



Elizethe Helena Borghetti

Chapada - RS, Brazil (1955-2020)

Professional Career

Recognized for her work in painting, watercolor, drawing, engraving, and photography. She was also a teacher of painting and art history. In 2016, she served as Visual Arts Coordinator for the city of Porto Alegre, working at the Pinacoteca Ruben Berta. She was the creator and founder of AAPIPA – Association of Friends of Porto Alegre Art Galleries, established in 2016.

Education

Lou Borghetti studied painting with Danúbio Gonçalves, Fernando Baril, Renina Katz, Katie van Scherpenberg, Plínio Bernhardt, and Ana Tiscornia (Uruguay). Between 1973 and 1980, she regularly attended the Municipal Open Art Studio, where she studied wood carving under Anestor Tavares, sculpture under Claudio Martins Costa, drawing and lithography with Danúbio Gonçalves, and art theory and watercolor with Fayga Ostrower. She also studied and assisted in the studio of Iberê Camargo and later participated in the art workshop of Marco Túlio Resende in Belo Horizonte. Lou organized watercolor workshops at the Faculty of Fine Arts of the University of Seville (Spain) and at the Florence University of the Arts (Italy).

Awards

2016 - Recognition for the Culture contribution in the capital of Rio Grande do Sul – Porto Alegre Mayor and Secretary of Culture

2012 – Talents of Rio Grande do Sul – Fine Arts category – Revista Contigo!

2007 – Nominated in the “Painting Excellence” category – Azorean Fine Arts Award 2006.

2006 – Iberê Camargo Award, Porto Alegre City Council, RS

1997 – Il Yázigi Sonilton Alves Award, Porto Alegre, RS

1996 – Acquisition Award, Brazil/Mexico Exhibition, National Watercolor Museum, Mexico City, Mexico

Solo Exhibitions

2010 – Iron and Flower - Tina Zapolli Gallery, Porto Alegre, RS

2009 – Possible Landscapes - Picasso Gallery, Washington, DC

2009 – Florense Goethe, Porto Alegre, RS

2008 – Possible Landscapes - Picasso Gallery, Washington, DC

2007 – Possible Landscapes - Brazilian-American Cultural Institute, Washington, DC

2007 – Antônio Caringi Exhibition Hall, Pelotas, RS

2006 – Paintings - Rio Grande do Sul Museum of Art, Porto Alegre, RS

2006 – Jesuit Reductions Review – Avenida Cultural Clebio Sória, Porto Alegre City Council, RS

2005 – Multiples of 1 - Xico Stockinger Gallery, Mario Quintana House of Culture, Porto Alegre, RS

2005 – Homes to Live In - Arte & Fato Gallery, Porto Alegre, RS

2003 – Elements - Percy Vargas de Abreu e Lima House of Culture, Caxias do Sul, RS

2000 – Elements – Aplub Cultural Center, Porto Alegre, RS

1999 – Tupi 500 – Gravura Gallery, Porto Alegre, RS

1998 – Missionary Cartography - Jesuit Reductions Sensitive Archeology - Historical Museum House of the Immigrant, Bento Gonçalves, RS

1998 – Missionary Cartography - Jesuit Reductions Sensitive Archeology - Yázigi Sonilton Alves Cultural Space, Porto Alegre, RS

1997 – Paintings - Mosaico Art Gallery, Porto Alegre, RS

1996 – Federico Garcia Lorca – studies - Via Livia Art Gallery, Porto Alegre, RS

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 1996 – Elizethe Borghetti – watercolors and acrylics - Mosaico Art Gallery, Porto Alegre, RS
 1995 – Yázigi Sonilton Alves Cultural Space, Porto Alegre, RS
 1995 - Modernidade Gallery & Applied Art, Novo Hamburgo, RS
 1994 – InforESSENCE – Mosaico Art Gallery, Porto Alegre, RS
 1994 – InforESSENCE - Atelier Livre de Cachoeira do Sul, RS
 1993 – Municipal Center of Culture de Santo Ângelo, RS
 1992 – WATERCOLORS - Mario Quintana Culture House, Porto Alegre, RS
 1991 – I Day by Day Exhibit - Arte & Fato Gallery, Porto Alegre, RS
 1990 – On Women, Flowers, and Wine – Aurora Winery, Bento Gonçalves, RS

Group Exhibitions

2019 – Portraits of Family Ties, by Lisette Guerra – Moinhos Shopping, Porto Alegre, RS
 2018 – The transversality of art – Rio Preto, SP
 2017 – Porto Alegre 245th anniversary week – Paço Municipal Açorianos, Porto Alegre, RS
 2017 – Women by Women - representations of the feminine - Pinacotheca Aldo Locatelli, Porto Alegre, RS
 2016 – Vision 7.0 Artist's Life – Usina do Gasômetro - Porto Alegre, RS
 2014 – Ball Parade - Porto Alegre, RS
 2014 - 100th anniversary of Iberê Camargo - Gravura Gallery, Porto Alegre, RS
 2011 – 1st Artistic Photography Fair of Porto Alegre - Lá Photo Gallery and Cultural Space, Porto Alegre, RS
 2010 – Blessed – Florense Goethe, Porto Alegre, RS
 2010 – Navigator's Gallery – Garagem de arte St Gallery, Porto Alegre, RS
 2008 – From screen to canvas – Moinhos Shopping, Porto Alegre, RS
 2008 – Meeting & Meetings – Maurício Rosenblat Room, Porto Alegre, RS
 2006 – Mallmann&Mallmann Gallery, Porto Alegre RS.
 2006 – MACnoA6 – CONSOLIDATION – Cais do Porto, Porto Alegre, RS
 2005 – Italian Anima - MARGS – Museum of Art of Rio Grande do Sul, Porto Alegre, RS
 2004 – Brazil of the Gauchos – Correios Cultural Center, Rio de Janeiro, RJ
 2004 – Da Vera Gallery - Leopoldina Juvenil, Porto Alegre, RS
 2004 – MAC launch exhibit, Cais do Porto, Porto Alegre, RS.
 2004 – Forty – Augusto Meyer Hall and Mauricio Rosenblat Space - Mario Quintana Culture House, Porto Alegre, RS
 2003 – 1st International Miniart Exchange Brazil - Usina do Gasômetro Cultural Center, Porto Alegre, RS
 2003 – Freud For Everyone – Santander Cultural, Porto Alegre, RS
 2003 – III Yasmin Original Carpet Exhibit – Yasmin Tapetes, Porto Alegre, RS
 2002 – From the heart, the event - Arte & Fato Gallery, Porto Alegre, RS
 2002 – Art and Mystic Tradition – Francis Bacon Art Rooms, Curitiba, PR
 2001 – 1st EXPOCOR – PUCRS Convention Center, Porto Alegre, RS
 2001 – 30 Artists from Rio Grande do Sul – Federal Justice Cultural Center, Rio de Janeiro, RS
 2001 - 22 Artists from the Dictionary of Fine Arts - Pinacotheca of São Paulo, SP
 2001 – V Proyecto Cultural SUR International Fine Arts Exhibit, Bento Gonçalves, RS
 2000 – Porto Alegre 2000 - MARGS – Museum of Art of Rio Grande do Sul, Porto Alegre, RS
 2000 – Workshop Project – Reinterpretations of Pablo Picasso – Via Livia Gallery, Porto Alegre, RS
 2000 – Diffusion Project – Animaes Universo Online
 1998 – II Yázigi Award Winner Exhibition – Yázigi Cultural Space, Novo Hamburgo, RS
 1998 – Portraits of a Wedding, Júlio de Castilhos Museum, Porto Alegre, RS.
 1997 – Modernidade Applied Art &Gallery, Novo Hamburgo, RS
 1997 – II Yázigi Award Winner Exhibition, Porto Alegre, RS
 1997 – FRIENDSHIP Exhibition –APLUB Cultural Center, Porto Alegre, RS
 1996 – Second International Watercolor Biennial - National Watercolor Museum, Mexico
 1996 – Watercolor Brazil – National Watercolor Museum, Mexico
 1996 – The Artist's Window, Mosaico Art Gallery, Porto Alegre, RS
 1996 – Siamo Tutti Buona Gente – Agência de Arte Gallery, Porto Alegre, RS
 1996 – V National AGAPA Exhibit - Porto Alegre, RS

1995 – Estúdio de Arte Gallery, Florianópolis, SC
1995 – Is this Beijing? (A Woman and her circumstances) - Agência de Arte Gallery, Porto Alegre, RS
1995 – COLLECTIVE – Paintings and Sculptures – Alencastro Guimarães Gallery, Porto Alegre, RS
1995 – FLOWER, FLOWERS - Da Vera Art Gallery, Porto Alegre, RS
1994 – InflorESSENCE - Soluzione Gallery, Caxias do Sul, RS
1994 – CELEBRATING 94 – Mosaico Art Gallery, Porto Alegre, RS
1992 – Art never leaves you – Fine Arts Exhibition and Benefit Auction – Mário Quintana Culture House, Porto Alegre, RS
1992 – III Art Exhibition – Anchieta School, Porto Alegre, RS
1991 – Porto Alegre Year 2000, Award and Exhibition at MARGS, Porto Alegre, RS
1990 - New Talents in Plastic Arts - Pontifical Catholic University of Rio Grande do Sul, Porto Alegre, RS
1987 – 18th Anniversary of Pasquim, Porto Alegre, RS
1985 – Sculpture Exhibit, Caxias do Sul, RS
1983 – Carvings - City Hall's Free Workshop, Porto Alegre, RS

Legacy and Posthumous Recognition

2025 – Artist Friends – Photographic Exhibition by Fernando Zago, curated by José Francisco Alves – MAPA – Museum of Art of the Paço, Porto Alegre, RS
2023 – (Im)probable Landscapes – Collective curated by Ana Zavadil – Gravura Gallery, Porto Alegre, RS
2023 – Lou and her students: a tribute – Gravura Gallery, Porto Alegre, RS
2020 – Tribute - Azoreans Fine Arts Award 2019
2020 – Check-in with art – Collective exhibition organized by Gravura Gallery – Radisson Hotel, Porto Alegre, RS

Works in Collections

MARGS – Rio Grande do Sul Museum of Art Ado Malagoli, Porto Alegre, RS
Pinacoteca Aldo Locatelli, Porto Alegre, RS
MACRS - Contemporary Art Museum, Porto Alegre, RS
Fundación Federico García Lorca, Madrid, Spain
Yázigi Collection Project - Sonilton Alves, São Paulo, SP
APLUB Collection, Porto Alegre, RS
Private collection in South America, Europe and the USA

Special Editions and Projects

2018 – Author of the book “*A mulher que habito – 30 anos – 33 mulheres*” (The woman I inhabit - 30 years - 33 women)
2014 – Cover of the Guide to Porto Alegre, RS
2014 – POP drum exhibit – Casa Bó, Porto Alegre, RS
2012 – Atmosphere Project – Germânia Park, Porto Alegre, RS

Corporate Art Projects

DINERS VIP lounge, Salgado Filho International Airport, Porto Alegre, RS
TRAMONTINA GROUP, Carlos Barbosa, RS
ZAFFARI GROUP, Porto Alegre, RS
RBS GROUP, Porto Alegre, RS
Irigaray Guindastes e Transportes Multimodais, RS
Goldstein, RS
Designed several book covers
Participated in Interior Design shows: Casa&Cia, Casa Cor and Elite

Mentions and Citations

Fine Arts Dictionary of Rio Grande do Sul, by Renato Rosa and Décio Presser, Porto Alegre, RS