

## LIZ MELCHOR

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## EDUCATION

- 2016 M.F.A., Master of Fine Arts from Bennington College in Bennington, Vermont, USA
- 2015 Three years of figure drawing study at 23rd Street Studio in San Francisco, CA, USA.
- 2011 M.S., Master of Science in Psychology, Palo Alto University in Palo Alto, California, USA
- 2004 B.A., Bachelor of Arts in English Literature, Columbia University in New York, New York, USA

## EXHIBITIONS

- 2025 Pay Attention!, VCAS, Vienna, Austria [group]
- 2025 Auf der Oberfläche, Kunstwerkstatt Tulln, KWT Galerie, Tulln, Austria [group]
- 2025 Glitches, Blips and Bugs, VCAS, Vienna, Austria [group]
- 2025 Artificial Territories, Daslot, Vienna, Austria [group]
- 2024 Guest Artist at TedAI Conference, Volkstheater, Vienna, Austria [installation]
- 2024 *Diverse Printmaking*, Graf Galerie, Vienna, Austria [group]
- 2024 The Print Fest,, Akademie Der Bildenden Künste Wien. Vienna, Austria.
- 2024 Music For Your Inbox, Los Angeles, California
- 2023 RECODE Online Exhibition, Faculdade de Belas Artes da Universidade do Porto, Porto, Portugal [group]
- 2022 *Robot Drawing Summer*, Curious Monkey, Lisbon, Portugal [solo]

## RESIDENCIES

- 2025 Summer Training for Artists at Platform München in Munich, Germany
- 2023 Quinta das Relvas, Lisbon Drawing Club, Branca, Portugal

## PRESS/BIBLIOGRAPHY

- 2024 "The Fear of Making Bad Art (or whatever)," podcast interview with Dave Bauer for *Making Problems to Solve*. August 4, 2024.
- 2024 Venkata, Nandini. "[From Palette to Pixels: Exploring the Intersection of Tech and Arts with Liz Melchor.](#)" TedXVienna Magazine, June 22, 2024.
- 2023 Bendandi, Luca and Paslier, Pierre, ed. *Tracing the Line: The Art of Drawing Machines and Pen Plotters*. Vetro Editions, Berlin, Germany.
- Woll, Lynn. "[Spotlight: Liz Melchor, Pen Plotter and Artist.](#)" Create Whimsy, July 2023.

## INVITED LECTURES/PRESENTATIONS/TEACHING

- 2025 (Upcoming) *Blossom: Robot Garden for a Monkey Mind*. Invited talk for Creative Mornings, Impact Hub, Lisbon, Portugal. Sept 26.
- 2025 *Experimenting Beyond the Digital*. Guest lecture and studio visit for students of Universität für angewandte Kunst Wien. Vienna, Austria. May 2.
- 2024 *Digitale Transformation und die Rolle der Frau - eine Zukunftsreise*, Workshop as part of Mariahilfer Frauenwochen, Vienna, Austria, October 21.
- Creative Coding in der Druckwerkstatt*. Druckwerk Wien, Vienna, Austria, September 21-20.
- Monkeys, Robots, and Me*. PechaKucha Night Vienna, Vienna, Austria, June 7.
- Me, The Robot, and Our Interaction: The Agency of the Artist When Technology is the Tool*. Akademie Der Bildenden Künste Wien. Vienna, Austria, May 9.
- Experimenting Beyond the Digital*. Guest lecture and studio visit for students of Universität für angewandte Kunst Wien. Vienna, Austria. May 2.

- 2023     *Drawing Monkeys Masterclass: A Serious Workshop on Being Playful*, Lisbon Drawing Club, Lisbon, Portugal, November 30.  
            *Pen Plotting: How to Use a Drawing Robot to Make Art*. MakerFaire Brno. Brno, Czech, October 21.  
            *Pen Plotting: How to Use a Drawing Robot to Make Art*. MakerFaire Vienna. Vienna, Austria, June 3.  
            *Experimenting Beyond the Digital*. Guest lecture and studio visit for students of Universität für angewandte Kunst Wien. Vienna, Austria. May 25.  
            *Flow Lines: One File, Many Ways*. Faculdade de Belas Artes da Universidade do Porto, Porto, Portugal. February 14.
- 2022     *Creative Coding for Pen Plotting from an Artist's Perspective*. Universidade de Coimbra. Coimbra, Portugal. December 7.  
            *Working at Being Playful*. Creative Mornings. Lisbon, Portugal. January 28.

#### OTHER CULTURAL PROJECTS

- 2024 - current     Podcast creator and host, *What Lingers*
- 2018 - current     Founder and Co-Head of *Storytelling Lisboa*, monthly storytelling event (200+ attendees) in Lisbon, Portugal. Teach workshop twice a year to approximately 40 attendees called *Crafting a Story for the Stage*
- 2020 - 2022        Founded and ran Curious Monkey, a cultural association dedicated to playful and communal engagement in the arts in Lisbon, Portugal.

#### MEMBERSHIPS/ASSOCIATIONS

Ig Bildende Kunst

The She Machine, art collective, founding member