

# THIS IS NO FANTASY

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## ALI TAHAYORI

Born Shiraz, Iran

### QUALIFICATIONS

- 2022 Master of Fine Art, (Photo-media), National Art School, Sydney NSW
- 2006 Doctor of Medicine, Shiraz University of Medical Sciences, Iran
- 2003 Graduate Diploma (Photography), Sepid-o-Siyah Art School, Shiraz, Iran

### SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2025 Archive of Longing, THIS IS NO FANTASY, Melbourne VIC (forthcoming)
- 2024 Kill Me Softly, Counihan Gallery, Melbourne VIC  
i will meet you there, First Draft, Sydney NSW  
After Everything Has Been Said, Linden New Art Project Space, Melbourne VIC
- 2023 Looking at Me Looking At You, THIS IS NO FANTASY, Melbourne VIC  
Unseen Photo Fair, THIS IS NO FANTASY, Amsterdam NL  
The Sky Is The Same, Gosford Regional Gallery, NSW  
Impossible Desire, KNULP, Sydney NSW
- 2022 What Comes Afterwards, Gaffa Gallery, Sydney NSW

### GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2025 Five Acts of Love, ACCA, Melbourne VIC  
Queer Contemporary: Chaosophy, National Art School, Sydney NSW  
NOFANTASY25, THIS IS NO FANTASY, Melbourne VIC  
Quarantine Art Fair, THIS IS NO FANTASY, Portsea VIC
- 2024 Josephine Ulrick and Win Schubert Photography Award 2024, HOTA, QLD  
Incinerator Art Award for Social Change, Incinerator Gallery, Melbourne VIC  
National Photographic Portrait Prize, National Portrait Gallery, Canberra ACT  
Burwood Art Prize, Burwood Library and Community Hub, Sydney NSW  
National Photography Prize, MAMA Murray Art Museum Albury, Albury VIC  
Melbourne Art Fair, THIS IS NO FANTASY, Melbourne VIC  
Photo London, Curated by Roya Khadjavi Projects, London UK  
To look each other in the eye, Ideas Platform, Artspace, Sydney NSW  
MIA Photo Fair, Curated by Roya Khadjavi Projects, Milan IT
- 2023 From Fire: NC Qin and Ali Tahayori, Casula Powerhouse, Sydney NSW  
SPRING 1883 Art Fair, THIS IS NO FANTASY, Hotel Windsor, Melbourne VIC  
Photo London, Curated by Roya Khadjavi Projects, London UK  
Braving Time: Queer Contemporary, Sydney World Pride, National Art School, Sydney NSW  
ORBIT, THIS IS NO FANTASY, Melbourne VIC  
Tracing the Rupture, Blue Mountains Cultural Centre, Katoomba NSW  
Emanate, New England Regional Art Museum, Armidale NSW
- 2022 Post-Graduate Show, National Art School, Sydney NSW  
Vantage Point Sharjah 10, Al Hamriyah studios, Sharjah, UAE  
Plexus, Comber Street Studios, Sydney NSW  
Retrograde//Anterograde, Airspace Projects, Sydney NSW
- 2021 William and Winifred Bowness Photography Prize, Monash Gallery of Art, Melbourne VIC  
Blacktown City Art Prize, The Leo Kelly Blacktown Art Centre, Sydney NSW
- 2020 March Arts, RPAH, Sydney NSW
- 2004 Plastic, Vessal Gallery, Shiraz, Iran
- 2003 Graduate Exhibition, Sepid-o-Siyah Gallery, Shiraz, Iran

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## AWARDS | GRANTS | RESIDENCIES

- 2024 Winner - Burwood Art Prize, Sydney, NSW  
Finalist - Nikon Emerging Photographer Award, Photo London 2024  
Finalist - National Photography Prize, MAMA Albury, VIC  
Finalist - PhMuseum Photography Grant, Bologna, IT  
Finalist - National Photographic Portrait Prize, National Portrait Gallery, ACT  
Artist in Residence - Parramatta Artist Studios, Sydney NSW
- 2023 Finalist - Fishers Ghost Art Award, Campbelltown NSW  
Finalist - Waverley Art Prize, Sydney NSW  
Finalist - Hazelhurst Art on Paper Award, NSW
- 2022 Winner - Prix Yves Hernot Photography Award, National Art School Sydney  
Finalist - Blacktown City Art Prize  
Finalist - Hornsby Art Prize  
Finalist - Gosford Art Prize - Highly commended honorable mention  
Finalist - Vantage Point Sharjah 10, Sharjah UAE
- 2021 Finalist - William & Winifred Bowness Photography Prize, Monash Gallery of Art, Melbourne VIC  
Highly Commended Honorable Mention - Bowness Photography Prize, Monash Gallery of Art Melbourne VIC  
Winner - Smith and Singer People's Choice Award, William & Winifred Bowness Photography Prize  
Finalist - Blacktown City Art Prize, Sydney NSW
- 2020 Winner - March Arts Photography Prize, Sydney NSW
- 2018 March Arts, Sydney Local Health District, Sydney NSW

## COLLECTIONS

Artbank Australia  
Ipswich Art Gallery, QLD  
Burwood Council, NSW  
HOTA, Gold Coast, QLD  
Private Collections Australia + overseas