

MICHELLE LEONE HUISMAN

Photo-based Artist

Lives and works in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada

FORTHCOMING EXHIBITIONS

April 2026 - Co-organizer & Juror, Another Room, Gallery 881, Vancouver, CA

May 2026 - Vapes & Butts, Solo Exhibition, Gallery 881, Vancouver, CA

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2023 CMYK9, Global Pandemic, An Unexpected Collection, Janaki Larsen Studio, Vancouver, CA

2023 CMYK9, Bob Carnie Gallery, Toronto, CA

2023 An Unexpected Collection, John Richard Allison Library, Vancouver, CA

2022 Global Pandemic, Dal Schindell Gallery, Vancouver, CA

2021 An Unexpected Collection, Bob Carnie Gallery, Toronto, CA

2021 An Unexpected Collection, Fabrique St. George, Vancouver, CA

GROUP & CURATED EXHIBITIONS

2025 Vapes & Butts (curated presentation), SPAO, Ottawa, CA

2024 Salon Wall, Gallery 881, Vancouver, CA

2023 Darkroom / Dimroom II, Bob Carnie Gallery, Toronto, CA

2023 Darkroom / Dimroom I, Bob Carnie Gallery, Toronto, CA

2023 World of Photography, FotoNostrum, Barcelona, ES

2023 20th Julia Margaret Cameron Exhibition, FotoNostrum, Barcelona, ES

2022 Xposé, CONTACT Photography Festival / CAPIC, Papermill Gallery, Toronto, CA

2022 18th Julia Margaret Cameron Exhibition, FotoNostrum, Barcelona, ES

2021 Vision of Nature, Light Art Space, Silver City, NM, USA

BOOKS & CATALOGUES

2025 Vapes & Butts, hand-bound book , Limited Edition, Self-published, Ottawa, CA

2024/2025 Gratitude: The SPAO Annual - 20th Anniversary edition, SPAO Publishing, Ottawa, CA

2023 The World of Photography, Direction by Julio Hirsch-Hardy. FotoNostrum Publishing, Barcelona, ES

2023 20th Julia Margaret Cameron Awards Catalogue, Direction by Julio Hirsch-Hardy, FotoNostrum Publishing, Barcelona, ES

2022 18th Julia Margaret Cameron Awards Catalogue, Direction by Julio Hirsch-Hardy, FotoNostrum Publishing, Barcelona, ES

PRESS + PUBLISHED

2025 PhotoED Magazine - [Memory Issue, Vapes & Butts](#)

2023 Toronto Metropolitan University - [Love dogs? Check out this TMU grad's photography exhibit](#)

2023 Young W - [CMYK9: Michelle Huisman at Silvershack](#) (Bob Carnie Gallery)

2023 Sesay Arts Magazine - [Michelle Leone Huisman's CMYK9: The Finale of a Critically Acclaimed Photography Trilogy](#)

2023 CJRU - [From a pandemic dog art show to a film about Thorncliffe Park, Toronto's art culture is booming](#)

2023 On the List - [See the Pandemic Through Canine Eyes in Michelle Leone Huisman's CMYK9 Exhibition](#)

2022 CBC News - [This Vancouver photographer has turned mask trash into photogenic art](#)

2022 The Vancouver Sun - [Masks and Mother Nature combine for twofold pandemic statement](#)

2022 CTV Television - Michelle Leone Huisman's Global Pandemic (link not available)

2022 The Province - [Masks and Mother Nature combine for twofold pandemic statement](#)

2022 Jay Minter - [View Michelle Leone Huisman's Global Pandemic at the Dal Schindell Gallery](#)

2022 Fairchild TV: Urban Life - [Global Pandemic 全球大流行攝影展](#)

2022 MiSS 604 - [Michelle Leone Huisman Turns Discarded Masks into Global Pandemic Art Exhibition](#)

2022 CityNews - [Vancouver artist upcycles tossed, lost face masks to shine light on environment](#)

2022 Global News Television - [Turning discarded masks into art](#)

2022 Vita Daily - [Face Masks Make Fine Art](#)

2022 Daily Hive - [Discarded COVID-19 masks transform into art in new Vancouver exhibit \(PHOTOS\)](#)

2022 Vancouver Is Awesome - [Vancouver photographer turning masks into fine art](#)

2022 The Georgia Straight - [Discarded COVID-19 masks become Huisman's art](#)

2022 La Source - [Des masques porteurs d'espoir et de gravité](#)

2022 The Commentary - [Michelle Leone Huisman](#)

2022 Preview Magazine - [Michelle Leone Huisman: Global Pandemic](#)

2022 Radio-Canada - [Quand les masques deviennent source d'inspiration pour une photographe de Vancouver](#)

2021 Wandering Autumn Magazine - [COVID-19: A Documentation of the Canadian Experience, Issue 5](#)

2021 Global TV - [Vancouver photographer creates tribute to frontline workers with broken spoon art](#)

2021 STIR - [Broken spoons from the 7pm cheer for health-care workers turn into a new fine-art photography exhibition](#)

2021 The Georgia Straight - [Michelle Leone Huisman offers An Unexpected Collection](#)

2021 Canadian Art - [Michelle Leone Huisman: An Unexpected Collection](#)

EDUCATION + ACHIEVEMENTS

SPAO Residency

Private Training in Palladium & Gum Bichromate Printing with Bob Carnie, Toronto, CA

BFA with Honours, Toronto Metropolitan University, Toronto, CA

Emily Carr University of Art + Design, Continuing Studies in Photographic Arts, Vancouver, CA

Langara College, Continuing Studies in Applied Arts, Vancouver, CA

Vancouver Photo Workshops, Continuing Studies, Vancouver, CA

Julia Margaret Cameron Awards - Honorable Mentions in Alternative Processes, Barcelona, ES

Denis Roussel Award - Work of Merit, International, USA

SKILLS

Photography, 19th-century printing processes including gum bichromate and palladium, cyanotype, macro photography, Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Lightroom, Mac-based workflows, interior and set decorating for international commercial productions, budget management; fundraising

FILM, TELEVISION + COMMERCIAL PRODUCTION (ART ON SET)

Apple TV, Disney Plus, Netflix, Crave, Amazon Prime, YouTube, Paramount Plus, Google Play, Hallmark, Vimeo, Roku, Hulu, Hayu, Peacock, Fubo, Fandango, Tubi, Plex, Crunchyroll, Now TV, NBC, ABC, CTV, Global, Telus, Tricon

DONATIONS + FUNDRAISING + ADVOCACY

Ronald McDonald House BC & Yukon, Vancouver, CA

Magnum Foundation - Legacy Project, Toronto, CA

Polygon Gallery - Leadership Circle, North Vancouver, CA

Lead Organizer, Pop Up Plaza Mural at 21st Avenue & Main Street, Vancouver, CA

Lead Organizer, Little Mountain Neighbourhood House Mural, Vancouver, CA

Little Mountain Neighbourhood House Society, Board Member, Vancouver, CA

Vancouver Foundation - Community Action Table Committee Member (Central Vancouver)