

BENJAMIN WORK | CV

SOLO AND COLLABORATIVE EXHIBITIONS

- 2023 *Bodies of Water, Made of Land* (with Harrison Freeth), Te Tuhi, Auckland, New Zealand
Bodies of Water (With Harrison Freeth), Canterbury Museum, Christchurch, New Zealand
Tautahi – In the Face of Adversity, Bergman Gallery, Rarotonga, Cook Islands
- 2022 *To'a Motu*, Bergman Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand
MOTUTAPU (with Brendan Kitto), Te Uru Waitākere Contemporary Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand
- 2021 *Hake Project*, Canterbury Museum, Christchurch, New Zealand
- 2019 *Motutapu (Sacred Island)*, Auckland Art Fair, Bergman Gallery, The Cloud, Auckland, New Zealand
- 2018 *Write it on the land, seal it on the heart*, Te Tuhi, Auckland, New Zealand
- 2017 *Whenua Fonua 'Enua* (with Brendan Kitto), Malcolm Smith Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand
Return to Havaiki (with Andy Leleisi'uao), Bergman Gallery, Rarotonga, Cook Islands
- 2016 *The Glorious Children of Te Tumu*, Corbans Art Estate, Auckland, New Zealand
For King and Country, Bergman Gallery, Cook Islands
The Glorious Children of Te Tumu - Salisbury International Arts Fest, England, United Kingdom
- 2015 *Ma'ae Tu'i o e Fonua*, Māngere Arts Centre, Auckland, New Zealand
Toutoutā, Olivia Laita Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand
- 2014 *I see red, I see red, I see red*, Fresh Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2025 *Night of Pacific Art*, Bergman Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand
Animal Vegetable Mineral, Gow Langsford Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand
- 2024 *Fa'aaliga – Beneath the Surface*, Bergman Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand
Autumn Selection, Bergman Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand
Aotearoa Art Fair 2024, Bergman Gallery, Viaduct Events Centre, Auckland, New Zealand
- 2023 *Horizon*, Bergman Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand
Tukufakaholo – Tongan Contemporary, Bergman Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand
'Inasi - First Fruits, Māngere Arts Centre, Auckland, New Zealand
Aotearoa Art Fair 2023, Bergman Gallery, The Cloud, Auckland, New Zealand
Autumn Group Show, Bergman Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand
Winter Group Show, Bergman Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand
- 2022 *Te Atuitanga - Beneath our Cloak of Stars*, Bergman Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand
Aotearoa Art Fair 2022, Bergman Gallery, The Cloud, Auckland, New Zealand
- 2021 *The Most Dedicated*, The Dowse Art Museum, Wellington, New Zealand
Life After Death, Franklin Gallery, Auckland
- 2020 *TATOU 2*, Bergman Gallery, Rarotonga, Cook Islands
Tempest, Bergman Gallery, Rarotonga, Cook Islands
- 2019 *Art in the Dark II*, Me'a'ofa Gallery, Nuku'alofa, Tonga
Auckland Art Fair 2019, Bergman Gallery, The Cloud, Auckland, New Zealand

- 2018 *MPA1*, Bergman Gallery, Rarotonga, Cook Islands
 2017 *Post Graffiti Pacific*, TSB Wallace Arts Trust, Auckland
 2016 *METfriday*, The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, United States of America
 2015 *PGP*, AMbush Gallery, Sydney, Australia
 2014 *Tauhi Vā*, Fresh Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand
 2013 *If These Walls Could Talk*, TSB Bank Wallace Arts Centre, Auckland, New Zealand
Serigraph show, Olivia Laita Gallery, Auckland
Graffiato, The Storehouse, Taupo
 2012 *No'o Fakataha*, Māngere Arts Centre, Auckland, New Zealand
What would Jim Do, Fresh Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand
 2011 *Primary Flight*, Art Basel, Miami, United States of America

AWARDS AND PRIZES

- 2024 Fatu Feu'u Pacific Arts Prize, Postgraduate Prize, University of Auckland
 2023 Finalist, National Contemporary Art Awards
 2022 Runner up, Estuary Art and Ecology Award
 2021 Finalist, Molly Morpeth Canaday Award

RESIDENCIES

- 2025 Matafatafa Aho Pacific Artist in Residence, Auckland Museum, New Zealand
 2024 McCahon House Artist Residency - Parehuia, New Zealand
 2019 CMBB Para Site International Art Residency (PS IAR), Hong Kong

SELECTED ARTICLES

- 2021 *Benjamin Work Talks About His Giant Mural, Motutapu II*, Dr Reuben Woods, Canterbury Museum
 2016 *Benjamin to bring Tongan war clubs to Big Apple*, Justin Latif, Stuff
 2014 *City walls have stories to tell*, Lydia Jenkin, New Zealand Herald

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- 2024 *Artist in Residence: Benjamin Work*, Art News Aotearoa
 2022 *MOTUTAPU*, Published by RIM Books, ISBN 978-1-99-116520-6
 2018 *Benjamin Work 'Whenua Fonua 'Enua'*, Ioana Gordon-Smith, Art New Zealand
 2017 *Whenua Fonua 'Enua'*, Published by RIM Books, ISBN 978-0-473-41566-2
 2017 *Threshold between creation and reality*, Artnews
 2015 *Post-graffiti Pacific*, Olivia Laita, The Vernacularist
 2013 *Benjamin explores kula*, Benjamin Work, The Vernacularist

COLLECTIONS

New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs & Trade
 Auckland War Memorial Museum
 University of Auckland
 Manukau Institute of Technology
 Canterbury Museum

New Zealand High Commission, Tonga
 The Arts House Trust
 Metropolitan Museum of Art, USA
 Pasifika Medical Association
 Welt Museum, Austria