

PI ARTWORKS

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1946, Lives and works in Istanbul, Turkey

Education

- 1995 PhD, History of Art, Mimar Sinan University, Istanbul, Turkey
- 1982 MA, Educational Psychology, Boğaziçi University, Istanbul, Turkey
- 1968 BA, Fine Arts and History of Art, Mary Washington College, Virginia, USA

Solo Exhibitions

- 2026 Sweet Separation (with Dilek Aydın), Pi Artworks Istanbul, Turkey
- 2025 Save Me / Beni Yok Etme, İmalathane, Bursa, Turkey
- 2024 Artfuldining, EMA Kolektif, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2023 State of Acceptance, (with Kalliopi Lemos), Gazelli Art House, Baku, Azerbaijan
Unlock, Beymen Zorlu Center, İstanbul, Turkey
- 2022 Scent of Time, Pi Artworks Istanbul, Turkey
- 2020 Remembering the Future, London Collective on Vortic Collect.
It still is as it always was (with Kalliopi Lemos), Pi Artworks London, U.K
Translation in Motion (with Maria Andersson) Riksidrottmuseet, Stockholm, Sweden
- 2019 Forward, March! (with Maria Andersson), Salt Beyoğlu, Istanbul, Turkey
Marking a Shift (with Maria Andersson) Galleri Box, Gothenburg, Sweden
- 2018 Under the Radar: 5533, (with Volkan Aslan), ISCP, New York, USA
- 2017 Making a Shift, (with Maria Andersson), Nordic Art Association, NFK, Stockholm, Sweden
A Community of Lines, Pi Artworks Istanbul, Turkey
- 2016 Sporting Chances, Pi Artworks London, UK
- 2014 Incomprehensible World, Istanbul Culture and Art Foundation (IKSV) Hamlet Theatre Festival, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2013 Mirror Mirror on the Wall, Pi Artworks Istanbul, Turkey
- 2011 How Do We Know We Are Not Impostors?, Pi Artworks Istanbul, Turkey
From Here 1970-2011, Pi Artworks Istanbul, Turkey
- 2009 Holding On, Apartment Project, Istanbul, Turkey
I Believe / I Don't Believe, Pi Artworks Istanbul, Turkey
Obsession, Manzara Perspectives, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2007 And, Proje 4L Elgiz Contemporary Art Museum, Artvarium, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2003 People Objects, Istanbul-Rotterdam Cultural Exchange, Rotterdam, The Netherlands

- 2002 Lives within Lifetimes, International Longevity Center, New York, NY, USA
2000 And, Mary Ogilvie Gallery, St. Anne's College, Oxford University, Oxford, UK
1990 Environmental, MD Gallery, Istanbul, Turkey

Group Exhibitions

- 2026 Aynı Mavinin Altında (Under the Same Blue), Istanbul Modern, Istanbul, Turkey
2025 Thanks for Coming (with Volkan Aslan), 5533, Istanbul, Turkey
Compassion / Merhamet, Lefkoşa Biennial, Nicosia, Cyprus
Rebirth, Cappel, London, UK
Staged, Arkas Museum, İzmir, Turkey
ARADA / IN BETWEEN, Depo, Istanbul, Turkey
Dört Ayaklı Sergisi (Four Legged Exhibition), 5533, Istanbul, Turkey
2024 Vasiyetimdir (My Will), Mine Sanat, İstanbul, Turkey
Kadının Adı Var, G-Art Gallery, Istanbul, Turkey
Utopia Workshop, Baksı Museum, Bayburt, Turkey
2023 Everything will be the same — Just a little different, Künstlerhaus Palais Thurn & Taxis, Bregenz, Austria
Maziye Dokumak (Weaving the Past), Utopia Workshop, Baksı Museum, Bayburt, Turkey
Collective Healing, Metro Han Museum, Istanbul, Turkey
Slowness and Time, Izmir Textile Biennial, Izmir, Turkey
2022 Fine del Confine, Adventure Park Ceroglie, Trieste, Italy
The Event of a Thread, MOMus Experimental Center for the Arts, Thessaloniki, Greece
Mitler ve Hayallar, Elgiz Museum, Istanbul, Turkey
Cultural Threads, Zarastro online exhibition, curated by Haydarcan Taygun
Normaleş(me), Karşı Sanat Çalışmaları, İstanbul, Turkey
Mitler ve Hayallar, Arkas Art Center, Izmir, Turkey
Lorem Ipsum, Odeabank Akaretler Sıraevler No. 11, Istanbul, Turkey
2021 Don't Look Back, Deep is the Past, OMM, Eskisehir, Turkey
Terra Incognita cur. Ayca Okay, Cacaoon, Istanbul, Turkey
Dönüşüm/Transformation, Taksim Maksim, Istanbul Turkey
Müdahale/Intervention, The Artisan, İstanbul, Turkey
Geleceği Yemek/Eating the Future, Bat Art Lab, Diyarbakır, Turkey
Music to my eyes, BodrumBodrum Art Gallery, Tikicik Koyu, Yalıkavak, Turkey
Adi Sen Koy, Mine Sanat, Istanbul, Turkey
Adı Sen Koy, Senkron, Be.Contemporary, Urla, Turkey
Borderless: Digital Practices in Changing Times, Noyes Museum, Pennsylvania
Ubiquity/ Aynı Anda Her Yerde, Akbank Art Center, Istanbul, Turkey

- 2020 Horses Fluent in the Wind or Flying from the Nest, Halka Art Project, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2019 Weave Braid Attach, Textile Pioneers and Contemporary Expressions, Vasteras Konstmuseum, Vasteras, Sweden
Marking a Shift, with Maria Andersson, Galleri Box, Göteborg, Sweden
Bağlantılar/Connections, Plankton Group, Gündoğdu Gallery, Adana, Turkey
Arcadia Mundi, Macroasilo, Rome, Italy
Shores, Open Club, Moscow, Russia
Kek sever misiniz?, K.E.K, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2018 Before the Past – After the Future, 6th Çanakkale Biennial, Çanakkale, Turkey
Birlik II, Antonina Art Gallery, İstanbul, Turkey
At the Borderline of Vitality, Corridor Project Space, Amsterdam, Netherlands
At the borderline of Vitality, Videoist, Hacetepe University Fine Arts Faculty, Adnan Turani Conference Center, Ankara, Turkey
Printed '18, Mixer, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2017 At the borderline of Vitality, Videoist, Corridor Project Space, Amsterdam, Netherlands
transID, Surp Yerrortutyun Church, Exhibist/Space Debris exhibition, Istanbul, Turkey
AFSAD Symposium Exhibition, Cankaya Municipal Contemporary Art Center, Ankara, Turkey
At the Borderline of Vitality, Credo Bonum Gallery, Videoist, Sofia, Bulgaria
Our Stories, Video art and films from Switzerland, Palestine, Iran, Kazakhstan and Turkey, White Frame, Stadtkino Basel, Treibsand compiler screenings, Basel, Switzerland
Even My Mum Can Make A Book, Corridor Project Space, Amsterdam, Netherlands
Unfold, Arte, Ankara, Turkey
Whose Art History?, Uniq Gallery, Istanbul, Turkey
Return to the Subject, Inonu University, Malata, Turkey
You and I, 5533 Artist Initiative Space, Istanbul, Turkey
A Room of Our Own, Ark Kültür Gallery, Istanbul, Turkey
Letter from Istanbul, Pi Artworks London, UK
Treibsand Online Exhibition Space, Volume #2, Spring – Fall edition, Zurich, Switzerland
- 2016 Stay with Me, WOW, Hamburg, Germany
Sharing IV, CKM Art Gallery, Okan University, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2015 Small Faces, Large Sizes, Elgiz Museum of Contemporary Art, Istanbul, Turkey
ODTU Sanat 16, Second Nature, Middle-Eastern Technical University, Ankara, Turkey
Stay with Me, Depo, Istanbul, Turkey

- Stay with Me, Wesenburg Museum of Modern Art, University Bremen, Bremen, Germany
- 2014 Stay with Me, Apartment Project, Berlin, Germany
 40 Videos From 40 Years of Video Art in Turkey, 25th Ankara International Film Festival, Goethe Institute, Ankara, Turkey
 The Feeling of Happiness, Homa Art Gallery Tehran, Iran
 Moving Image, Art International, Istanbul, Turkey
 ODTU Sanat 15, Middle Eastern Technical University, Ankara, Turkey
- 2013 Video Screening, Berlinerpool, Apartment Project, Berlin, Germany
 Between Two Voids, Video Screening Berlinerpool in cooperation with Apartment Project, Berlin, Germany
 Retaining People, Circulating Objects, 5533 Off Space, Istanbul, Turkey
 A Protest Against Forgetting, Gallery Art Claims Impulse, Berlin, Germany
 Me, Myself and I, Me as a Dilemma, CerModern, Ankara, Turkey
 Video Art Made in Istanbul, Art Market Budapest, Hungary
- 2012 On Landscape, Mine Art Gallery, Istanbul, Turkey
 Places of Memory - Fields of Vision, Invisible Cities Festival, Thessaloniki, Greece
 Art of Migration, Cezayir Gallery, Istanbul, Turkey
 Keeping on Keeping on, Trieb sand Exhibition on DVD, Launch at Salt Galata, Istanbul, Turkey
 Who Left? What Behind, Ankara Contemporary Art Center, Ankara, Turkey
 Trading Stations, Curve Gallery, Parallel to Liverpool Biennial, Liverpool, UK
 Familiar, SPAS Gallery, Institute of Technology, Rochester, NY, USA
 In Several Aspects, Halka Art Project, Istanbul, Turkey
 About Woman, Mine Art Gallery, Istanbul, Turkey
 Pi @ Q, Q Contemporary, Beirut, Lebanon
- 2011 Ultramemoir #4, L'Institut Français d'Istanbul Et La Galerie Nivet - Carzon, Istanbul, Turkey
 Machine Raum, Vejle Art Museum, Vejle, Denmark
 The Shadows of the Public, Videoist, Brunswiker Pavillion, Kiel, Germany
 Dream and Reality - Modern and Contemporary Women Artists from Turkey, Istanbul Modern Museum, Istanbul, Turkey
 Art Beat Istanbul, Pi Artworks, Istanbul, Turkey
 8 Artists - 8 Contemporary, Mine Art Gallery, Istanbul, Turkey
 Trade Routes, Pi Artworks Istanbul, Turkey
 Where Fire Has Struck, Human Rights Foundation 20th Exhibition, DEPO, Istanbul, Turkey
 Once Upon a Time ... Place, Diyarbakir, Turkey
 Floating Volumes III, Kunst Nah Gallery, Hamburg, Germany

- Random Access Memory, Micamoca Project, Berlin, Germany
- Public Ideas, Brunswiker Pavillon, Kiel, Germany
- 2010 Floating Volumes II, 5533 Off Space, Istanbul, Turkey
- Floating Volumes I, Frise, Hamburg, Germany
- Ids Please!, CerModern, Ankara, Turkey
- Out of Context, Pi Artworks Istanbul, Turkey
- Public Ideas, 5533 Off Space, Istanbul, Turkey
- Invisible Play, Independent Space in Tophane, Istanbul, Turkey
- Invasion Exhibition, Architect's Center, Istanbul, Turkey
- Videoist 10, International Festival of Media Art, Goethe Institute, Ankara, Turkey
- The Shadows of the Public, Videoist Video Screening, DEPO, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2009 Public Ideas, ECOC 2010 / Muthesius Academy of Fine Arts And Design, Istanbul, Turkey And Kiel, Germany
- Under My Feet I Want the World, Istanbul Next Wave, Akademie der Kunste, Berlin, Germany
- Projected Visions 35 Years of Turkish Art, Apollonia, Strasbourg, France
- Temporary Harassment, Istanbul 2010 Portable Art Project, Kartal Bulent Ecevit Culture Center, Istanbul, Turkey
- Antique and Avant-Gard, International Contemporary Art Festival, National Preserve of Tauric Chersonesos, Criema, Sevastopol, Ukraine
- Once Upon a Time, 5533 Off Space, Istanbul, Turkey
- Once Upon a Time, Istanbul Off-Spaces, Kunstraum Kreuzbert/Bethanien, Berlin, Germany
- Forschungsstationen, Kunstverein Langenhagen, Langenhagen, Germany
- 35 Years of Video Art, Ankara Film Festival, Ankara, Turkey and Bethanien, Germany
- 2008 Especially Small Things, Cankaya Municipality Contemporary Art Center, Ankara, Turkey
- Videoist 2010, Istanbul 2010 Portable Art Project, Istanbul, Turkey
- Multiple Connections, Pogmahon Gallery, Vienna, Austria
- Memory City, Istanbul 2010 Portable Art Project, Istanbul, Turkey
- Multiple Connections, Kent Gallery, Istanbul, Turkey
- Dirty Movies, Part of 54th International Short Film Festival Oberhausen, Oberhausen, Germany
- I Believe/I Don't Believe, Galata Perform, Istanbul, Turkey
- Centennial Alumni Exhibition, Ridderhof Martin Gallery, Mary Washington College, Fredericksburg, VA, USA
- 2007 Everything's Going to Be Alright, Apartment Project, Istanbul, Turkey
- Interdisciplinary Art Workshop and Exhibition, Nicosia, Cyprus
- Bad Luck Show, Marlan Gallery, Lexington, KY, USA

- Big Family Business, 10th Istanbul Biennial, Istanbul (parallel event), IMC Shopping Center, Turkey
- Border Line, 44th International Troy Festival, Canakkale, Turkey
- From the Owner with a View, Independent Art Space, Istanbul, Turkey
- Imagining the Book I, Bibliotheca Alexandrina, Alexandria, Egypt
- 2006 LA Freewaves, 10th New Media Art Festival, The Hammer Museum, CA, USA
- All About Lies, Apartment Project, Istanbul, Turkey
- Coding: Decoding: Exhibition, The Museum of Contemporary Art, Copenhagen, Denmark
- Golyazi Project, Outdoor Site-Specific Workshop, Golyazi, Bursa, Turkey
- Thinking Garbage, Video Festival: Incheon Contemporary Art Museum, Korea; International Multimedia Art Festival, Odzaci, Serbia and Montenegro; River's Edge Film Festival, Kentucky, USA; Video in The Built Environment, University Film and Video Association Conference, CA, USA; V1B3 Summer Curatorial Project, London Study Center, London, UK
- Babel, Babble, Rabble, Other Gallery, Telus Studio, Banff Art Centre, Alberta, Canada
- 2005 Cosmopolis I: 1st Balkan Biennial, Thessaloniki Contemporary Art Museum, Thessaloniki, Greece
- Secret Memories, Select Media IV Festival, Chicago, IL, USA
- Life and Blind Destiny, Karsi Art Works, Istanbul, Turkey
- Secret Time, Ankara City Contemporary Art and Culture Center, Ankara, Turkey
- Thinking Garbage, (Project with Ipek Duben), 9th Istanbul International Biennial (Beyond: Simultaneous Project), Turkey
- Rio De Janeiro Electronic Media Festival, Rio De Janeiro, Brazil
- Obsession, Gallery X, Istanbul, Turkey
- Honoring The Book, First International Biennial for The Artist's Book, The Borowsky Gallery, PA, USA
- Identityscapes, Cologne On-Line Film Festival, Cologne, Germany
- Free/Neutral Zone, Roxy Gallery, Istanbul, Turkey
- ABA, Mersin University, Mersin, Turkey
- Artist ... Work, Istanbul Modern Art Gallery, Istanbul, Turkey
- Tele-Kent, Siemens Nomad Collection, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2004 The Shaman Diary, Proje 4L, Elgiz Contemporary Art Museum, Istanbul, Turkey
- Change/Tradition, Ifsak 20th Istanbul Photography Days, Istanbul, Turkey
- First International Artist Book Biennial, Bibliotheca Alexandrina Art Center, Alexandria, Egypt
- D-Art 2004, Virtual Digital Art Gallery, London, UK and Penang, Malaysia
- Turkish Delight, Rio Modern Art Museum, Rio De Janeiro, Brazil
- European Cultural Days: A Bridge from West to East, BBK, Karlsruhe, Germany
- 2003 8th Havana Biennale, Havana, Cuba

- International Tunnel Art Festival, Italian Cultural Center, Istanbul, Turkey
 Art at Akmerkez, Akmerkez Shopping Center, Istanbul, Turkey
 Good+Bad+Ugly, 3rd Performance Days, Istanbul Bilgi University, Istanbul, Turkey
 7th International Video Festival Video Medeja, Novi Sad, Serbia
 Families Only, Karsi Art Works, Istanbul, Turkey
 Storm, pixel motion art, underpass pier 7 and 8 of the Esplanade Bridge, Singapore
 2002 IV International Digital Art Exhibiton, Pablo De La Torriente Brau Cultural Center, Havana, Cuba
 6th International Video Festival Video Medeja, Novi Sad, Yugoslavia
 Artist Respond to War, Athens Institute for Contemporary Art, Athens, GA, USA
 Look Again, Proje 4L, Elgiz Contemporary Art Museum, Istanbul, Turkey
 2001 Re-Duchamp, Traveling Exhibition, 7th Istanbul Biennial, Istanbul, Turkey
 Voices from The Homeland, Karşı Art Works, Istanbul, Turkey
 2000 Young Art III, Ankara Contemporary Art Center, Ankara, Turkey
 Local Products, Elhamra Gallery, Istanbul, Turkey
 1999 Between '99, Resmi Görüş Güncel Sanat Seçkisi, Istanbul, Turkey
 International Women's Art Festival, Shebani Building, Aleppo, Syria
 Between '99, Istanbul Technical University, Istanbul, Turkey
 1998 Project/Work, Marmara University, Istanbul, Turkey
 Back to Back, Arnavutkoy Studio, Istanbul, Turkey
 Artagora, Bilgi University and Dolmabahce Cultural Center Via Internet, Istanbul, Turkey
 1997 Between, Ataturk Cultural Centre, Istanbul, Turkey
 1996 Logos (Aphasia) Semeion (Asemasia)-(Non) Signification (Non)Comm/Uni/Cati/On, Aynali Passage, Istanbul, Turkey
 1995 Work, Sanart, Ankara, Turkey
 1994 Work, STT, The Art Definition Group, Faruk Ilgaz Center, Istanbul, Turkey

Residencies

- 2017 Nordic Art Association, NFK, (supported by IASPIS), Stockholm, Sweden
 2006 Banff Art Center, Alberta, Canada

Curatorial Work

- 2008 Co-Founder of 5533 Off-Space, Istanbul, Turkey

Collections

- Istanbul Modern Collection, Istanbul, Turkey
 Private collections, including the Dyala Nusseibeh, Tansa Mermerci, Çarmıklı and Hüma Kabakçı collections

Artists Books

- 2008 Searching for Alternatives in Art, Karakalem Kitabevi publications, Izmir, Turkey
- 1998 Searching for Alternatives to Painting and Sculpture, Yapı Kredi publications, Istanbul, Turkey