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One Person Exhibitions

2010

Relics. James Harris Gallery. Seattle, WA. January 7-February 20

Relics. Perry Rubenstein Gallery. New York, NY. May 6-June 26

2007

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At What Point is the Wax No Longer Wax. James Harris Gallery. Seattle, WA

2006

Gesture. Gold Coast Arts Centre. Surfers Paradise, Australia

2005

Spring Through Winter. Perry Rubenstein Gallery. New York, NY

Spring Through Winter. Mak Center for Art and Architecture. Los Angeles, CA

SOUTH...WEST...COLD...WATER...SOUTH...WEST...STUDIO...CITY. Roberts and Tilton Gallery. Los Angeles, CA

2004

Amir Zaki: Front and Center. Sweeney Art Gallery, UC Riverside. Riverside, CA

2003

VLHV (Valley Lake Hollywood Village). Roberts and Tilton Gallery. Los Angeles, CA

VLHV (Valley Lake Hollywood Village). James Harris Gallery. Seattle, WA

2002

Art Statements. Art Basel-Miami Beach. James Harris Gallery. Miami, FL

2001

Various Recordings of Ambient Noise (from at Least Ten Feet above Ground) and A Long, Dark Look at Common Roofing Materials and Their Surroundings and What Cats Might See. Roberts and Tilton Gallery. Los Angeles, CA

2000

Photographs From. Roberts and Tilton Gallery. Los Angeles, CA

Photographs From. James Harris Gallery. Seattle, WA

Photographs From. Caren Golden Gallery. New York, NY

1999

Spot-Lit Stages of a Nocturnal Voyage. Sweeney Art Gallery. University of California, Riverside

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2008

Amir Zaki and John Opera. Shane Campbell Gallery. Chicago, IL

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Group Exhibitions

2009

Underwater. Western Bridge. Seattle, WA

2008

Utopia. Traveling Exhibition – Multiple venues. Photoespaña, Museu Berardo. Lisbon, Portugal. May-July, 2008. Fundación Municipal de Cultura, Valladolid, Spain. January-February, 2009.

Truthiness: Photography as Sculpture. California Museum of Photography. Riverside, CA

Desertshore. Luckman Gallery. Cal State Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA

2007

California Context. Madison Museum of Contemporary Art. Madison, WI

Viewfinder. Henry Art Gallery. Seattle, WA

Exit Music (For a Film). Grimm/Rosenfeld. Munich, Germany

Imaging + Imagining California. Orange County Museum of Art. Newport Beach, CA

2006

Boys and Flowers. Western Bridge. Seattle, WA

Façade. Soil Gallery. Seattle, WA

Sub-Urbane. Rio Hondo College Art Gallery. Whittier, CA

California Biennial. Orange County Museum of Art. Newport Beach, CA

Suburban Escape: The Art of California Sprawl. San Jose Museum of Art. San Jose, CA

2005

The New City: Sub/Urbia in Recent Photography, Whitney Museum of American Art. New York, NY

Empire Style. Art 2102. Los Angeles, CA

Frontier. Roberts & Tilton. Los Angeles, CA

Still, Things Fall from the Sky. California Museum of Photography. Riverside, CA

Happenstance. Harris Lieberman Gallery. New York, NY

James D. Phelan Art Award in Photography. SF Cameraworks. San Francisco, CA

2004

Direct Exposure: Perspectives on the Southern California Landscape, Ontario International Airport. Ontario, CA.

2002

New Additions to the Curiously Strong Collection, New Museum of Contemporary Art. New York, NY

For Real, The Pittsburgh Cultural Trust. Pittsburgh, PA

New Additions to the Curiously Strong Collection, Los Angeles Contemporary Exhibitions. Los Angeles, CA

Majestic Sprawl, Pasadena Museum of California Art. Pasadena, CA

Caught, Montserrat College of Art. Beverly, MA

Anti-form, Center for Contemporary Photography. Kansas City, MO

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2001

Friends of the West, Santa Barbara Museum of Art. Santa Barbara, CA
Vision Embraces the World, Echo Park Projects. Los Angeles, CA

2000

Scanner, CCAC Oliver Art Center. Oakland, CA
Legal Paper Show, Beyond Baroque. Venice, CA

1999

Take a Walk Around the Room, Tularosa Dr., Los Angeles, CA
MFA Thesis Exhibition, UCLA Wight Art Gallery. Los Angeles, CA.
CAA / MFA Juried Exhibition, Los Angeles Municipal Art Gallery. Los Angeles, CA

1998

Home, Los Angeles Culture Net. Internet Project : www.lacn.org

1997

Malibu Sex Party, Purple Fine Art. Venice, CA

1996

Thesis Exhibition, Sweeney Art Gallery. Riverside, CA

Monographs, Anthologies, and Books

2010

The Digital Eye. Anthology. Prestel Verlag. Munich, Berlin, London, New York. Pages 166-167

2009

Words Without Pictures. Book. LACMA (Los Angeles County Museum of Art). Transcription of artist talk and panel discussion, as well as publication of original essay. Los Angeles, CA. Pages 48-51, 103-117.

2006

Vitamin Ph.: New Perspectives in Photography. Anthology. Phaidon Press. London, England. Pages 328-329

2005

Expanding the Center: Walker Art Center and Herzog and de Meuron. Book. Distributed Art Publishers. New York, NY. Page 14

2003

Amir Zaki. VLHV (Valley Lake Hollywood Village) Monograph. Co-published by Roberts and Tilton, and James Harris Gallery. Los Angeles, CA

Projects, Commissions, Curated Exhibitions

2009

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Amir Zaki Selects Vintage Photographs of Southern California, 1870-1950. A selection and re-contextualization of historical photographs from a large archive. Steve Turner Contemporary. November 21st-December 19th. Los Angeles, CA.

2008

Words Without Pictures Essay Response. Original essay response entitled "Not Yet" commissioned by Charlotte Cotton, curator of photography at LACMA, as part of an online critical discussion forum surrounding issues of contemporary photography. January 3rd. Online at: <http://wordswithoutpictures.org>
Wright Auction House Image Series. Commissioned project to photograph and respond to the Wright Auction House's 60000 sq/ft warehouse space containing 20th century modernist furniture and art. Catalog reproduces 7 original works. Chicago, IL.

2006

Mouvement Magazine: l'indisciplinaire des arts vivants. Project featuring a double page reproduction of a photograph. July-September. Pages 134-135

2005

Amir Zaki: Billboard Project. Mak Center for Art and Architecture / City of West Hollywood. West Hollywood, CA. January-June

Domus Magazine. Commissioned artist project: Photographs of the Walker Art Center, Minneapolis, Minnesota - new extension by architects Herzog and de Meuron. Cover of the magazine and special feature. Issue #881. May. Tripartite cover and Pages 26-45.

Domus Magazine. Artist project. Portfolio feature and cover of magazine. Issue #885. October. Tripartite cover and Pages 32-35.

Grazia Magazine (Italian Version). Photographs of the Walker Art Center, Minneapolis, Minnesota - new extension by architects Herzog and de Meuron. Issue 43. October, 25th, 2005. Pages 119-122.

Ripe Magazine. Artist project. Juried selection of images. Issue: Open. November. Page 11

2004

Brown Constructions. Curated Exhibition. Lemon Sky Projects. Miami Beach, FL

Reviews, Articles, Features

2010

Faigan, Gary. *The Art of Everyday Objects.* KUOW Radio. Audio Feature. Seattle, WA. January 21st.

Faigan, Gary. *Amir Zaki at James Harris and Katya Marritz at Zeitgeist Café.* Artdish.com. January 22nd.

Graves, Jen. *California, Seattle, and Las Vegas.* The Stranger. Volume 19, No. 18. January 14th-20th. Page 23.

Graves, Jen. *Amir Zaki.* The Stranger. Cover and Review in the Stranger Suggests section. Volume 19, No. 18. January 7-13. Cover and Page 17.

Miller, Brian. *Amir Zaki.* Seattle Weekly. Calendar Section. [Seattle Weekly Online](http://SeattleWeeklyOnline.com). January 13th.

Peers, Alexandra. *Amir Zaki.* The New York Observer. Art Section. May 10th, 2010. Page 39.

Regen, Kyle. *Yesterday the Stranger Suggested: Amir Zaki at the James Harris Gallery.* [SLOG](http://SLOG.com). January 13th.

Spencer, Rosie. *Hang.* Icon. Article and Image spread. Issue 083. May. Pages 115-120.

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2009

Ollman, Leah. *A Constructive Look into the Past*. LA Times. December 11th. Calendar, D15.

2008

Cochran, Jessica. *Gallery Watch*. Chicago Social. January. Page 44.

Lang, Karissa. *Art*. New City. January 24th. Page 19.

Zellen, Jody. *Amir Zaki*. artUS. Issue 22, Spring. Page 31.

2007

Graves, Jen. *At What Point is the Wax No Longer Wax?*. Artinfo.com. May 24th. Online.

Graves, Jen. *At What Point is the Wax No Longer Wax?*. The Stranger. May 23rd-30th. The Stranger Suggests section.

Lippens, Nate. *Amir Zaki's Photographs Give Depth to Artifice*. Seattle Post-Intelligencer. May 17th. Theatre and Fine Arts Section P-1.

Nelson, Christian. *Looking vs. Seeing*. The Daily of the University of Washington. August 1st. Arts Section.

Pence, Elizabeth. *Viewfinder*. artUS. Issue 20. Winter. Page 61.

Schwendener, Martha. *Amir Zaki*. The New York Times. October 26th, Arts Section. Page B29

Tumlrir, Jan. *Sci-Fi Historicism: Part 1*. Flash Art. March-April. Pages 102-105.

Tumlrir, Jan. *Sci-Fi Historicism: Part 2*. Flash Art. May-June. Pages 118-121.

2006

Armstrong, Elizabeth. *California Above All*. Art Review Magazine. May-June. Pages 80-82.

Berwick, Carly. *Happenstance*. ARTnews Magazine. April. Page 146.

Blaine, Françoise-Alaine. *Los Angeles: Fait Son Show*. Beaux Arts Magazine. March. Page 77.

Campagnola, Sonia. *Focus on Los Angeles: Amir Zaki*. Flash Art. January-February. No. 246. Page 75.

Douglas, Theo. *Let's Talk About Us*. OC Weekly. October 5th. Volume 12, No. 5. Page 31.

Frank, Peter. *Still, Things Fall from the Sky*. Artweek. Review. February. Pages 15-16.

Glueck, Grace. *The New City: Sub/Urbia in Recent Photography*. New York Times. Review. January 6th. Page E34.

Knight, Christopher. *Forget 'isms' – Except Eclecticism*. Los Angeles Times. Feature. October 1st, Section E40.

Pollack, Barbara. *Happenstance*. Time Out New York. Review. January 5th-11th. Page 80.

Strodl, Kelly. *Collapse, Rise*. Huntington Beach Independent. Feature. October 5th. Section B1-B2.

No Author Noted. *Happenstance*. The New Yorker. Review. January 16th. Page 17.

2005

Aletti, Vince. *Amir Zaki. The Village Voice*. NYC Guide. April 20th-26th. Volume L, Number 16. Page 74.

Cotter, Holland. *Happenstance*. The New York Times. Review. December 30, 2005. Arts Section B37.

Frank, Peter. *Amir Zaki*. LA Weekly. Review: Pick of the Week. January 28 – February 3. Volume 27, Number 10. Page 138.

Isermann, Jim. *The Artists' Artists*. Artforum. Review: Best of 2005. December. Page 107.

Klara, Robert. *Domestic Anxiety*. Architecture Magazine. Review. November. Pages 32-33.

Muckenfuss, Mark. *A Big Step*. The Press Enterprise. Review. October 17th. Section D2.

Myers, Holly. *A Dramatic Gaze up at the Hilltop*. Los Angeles Times. Review. January 28th. Calendar Section. E24.

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- Ollman, Leah. *'Things Fall' but not Quite Together*. Los Angeles Times. Review. November 23rd. Section E24.
- Pogrebin, Robin. *Art/Architecture: The New City: Sub/Urbia in Recent Photography*. New York Times. Review. October 9th. Arts and Leisure section 2. Page 39.
- Rastignac. *Genuine Authentic*. Domus. October Issue #885. Page 36-37.
- Schwendener, Martha. *Amir Zaki*. Artforum.com. Review: Critic's Pick. April 10. Online at <http://artforum.com>.
- Tumlir, Jan. *Amir Zaki*. Artforum. Review. April. Page 195.
- Valentin, Jude. *Amir Zaki's Powerful Photos Adorn Chelsea*. New York Resident. Review. March 21. Page 42.
- Wood, Eve. *Amir Zaki*. Art Papers. Review. May/June. Page 55.
- Zellen, Jody. *Amir Zaki at the Mak Center and Roberts & Tilton*. Artweek. Review. April. Page 22.
- No Author Noted. *Seeing the Suburbs through a Different Lens*. Los Angeles Times. January 6th. Home Section – F2.
- No Author Noted. *Amir Zaki*. Institute of Contemporary Art, University of Pennsylvania. Curatorial Hot Picks. April. Online.
- No Author Noted. *Amir Zaki, Spring Through Winter*. Skuawk.com. April. Online.
- No Author Noted. *Amir Zaki: Spring Through Winter*. Artdaily.com. February. Online.
- No Author Noted. *Amir Zaki*. Art Scene Magazine. February. Online.
- No Author Noted. *Spring Through Winter*. Residential Architect Online. January/February Issue. Online.
- No Author Noted. *Amir Zaki: Spring Through Winter*. Los Angeles Times-Calendar Live Critics Picks. January 25th. Online.
- No Author Noted. *Amir Zaki: Roberts and Tilton*. Los Angeles Times-Calendar Live Critics Picks. January 25th. Online.
- No Author Noted. *Amir Zaki*. KCRW Public Radio: DnA-Design and Architecture. January 24th.
- No Author Noted. *Mak Center Opens Exhibit "Spring Through Winter"*. Beverly Press. Volume 15, Number 1. January 6th. Page 17.
- No Author Noted. *Amir Zaki*. Tank Magazine. Volume 3, Issue 12. Back Page.
- No Author Noted. *Spring Through Winter. Top Choices*. Blueprint Magazine. December-January. Back Page.
- No Author Noted. *Amir Zaki*. Museums Los Angeles. Volume 6, Number 2.
- No Author Noted. *Amir Zaki*. Architecture Week. Number 222.
- No Author Noted. *Amir Zaki: Spring Through Winter*. Idea Magazine. www.ideamagazine.net

2004

No Author Noted *Brown Constructions*. Miami New Times. November 12th.

2003

- Frank, Peter. *Amir Zaki*. LA Weekly. Review: Pick of the Week. January 31 – February 6. Page 117.
- Hackett, Regina. *Amir Zaki's photos of everyday scenes invite double takes*. The Seattle Post-Examiner. Review. January 10. Page 15.
- Miller, Jeffrey. *Age of Convenience: The Beauty of Monotony*. The Stranger. Review. January 16-22. Page 32.

2002

- Hoffman, Leslie. *Skewed Perspectives*. Pulp. Review. November 28th.
- McQuaid, Cate. *Modern Art's North Shore Exposure*. The Boston Globe. Review. March 28. Page D3

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Thomas, Mary. *Artist's Make their Own Reality in Digital Realism*. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette. December 7th. Section C-7.

2001

Hainley, Bruce. *Amir Zaki at Roberts and Tilton*. Artforum. Review. November. Page 151.

2000

Cooper, Jacqueline. *Amir Zaki at Roberts and Tilton*,. New Art Examiner. Review. September. Page 61-62

Hackett, Regina. *Amir Zaki*. Seattle Post-Intelligencer. Review, March 24. Page 22

Hall, Emily. *New Developments*. The Stranger. Review, March 23-29. Page 33

McGovern, Thomas. *Amir Zaki at Roberts and Tilton*. Artweek. Review. July/August. Page 85

Schubert, Lawrence. *Amir Zaki*. Flaunt. May. Page 52-53

Zellen, Jody. *Amir Zaki at Roberts and Tilton*. Art Press. Review. September. Page 68

No author noted. *Amir Zaki*. The New Yorker. June 5. Page 21.

1999

Chapman, Tenele. *DARK*. Highlander. Review, November 23rd. Volume 48, Issue 10. Section R-4.

1998

Hainley, Bruce. *Malibu Sex Party*. Artforum. Review, February. Page 98.

Hultrans, Andrew. *Surf and Turf*. Artforum. Feature, Summer. Page 134

Catalogs for Exhibitions

2008

Stallings, Tyler. *Truthiness: Photography as Sculpture*. California Museum of Photography. Riverside, CA. pp. 41-42

Wombell, Paul. *Utopia*. Photoespana 08, Museu Berardo. Lisbon, Portugal. Pages 192-211.

2007

Lopez, Michelle. *Exit Music (For a Film)*. Grimm/Rosenfeld. Munich, Germany. Includes an article and interview. Pages 87-90.

Krajewski, Sara. *Viewfinder*. Henry Art Gallery. Seattle, WA. Page 11.

2006

Armstrong, Elizabeth; Gonzalez, Rita; Moss, Karen, *California Biennial*. Orange County Museum of Art. Newport Beach, CA. Pages 35-45. Includes an additional article on my work by Jan Tumlir. Pages 168-171.

Wolfe, Ann. *Suburban Escape: The Art of California Sprawl*. San Jose Museum of Art. San Jose, CA. Page 82.

2005

Ennis, Ciara. *Still, Things Fall from the Sky*. California Museum of Photography. Riverside, CA. Page 2.

2002

Amir Zaki: Statements. Art Miami/Basel. Miami, FL. Pages 358-59.

Donaldson, Laura. *Caught*. Montserrat College of Art. Beverly, MA. Page 3-4.

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Awards and Grants

2005

James D. Phelan Art Award in Photography

Lectures

2010

Graduate Studio Visits, University of Washington, Seattle, WA. January 7th.

2009

Museum Walkthrough and Video Interview for the New Topographics Exhibition. November 8th. LACMA (Los Angeles County Museum of Art). Los Angeles, CA

2008

Artist Lecture. USC. Los Angeles, CA

Artist Lecture. Chapman University. Orange, CA

2007

Artist Lecture and Graduate Critiques. Yale University. New Haven, CT

Artist Lecture and Group Critique. University of Washington. Seattle, WA

Artist Lecture and Panel Discussion. Foundation for Art Resources (FAR). CalTrans building, Los Angeles, CA

2006

Artist Lecture. Art Center. Pasadena, CA

Artist Lecture. UCLA. Los Angeles, CA

Artist Lecture and Studio Visits. Claremont Graduate School. Claremont, CA

Artist Lecture and Studio Visits. San Francisco Art Institute. San Francisco, CA

Artist Lecture and Studio Visits. Cal Arts. Valencia, CA

Artist Lecture and Exhibition Walkthrough. Rio Hondo College Art Gallery. Whittier, CA

Artist Lecture. Otis College of Art and Design. Los Angeles, CA

Artist Lecture and Exhibition Walkthrough. Orange County Museum of Art. Newport Beach, CA

2005

Artist Lecture/Exhibition Walkthrough. Mak Center for Art and Architecture at the Schindler House. West Hollywood, CA.

Visiting Artist Panelist. SCIArc (Southern California Institute for Architecture). Los Angeles, CA.

Visiting Artist Panelist. California Museum of Photography. Riverside, CA

2003

Keynote Speaker. Society of Photographic Educators Northwest Conference. University of Washington. Seattle, WA.

2002

Keynote Speaker. Citizens University Committee Calender and Board Memebers. University of California, Riverside. Riverside, CA.

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Selected Public Collections

Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY
Henry Art Gallery, Seattle, WA
Orange County Museum of Art, Newport Beach, CA
Santa Barbara Museum of art, Santa Barbara, CA
Progressive Corporation, Mayfield Village, OH
New Museum of Contemporary Art, New York, NY
Microsoft, Redmond, WA
Madison Museum, Madison, WI
Nevada Museum of Art, NV

Education

1999 - Masters of Fine Arts - University of California, Los Angeles
1996 - Bachelors of Arts - University of California, Riverside

Teaching Positions

2002-present: Professor of Photography and Digital Technology - Art Department. University of California, Riverside.
2001-2002 Academic year: Lecturer of Photography - Art Department. University of California, Riverside.
2000-2001 Academic year: Lecturer of Photography - Art Department. University of California, Riverside.
1999-2000 Academic year: Lecturer of Photography - Art Department. University of California, Riverside.