican Politics, Economics and Cultural Production, University of London, United Kingdom

**2017**

The Arts in Education: On Aesthetic Judgments and Their Frameworks, Zurich University of the Arts

**2016**

6. Networking event for educators and cultural professionals, Dampfzentrale Bern

**2015**

Contemporary Caribbean Visual Culture: Envisioning the Futures of Emancipation and the Emancipation of Futures – professional conference, Universidad del Atlántico, Barranquilla, Colombia

**2014**

Contemporary Caribbean Visual Culture: Artistic Vision of Global Citizenship – professional conference, University of Birmingham, United Kingdom  
5. Netzwerktreffen für Lehrpersonen und Kulturschaffende im Kanton Bern, NMB Biel

**2012**

2. Network Meeting for School Cultural Coordinators in the Canton of Bern  
MUS-E Symposium: Quality in Art Education, Zentrum Paul Klee, Bern

**2011**

3rd Symposium: The Arts in Education, Zurich University of the Arts, Zurich

**2008**

Architectural Drawing Internship, Robert Schmid Architects, Biel

**2006**

Volunteer Work – Collections, Exhibitions, and Research, Zentrum Paul Klee, Bern

**2003**

4th Latin American Conference on Architecture and Urban Planning, Catalan Institute for Ibero-American Cooperation (ICCI), Barcelona

**2002**

15th Puppet and Shadow Theater Festival – Design & Installation, Institut del Teatre, Barcelona

Zeppelin 02 permanent Flux: Sound Art Festival – Design & Installation, Centro de Cultura Contemporánea de Barcelona (CCCB)

**2001**

Architectural Drawing – Iberostar Hotels Project Office, Bayahibe, Dominican Republic

**1998–2000**

Lecturer in Drawing and Design, Universidad Iberoamericana & Universidad Nacional Pedro Henríquez Ureña, Santo Domingo