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SHOWINGS

2026	Poetics of the Event Event Breakout Artist at EXPO Open Studio @ 675 Collaboration with Aleida Perez ORROR Ratio Materials and Processes [...]	Northwestern University (Chicago, IL) Chicago Artist Coalition (Chicago, IL) Mana Contemporary (Chicago, IL) Foro del Dinosaurio (Mexico City, Mexico) Museo Universitario El Chopo (Mexico City, Mexico) Soft Systems at Parlouger and Ramp (Chicago, IL)
2025	Materials and Processes [...] ORROR Ratio ALTÆRITY Hairless Companion Bitch Estuaries Things We Carry Untitled installation (slippery wax[...]) Body's First Architecture digging through softness (installation) EXPO Art Chicago (DoVA) Split bill with Maya Odum My Loser Lizard Brain Digging through Softness with Alana Ferguson Split bill: Where are the concubines? Arte Acción Kincerañera Month Sirens from Monolith	Soft Systems at Plot (Chinatown, LA) Museum of Contemporary Art (Chicago, IL) First Presbyterian Church (Chicago, IL) Loaves and Witches (Chicago, IL) Hidden Ideas + sthesia (Chicago, IL) Studio Montclair (Montclair, NJ) Leisure (Chicago, IL) Ely Center of Contemporary Art (New Haven, CT) Appendix Gallery (Chicago, IL) Navy Pier (Chicago, IL) PO Box Collective (Chicago, IL) Roman Susan at Berger Park (Chicago, IL) Comfort Station (Chicago, IL) W.I.H.S.H projects (Chicago, IL) No Nation - Tangential Unspace (Chicago, IL) Tritriangle (Chicago, IL)
2024	a cooking machine to melt your heart Physical embodiment in multiple [...] Flooding Virgen (English + Chinese) Flooding Virgen (Chinese subtitles) poems on grieving (open mic) sensuality of remembering (open mic) How to domesticate Tina (the prequel) 2024 Artist to Watch artist talk sweat to melt your heart Tribute to Pope.L March 24th screening	Siren Arts from Transformer (Asbury Park, NJ) Senior Planet from AARP (online) Dedualle Art Space (Chicago, IL) Maoworm Short Film Screening (Taichung, Taiwan) FRUTAS (Chicago, IL) PO Box Collective (Chicago, IL) The Lawn (Chicago, IL) Comfort Station (Chicago, IL) Graham Foundation (Chicago, IL) Jessica Stockholder: For Events (Chicago, IL) Kai Inhs + Brett Swensen (Chicago, IL)
2023	Dinosaur visits the gala (swim/survival/sink/soft) TANKING Two sided frames: Bleeding on my pla Do you know the pain? Foot's the limi MFA Thesis Show Mold resiliency paws in place Do you know the pain? Foot's the limi A perspective on embodiment [...] Sleeping beauty wakes up A hard baby reflects	Hyde Park Art Center gala (Chicago, IL) center • part (Logan Center Exhibitions, IL) Summer Saudade (Art y Honey online) M. G. Nelson Gallery (Springfield, IL) center • part (Logan Center Exhibitions, IL) Pawing The Ground In Place (Logan Gallery, IL) Meadows Gallery (University of Texas at Tyler, TX) Senior Planet from AARP (online) Northern District of Illinois Court (Chicago, IL) Chat About Workshop (Logan Center 802, IL)
2022	Lecture performance as C. Tai Tai A hard baby cleans A hard baby buries Life quantized A hard baby's leg armor	Diasporic Practices in Contemporary Art (Logan Center, IL) Logan Center Terrace (University of Chicago, IL) The Kiln House (Logan Center, IL) Arts and Science Collaboration Grant (Midway Studios, IL) Artifacts of Sentience (Monte Vista Projects, CA)

	A hard baby: OOPS I did it again	Essex Flowers Flowers Festival (Essex Gallery, NY)
	A hard baby searches and strolls [...]	Artifacts of Sentience (Monte Vista Projects, CA)
	A hard baby climbs to (fake sugary) success	The Moving Company and Friends at FiveMyles Gallery (Crown Heights, NY)
	Washing+精靈 @ Church	27 Contact Hours (St. Felicitas Church, IL)
	Washing+精靈: poncho triptych	Roots: New Growth (Center for Visual Arts, WI)
	A hard baby's leg armor	Artifacts of Sentience (Monte Vista Projects, CA)
2021	死角/ esquinas mías// Closed for [...]	Dissolving Borders (New LatinX Collective online, NY)
	Washing+精靈	Logan Center Studios (University of Chicago, IL)
2020	Performative Massage	A Happening (Collective View, NY)
	Un-Becoming	Celebrating Slowness (The Moving Company + Friends, NY)
	self portrait	Corona Care + (Field Projects Gallery, NY)
	Wrinkled	Final showing (EMERGENYC 2020, NY)
	¿comfortidades'[...]?	Group showing (Exponential Festival, NY)
	Functional Aesthetics	Fall Open Call group showing (MAIDENLA, CA)
	死角/ esquinas mías// Closed for [...]	Fundraiser group showing (Adeline Yoga, CA)
	¿comodidades?	Artifacts of Sentience (SUPERCOLLIDER, CA)
	Thirst	Contagion Cabaret group showing (Dixon Place, NY)
	Pedestal of Light	Performance Anxiety group showing (Chinatown Soup, NY)
	Candylicious	Breaking Ground Festival (Tempe Center for the Arts, AZ)
2019	Quench	Exponential Festival (Para\\el Performance Space, NY)
	Candylicious	Commune group showing (New York Live Arts, NY)
	Water Me	OFFLINE: Thrive group showing (Nimbus Dance, NJ)
	Water Me	Vital Materials group showing (Local Project Art Space, NY)
	Quenching Thirst	Inundation, [...] group showing (House of Solutions, NY)
	Thirsty	Milk Press Happenings (Poetry Festival, NY)
	Thirst	Multiversant group show (ChaShaMa Gallery NY)
	Filtering through [...]	Group showing (Para//el Performance, NY)
	Heavy Cushions	Immigrant Artist Biennial Fundraiser (Radiator Gallery, NY)
2017	Wedding Mat	Flakes of Dreams' invited guest showing (RESOBOX, NY)
2013	Keep Going	Movement Research Mondays (Judson Memorial Church, NY)
	On Support	Howl Performance Series group showing (Brooklyn, NY)
		Ballet Arts (New York City Center)
		The Kennedy Dancers Repertory Center (New Jersey, NY)

EDUCATION

2021-2023	Masters of Fine Arts in Visual Arts (University of Chicago, IL)
2021-2023	Sadhana Studies/500 Hour Iyengar Yoga Teacher Training (Adeline Yoga, CA)
2019-2020	Iyengar Yoga Teacher Training (Iyengar Institute of New York, NY)
2019	Crossfit Dutchkills and Crossfit and Strongman Training (Astoria, NY)
2018	Anatomy Training for Yoga Teachers (Yoga 216, NY)
2015-2016	200 Hour Teacher Training (The Yoga Room, Queens)
2014-2016	Masters of Science in Translation Studies (New York University, NY)
2012	Summer Intensive (American Dance Festival, NC)
2011-2013	Certificate Program in Dance Performance (Peridance Capezio Center, NY)
2007-2011	Bachelors of Art in Psychology and Dance (Washington University, MO)

PUBLICATIONS and REVIEWS

2025	Introducing The Old Tai and Beijing	Femme Art Review	London, Ontario
	Shichahai		
	Digging through Softness	Performance Response Journal	Chicago, IL

2024	not knowing or what does knowing [...] Chat About 2023-2024	Plumas Revista with Tianjiao Wang	Salt Lake City, UT Chicago, IL
2023	Meet D. Tai Tai Performance Excess (center • part) Chatted About: A Conversation on Resistance and Belonging	Canvas Rebel David Sami with Carla Nuñez-Hernandez	(Online) centerpart.site Chat About Chicago, IL
2022	For you, for me (at Goldilocks Zone) Mexico: Near and Far, a la distancia	Sunspot Literary Journal UChicago DoVA	Durham, NC Chicago, IL
2018	Permission to Touch a Virtual/Real Performer	Medium	(Online)

TEACHING and ASSISTING

2025	Rehearsal Assistant Adjunct Professor	Tamar Ettun at Jewish Museum School of Art and Art History: <i>Winter 2025 Graduate Committee</i>	New York, NY University of Illinois Chicago, IL
2024-2026 2023-2024	Dance Instructor Teaching Fellow	Lincoln Park Cultural Center Department of Visual Arts: <i>On Images: Translating embodied knowledge to mark making and On Objects: physicality in non-body things</i>	Chicago, IL University of Chicago, IL
2024 2021-2023	Guest Artist Course Assistant	Ceyhun Firat's Asian Art Class Department of Visual Arts at the University of Chicago for Catherine Sullivan, Scott Wolniack, Laura Letinsky, Julia Phillips, Geof Oppenheimer, and Amber Ginsburg	Carthage College, IL Chicago, IL
2023	Guest Teacher	Tamar Ettun's Performance Class	Columbia University, NY
2021 2016-2021 2019	Curriculum Specialist Technology Trainer Guest Critic	Senior Planet from AARP Senior Planet Performance Class by Tamar Ettun	New York, NY New York, NY Parsons, NY
2018 2017-2018 2016-2018 2016-2020	Teaching Artist Rehearsal Director Teaching Artist Rehearsal Assistant Yoga Instructor	The Sable Project Tamar Ettun's The Moving Company LIVunLTD	Stockbridge, VT Barrick Museum, NV Crown Heights, NY New York, NY New York, NY

AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS, and RESIDENCIES

2026	Chicago Performance Lab Summer 2026 New City Breakout Artist LATITUDE Residency (Chicago, IL)		
2025	Neo-Futurist Infinite Wretch Ensemble Finalist (Chicago, IL) LATITUDE Residency Top 20th Semi-Finalist (Chicago, IL) Stove Works Residency Finalist Waitlist (Chattanooga, TN)		
2024	Chicago Dancemakers Lab Artists Program Top 20th Semi-Finalist (Chicago, IL) Vermont Studio Center November 3-21 Residency Invitation (Johnson, VT) 2024 Artist to Watch (Comfort Station, IL) EAT: Economics. Arts. Transformation (Creative Time, NY) Graham Foundation Grant (EXPO Art, IL)		

	Green Box Arts Residency Semi-Finalist (Green Mountain Falls, CO)
	Movement and Yoga Art Residency (The First Presbyterian Church of Chicago, IL)
2023	Graduate Council Community, Wellness, and Social Fund (University of Chicago, IL)
2022	Graduate Council Research Fund (University of Chicago, IL)
	Humanities Division Conference Travel Grant (University of Chicago, IL)
2022-2023	Blessings Fund for Apprenticeship with Heather Haxo Phillips (Adeline Yoga, CA)
2022	Arts, Science, Culture + Initiative Grant (University of Chicago, IL)
	Graduate Council Personal Development Fund (University of Chicago, IL)
2021-2023	Dean's Scholarship (University of Chicago, IL)
2021	Summer Artist in Residence (MOtiVE Brooklyn, NY)
2020	Artist Relief Fund (New York Foundation for the Arts, NY, California Arts Council, CA, Dance/NYC, NY)
	Artist in Residence for Mark Dendy (American Dance Festival online, SC)
	Summer Artist in Residence (The Floor at Atlantic, NY)
	Fellowship through The Hemispheric Institute (EMERGENYC 2020 online, NY)
2019	Taller profesional para artistas Latinx (Creative Capital, NY)
	Summer Guest Artist (The Sable Project, VT)
	Spaces to Present with the NYFA IAP group (ChaShaMa, NY)
2018-2019	Immigrant Artist Mentorship Program (New York Foundation for the Arts, NY)
2016-2019	O1B Artist Visa (United States Citizenship and Immigration Services, USA)

SELECT WORK AS PERFORMER

2026	It's About Time	Shir Ende	Richard Gray Gallery, IL
	Wind Piece	Lauren S. Sudbrink	Logan Square Arts Festival, IL
2025	How to Trap a Demon	Tamar Ettun	Jewish Museum, NY
	Movement-Generated Architecture	Shir Ende	INVERSE Festival, Bentonville, AK
	Constructions	Shir Ende	Chicago Architecture Biennial, IL
	Spilling, sprawling, and other ways of building	Shir Ende	Roman and Susan, Chicago, IL
	Babbles (Lost Boys)	Lizzy May + Keli Gunn	Theater Y Chicago, IL
2024	Remy Charlip's score	Shir Ende	Patient Info, Chicago, IL
	Fête, galante et volupté	Jan Brugger	The Lawn, Chicago, IL
2023	Lit and Luz Festival	Edra Soto and Adalber Salas Hernández	MCA, Chicago, IL
2022	almost	Donna Costello	CPR, NY
	Hate and Grief	Pope.L	University of Chicago, IL
2021	almost (work in progress) underground	Donna Costello	Arts on Site, NY
		estrellx supernova	Counterpulse online, CA
2020	almost (in the frame)	Donna Costello	FEAST online, NY
	A Letter From Future Past	Hanae Utamura	Brooklyn Museum, NY
	Relational Economies	Stefanos Tsivopoulos	The 8th Floor, NY
2019	Relational Economies w/ Rebecca Pristoop	Stefanos Tsivopoulos	The 8th Floor, NY
	Whose Is A Place	The Moving Company	Art Lot, NY
	Whose Is A Place		Elmhurst Sculpture Garden, NY
	Dead Sea	Tamar Ettun	Pioneer Works, NY
	Study 206	Ariel Asch	92nd Street Y, NY
2018	The Let Go	Nick Cave	Park Avenue Armory, NY
	Blue and Orange	Tamar Ettun's The Moving Company	Times Square 10, NY

2017	Excerpts of Blue Studies #6 Part: PINK	Tingying Ma Tamar Ettun's The Moving Company	NADA Art Fair, NY Chambers Art Gallery, NY Katonah Art Museum, NY
	Part: PINK Studies #7 Studies #5 Studies #4 Studies #3 Part PINK: Playshop	Tingying Ma Tamar Ettun's The Moving Company	The Battery Park, NY Exponential Festival, NY Judson Church, NY Current Sessions, NY ITINERANT Festival, NY Leon Charney Center, Israel
2016	I dreamt of the elections Part: YELLOW		Danspace, NY Bryant Park, NY
2015	Cafe Le Monde 1989: A Musical Play Pre-Midnight A Mauve Bird with [...] Alulua in Blue	Tatiana Pandiani Tamar Ettun's The Moving Company	Connelley Theater, NY Columbia University, NY Andrea Meislin Gallery, NY The Watermill Center, NY Fridman Gallery, NY
2014	It's Not A Question [...] Be Human With Me I Am New York Still Acts	Indie Ballet Collaborative Maija Garcia Tamar Ettun's The Moving Company	Abrons Arts, NY CPR, NY Museo Del Barrio, NY La MaMa, NY
2013	The Last Days of Folly Art Prototype	Francesca Harper	Madison Square Park, NY Summerstage, NY