



Bianca Batlle-Nguema

CV

Bianca's mother was sent from Equatorial Guinea to Spain in 1967, at the age of twelve, to study in Europe. Her name was Marina and she was a full citizen, since at that time Equatorial Guinea was a Spanish colony. Even so, Marina underwent that experience in a traumatic way: on the one hand, her estrangement from her home and family brought deep feelings of abandonment, uprooting and loneliness which she never really managed to get rid of. On the other, the prejudices of the white Spanish population about black people prevented her from feeling accepted, and she could never develop a true sense of belonging. She settled in Barcelona first and in Andorra later, and due to various circumstances she never returned to Africa. Over the years, she met a man from Barcelona with whom she had her daughter Bianca, and although Marina had a formidable story to tell, for her own reasons she never talked to anyone about her roots or about her youth away from Guinea; neither with her daughter.

In 2010, after Marina's death, Bianca embarked on a journey through art to discover her roots. Being a mixed-race woman is an essential part of her own discovery and search for her identity. For her, this is an incredible journey that continues to this day.

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HIGHER EDUCATION

1998-2000 EINA Centro Universitario de
 Diseño y Arte - Barcelona
 (=EINA University Center for Design & Art)

2000-2009 DaVinci-Escola d'Art - Barcelona
 (=DaVinci Art School)

2002 Ceramics workshop with José Delgao -
 Algarve, Portugal

2002 Studio of 'materic' painting and
 sculpture with Antonia Mesa -
 Granada, Spain

2022 studio of 'materic' painting, Lola Ballbé i
 Roger Cara, Empordà

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2023 Bodies Vibes – Bianca Nguema, Casa la Punxa, - Tiana, Barcelona
 2023 Non objectication- Nickie Robinson NY, Online exhibition
 2022 Her Soul Up Close, In Colour! - Dancing in la Mirada Feminina -
 Madlozy Art Gallery, Artsy.
 2021 Sobre *Speaking Bodies* - Espai Cultural Junts, Tiana, Barcelona.
 2021 Investesc Cape town Art fair- Madlozy Art Gallery, Cape town.
 2021 Speaking bodies – Madlozy Art Gallery, Artsy.
 2020 *Speaking Bodies* - Nickie Robinson NY, Online exhibition.
 2018 *Espacio a las Ancestras* (=Space to Ancestresses) - BlackBarcelona
 Festival - MACBA · Museum of Contemporary Art of Barcelona
 2018 *Mirades cap a Àfrica* (=Glances towards Africa) - Can Manyé - Alella,
 Barcelona
 2017 *Mirades cap a Àfrica* - Taller Tiana gallery - Tiana, Barcelona
 2016 *Open House* - Taller Tiana gallery - Tiana, Barcelona
 2013 *N'Bolas* (=Stark-Naked) - Mongat library - Montgat, Barcelona
 2012 *N'Bolas* – Casa la Punxa, - Tiana, Barcelona
 2012 *N'Bolas* - Cirera Espai d'Art gallery - El Born, Barcelona
 2012 *N'Bolas* - El Mirall restaurant - Manresa, Barcelona
 2010 *El amor locura* (=Crazy Healing Love) - Cirera Espai d'Art gallery - El
 Born, Barcelona
 2002 *Untitled* - DaVinci Art School - Barcelona

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2024 Arts, Minorities and Human Rights. Ecolint, Centre des Arts, Geneve,
 Swiss.
 2023 Minority artists working on Intersectionally Themes, Palais des
 Nations, Geneva, Swiss.
 2023 Black Barcelona, Periferias Cimarronas, Barcelona.
 2023 Inbody her, Madlozy Art Gallery, Latitudo, South Africa. Online.
 2023 The universe is Black, Novartis Art Gallery, New Jersey, United States.
 2023 Inbody her, Madlozy Art Gallery, Muholi Art Institute and Aspire Art,
 Cape Town. South Africa.

2022 SALON AFRICA, District Six Museum Benefit Auction, Madlozy Art Gallery. Artsy.
 2022 #FRESHPAINT – In Studio & ON the Easel with Contemporary Visual Artists Across the Diaspora- Madlozy Art Gallery. Artsy
 2022 SALON AFRICA' - Contemporary Painting Heads West to Celebrate Africa's Gold & Continental Coasts & Visual Cultures- Madlozy Art Gallery. Artsy
 2022 Tiana per la pau.- Espai cultural Junts per Tiana., Barcelona.
 2021 Investesc Cape town Art fair- Madlozy Art Gallery, Cape town.
 2021 Obsidiana- Madlozy Art Gallery. Artsy
 2021 Black Artist in a white world.- Online exhibition, Nickie Robinson, NY.
 2020 Healing - Biennial of Women in Visual Arts (BMAV20) - Rara Residencia Espacio de Arte gallery - Málaga, Spain
 2020 Healing - With María Bueno & Julia Cabrera - MAV - Online exhibition
 2019 Art Garden Market - Tiana, Barcelona
 2019 L'Alegria (=The Joy) - Casal de Tiana gallery - Tiana, Barcelona
 2018 Black Sherries Month - Ugly Duck - London, UK
 2018 Artbox Project - New York, NY, USA
 2018 Art Garden Market - Barcelona
 2017 Art Garden Market - Barcelona
 2016 Casa de la Punxa (= 'Punxa' House) CATERVA Group - Barcelona
 2015 Casa de la Punxa - CATERVA Group - Barcelona
 2002-2005 Several group exhibitions - DaVinci School of Art - Barcelona

Awards and residencies.

2023 **First Award of the Interantional Art Contest 2023: Celebrating Minority Artists**, from The United Nations Human Rights(OHCHR), Freemuse and Minority Rights Group International (MRG).
 2023 Artist in Residence in the Muholi Art Institute.

PERFORMANCES & URBAN ART

2023 Mural Strength Xi , Teatre Periferias Cimarronas, Sants, Barcelona
 2021 Performance Blues in the Dark with Gemma Abrié - Pau Casals gallery - Mongat, Barcelona
 2019 Performance Live Painting - Festival FEM! - CCCB · Center of Contemporary Culture of Barcelona & Idees.cat magazine
 2019 Performance Brossa 100 · Centenari Joan Brossa - Segarra theater - Santa Coloma de Gramenet, Barcelona
 2019 Wall painting Black Magic Woman - Municipal School of Music & Dance - Tiana, Barcelona
 2019 Performance D'Acords Cycle with Gemma Abrié - Can Riera gallery - Tiana, Barcelona
 2018 Performance Live Painting - 'Conciencia Afro' festival - Matadero Cultural Center - Madrid
 2018 Performance Maio de Sal - Can Manyé gallery - Alella, Barcelona
 2018 Performance Blues in the Dark with Gemma Abrié - Can Manyé gallery - Alella, Barcelona
 2017 Performance Ladie bolids - Taller Tiana gallery - Tiana, Barcelona
 2017 Wall painting 'Ciutat Vella' Association - El Born, Barcelona
 2016 Wall painting Bina - Open Sky Museum - Tiana, Barcelona
 2016 Performance Pinten Bastos - Casal de Tiana gallery - Tiana, Barcelona

ARTICLES & INTERVIEWS

2023 L'Oficina de Drets Humans de les Nacions Unides premia l'art de la Bianca Batlle Nguema. (The United Nations Human Rights Office rewards the art of Bianca Batlle Nguema
<https://llocal.tianat.cat/lalt-comissariat-de-les-nacions-unides-per-als-drets-humans-premia-lart-de-la-bianca-batlle-nguema/>
 2023 **International Art Contest celebrates minority artists work**
<https://www.ohchr.org/en/stories/2023/11/international-art-contest-celebrates-minority-artists-work>
 2023 Bianca Batlle-Nguema announces new exhibition «Non Objectification»
<https://www.urbanmag-online.com/bianca-batlle-nguema-announces-new-exhibition-non-objectification/>
 2022 Bianca Batlle Nguema , L'Altre mirada, Fibracattv
<https://youtu.be/xogKFOBuvY>
 2022 “ L'art, l'últim reducte del cos nu” TV3 , Quan arribin els marcians- TV3 Barcelona.

- (<https://www.ccma.cat/tv3/alcanta/quan-arribin-els-marcians/lart-lultim-reducte-del-cos-nu/video/6140584/>)
- 2021 "[Bianca Batlle Nguema](#)" Punts de Vista La2 Cataluña. Gemma Esteve.
(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zgfbgym2ozQ&t=65s>)
- 2021 ""[Bianca Nguema](#)" Urban Magazine, Nickie Robinson.
- 2021 "[La Bianca Nguema pinta per retrobar-se a ella i reivindicar a la dona negra](#)" (=Bianca Nguema paints to find herself and reclaim black women) - Tres60 tv show - Badalona TV
- 2020 "[El Arte que se reinventó en la pandemia](#)" (=Art that reinvented itself during the pandemic) - *Diario Sur* newspaper, Cristina Pinto
- 2020 "[¿Conoces el proyecto Healing?](#)" (=Do you know the 'Healing' project?) - *Afroféminas* online magazine
- 2020 "[Healing](#)" - *M-Arte y Cultura Visual* online magazine
- 2020 "[Visual Artist Bianca Batlle-Nguema Presents Speaking Bodies on Facebook](#)" - GoodGirlPR Blog , Nickie Robinson
- 2020 "[Art & Drinks with @nguema_bianca](#)" - Sugarcane Magazine Black Art & Black Culture IGTV
- 2020 "[FEM! Creadores feministes d'avui](#)" (=FEM! Feminist nowadays creators) - *Idees.cat* magazine
- 2019 "[Festival FEM! en el CCCB](#)" - Blog of the CCCB · Center of Contemporary Culture of Barcelona
- 2019 "[Btoy i Bianca Batlle Nguema: dues dones que pinten molt](#)" (=Btoy & Bianca Batlle-Nguema, two women that paint a lot) - Àrtic tv show - Barcelona TV
- 2019 "[My Roots Through Art by Bianca Batlle-Nguema](#)" - *In Her Studio* online magazine
- 2019 "[Artistas Afrodescendientes: la importancia de tener espejos](#)" (=Afro-descendant artists: the importance of having mirrors) - *Pikara* online magazine, Lucía Mbomío
- 2019 "[Bianca Batlle en estat pur](#)" (=Bianca Batlle in her pure state) - *La Local* online magazine, Alèxia Guilera
- 2019 "[Behindthetory, con Bianca Batlle](#)" - *Calma House* online magazine
- 2019 "African-Spanish painter Bianca Batlle-Nguema talks about her inspirations and heritage in her artwork" - DOPECAUSEWESAIID online magazine, Naima Karp
- 2018 "[La mirada desafiante de la Novicia](#)" (=The defiant Novice's glance) - *La Local* online magazine, Marta López
- 2018 "[El blanco no es un color](#)" (=White is not a color) - *El País* newspaper, Estrella de Diego
- 2018 "[Bianca Batlle-Nguema en el muro Agricultura](#)" (=Bianca Batlle-Nguema at the 'Agricultura' wall) - Blog *Evalop Graffitis*
- 2018 "[Bianca Batlle-Nguema a les Jornades del Dia Internacional de les Dones](#)" (Bianca Batlle-Nguema at the International Women's day) - *Alella* magazine
- 2017 "[Parlem amb la pintora Bianca Batlle-Nguema](#)" (=Speaking with painter Bianca Batlle-Nguema) - *Badalona TV*
- 2017 "[El Sol Dos obre les portes, amb Bianca Batlle i Míriam Pons](#)" (=The 'Sol Dos' opens its doors, with Bianca Batlle & Míriam Pons) - *La Local* online magazine, Martí Francàs
- 2016 "[Sobre l'expo N'bolos](#)" (=About the 'Stark-Naked' exhibition) - *Le Cool Barcelona* online magazine

COLLECTIONS

Paintings in private collections in Barcelona & Madrid, Spain; Geneva (Switzerland), London, UK; Montpellier (France); New York, NY, New Jersey, NJ and, North Carolina, Atlanta, GE, USA, Guinea Equatorial, Nigeria, South Africa...