

## **OSARU OBASEKI**

B. Nigeria, 1993

Lives and works in Lagos, Nigeria

### **Solo exhibitions:**

2024

Osaru Obaseki: The Residency Outcome, AKKA Project Venezia, Venice, Italy in collaboration with Berengo Studio, Murano, Italy

2023

Osaru Obaseki: Petals of Identity, The Intersection of Nature and Culture, AKKA Project Venezia, Venice, Italy

### **Group exhibitions:**

2024

Glasstress ½, Fondazione Berengo & Berengo Studio, Murano, Venice, Italy

2023

General Assembly roll up exhibition, ICCROM, Rome, Italy

Incantations, Eclectica Contemporary, Cape Town, South Africa

The Natural / Kiribaku Art, Coningsby Gallery, Tottenham, London, UK

2021

Artepedia: A Tale of Shared Experiences, Lagos, Nigeria

Sabo Art Advisory: I Am Not A Goddess... Unless I Say I Am, Alliance Française, Lagos, Nigeria

2020

Young Contemporaries Alumni Exhibition, National Museum, Lagos, Nigeria

Re-entanglement Project Benin city: Colonial archives, creative collaborations, Northcote

Thoma's 1909-10 anthropological survey of Edo speaking communities in Southern, Nigeria

2019

Young contemporaries 2019, Rele Art Gallery, Lagos, Nigeria

### **Art fairs:**

2025

YouNique Boutique Art Fair, Lugano, Switzerland, with AKKA Project

2024

AKAA - Also Known As Africa - Art Fair, Paris, France, with AKKA Project

2023

RMB Latitude Art Fair, Eclectica Contemporary, Shepstone Gardens, Johannesburg, South Africa

### **Residencies:**

2024

Horniman Museum and Gardens in collaboration with WSA, London, UK

AKKA Project Venezia, Venice, Italy in collaboration with Berengo Studio, Murano, Italy

2019-2022

Edo Global Art Foundation, Benin City, Nigeria

### **Selected projects:**

2022

Deciphering the Ba-Bird, Egypt and Sudan collection, "Object in focus display project", British Museum International Training Programme,

<https://www.bmitpglobalnetwork.org/our-fellows/2021/osaru-obaseki/>,

<https://www.instagram.com/p/CcKtfyYq2Du/?igshid=MDJmNzVkMjY%3D>

2020

The Journey Amidst Time, Re-entanglement Project Benin city: Colonial collection in De-colonial times Museum of Archeology and Anthropology, London, UK,

[https://re-entanglements.net/osaru\\_obaseki\\_re-entanglements-net/](https://re-entanglements.net/osaru_obaseki_re-entanglements-net/)

### **Publications:**

Document Women, "A narrative photo essay of Osaru Obaseki", July 17th, 2021.

<https://documentwomen.com/the-multidisciplinary-artist-a-narrative-photo-essay-of-osaru-obaseki>

New York Times, "In the west the looted bronzes are museum pieces", June 23rd, 2021,

<https://www.nytimes.com/2021/06/23/world/africa/benin-bronzes-Nigeria-stolen.html>

### **Auctions:**

2021, Chalkwell Auctions: Artist on the rise