

Valeria DUCA

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Education

2014-2018

University of St Andrews, Master of Arts with Honours in Art History, Scotland, UK

- In-depth study: Romanticism, 17th century Dutch painting, 19th century European art
- Other areas of study: Italian language, moral philosophy, British history, aesthetics, late modern history

2012-2014

Truro School, Cornwall, UK

- A levels: Religious Studies (A), Russian (A*), French (A), Art (A*) and History (B)
- Full scholarship provided by HMC (a professional association of the heads of leading independent schools)

Personal Exhibitions (selective)

- 2022 - "Refugees Sleeping," charity auction, **Panter & Hall Gallery**, London
- 2021 - Solo show, **Gallery Ramfjord**, Oslo, Norway
- 2020 - "It's the End of the World," Solo Show, **Panter & Hall Gallery**, London, UK
- 2019 - Solo show, **Gallery Ramfjord**, Oslo, Norway
- 2017 - "Life in the Meantime", **Tehran**, Iran
- "Between the West and the East", **Goodwood House**, UK
- 2015 - Personal exhibition, **Organ Hall**, Chisinau, Moldova
- 2012 - "Color, Light, Ballet", **Museum of Western and Eastern Art**, Odessa, Ukraine
- "Intermission", **Museum of Fine Arts**, Galati, Romania
- 2011 - "The world around me", **Venice Biennale, Moldavian National Pavilion**, Venice, Italy
- 2010 - "The Galaxy of the Colors", **Folk Costume Museum**, Palace of Parliament, Bucharest, Romania
- 2009 - "The Truth from Children's Mouth", **National Museum of Archaeology and History**, Chisinau, Moldova
- Personal Exhibition at the International BookFest, 18th Edition – **National Library of RM**,
- "Abstract and not only...", **Romanian Embassy in RM**, Chisinau, Moldova
- Personal Exhibition, **Amarillo Art & Spazio Cavour**, Reggio Emilia, Italy
- 2008 - International Children's Day Exhibition, **Exhibition Centre "Constantin Brancusi"**, Chisinau, Moldova

Work Experience

- 2014-18 **Fraser Gallery**, St Andrews, UK
Gallery Assistant, part-time job
Assisted in organising exhibitions, PR management and selling paintings
- 2017 **Laidlaw Internship Award**, University of St Andrews
Research Intern, Paid
- My project aimed to authenticate a miscatalogued 17th century work of art, proving that the author was Jan Brueghel the Elder's Studio
- Artist in Residence**, Whitgift Independent School for Boys, London, UK
- Completed five commissioned paintings
- Held masterclasses in anatomy drawing and portrait painting

- 2016 **Christie's Auction House**, London, UK
Intern, Department of Russian Art
- Assisted in setting up the auctioned lots
 - Researched and organised the provenance of selected paintings
 - Assisted in creating statistics of the Russian Week Sales
- 2015 **Ministry of Culture**, Moldova
Intern in the Department of Cultural Heritage
- Assisted in researching the provenance of the works of art from the national collections, organization of cultural events, translation of documents and promotional work

Other Achievements

- 2020 **RBA Annual Show (Royal Society of British Artists)**
The work "Alice in Wonderland" selected for the Royal Society of British Artists' Annual Show
- 2018 **ROI Annual Show (Royal Institute of Oil Painters)**
The work "Self-portrait in the studio" selected for the Royal Institute of Oil Painters' Annual Show
- 2014 **NADFAS / RBA Scholar**
The work "Dancer" selected for the annual exhibition organized by NADFAS (National Association of Decorative & Fine Arts Societies) and RBA (Royal Society of British Artists), Pall Mall Gallery, London
- 2012 **The Ministry of Youth and Sport Award (Moldova)**
National award for distinguished activity, "Art and Literature" category
- 2010 **The Ministry of Youth and Sport Mention (Moldova)**
Special mention for distinguished activity, "Art and Literature" category
Award for the catalogue "The world around me", International Book Fair, Moldova
- 2009 **Award for the catalogue "Valeria Duca. Painting. Graphics", Moldova**
Nominated at The Contest of Improvised Painting, Chisinau, Moldova
- 2008 **Second Place**, The Municipal Painting Contest for School Students, Chisinau, Moldova
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Works in Public Collections

- National Museum of Archaeology and History of Moldova, Chisinau, Moldova
- Folk Museum, Palace of Parliament, Bucharest, Romania
- The Museum of the Village, Bucharest, Romania;
- Regina Pacis Foundation, Italy
- Romanian Embassy, Chisinau, Moldova

Works in Private Collections

- Lithuania, Republic of Moldova, Romania, United States of America, Italy, Germany, Saudi Arabia, Canada, Russian, Great Britain, Sweden, Norway, Iran, Austria