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### Education

- 2017-18** Royal Institute of Art, Stockholm: Postgraduate studies  
**1991** University of Industrial Arts, Helsinki: Design Leadership (Nordplus scholarship)  
**1990-91** University of Stockholm: philosophy and aesthetics  
**1989-90** Cranbrook Academy of Art, USA: Graduate studies, Sculpture  
**1986-91** Konstfack, University College of Art, Crafts and Design, Stockholm: MFA in Sculpture  
**1984-87** Konstfack, University College of Art, Crafts and Design, Stockholm: BA in Art Education

### Solo shows

- 2023** BAS konsthall, Barkaby, Sweden, Curator: Abir Boukhari  
**2022** Rikstolvan, Simrishamn, Sweden,  
**2021** Cecilia Hillström Gallery, Stockholm, Sweden  
Bohusläns Museum, GIBCA Extended, Uddevalla, Sweden  
**2020** Gallery 21, Malmö, Sweden  
**2019** Gävle Konstcentrum, Sweden  
**2018** Norrtälje konsthall, Sweden  
Cecilia Hillström Gallery, Stockholm, Sweden  
**2017** Museu de Arte Moderna, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Curator: Fernando Cocchiarale  
**2016** Järnboås Kyrka, Sweden, Curator: Kia Kulander  
**2015** Konstnärshuset, Stockholm, Sweden, Curator: Celia Prado  
**2013** Cecilia Hillström Gallery, Stockholm, Sweden  
**2012** Stene Projects, Stockholm, Sweden  
**2011** Konsthandeln, Stockholm, Sweden  
**2010** MAP, Mobile Art production, Stockholm, Curator: Magdalena Malm  
Galleri Flach + Thulin, Stockholm, Sweden  
**2008** St. Jacobs church, Stockholm, Sweden, Curator: Eva Asp  
**2007** Brändström & Stene Gallery, Stockholm, Sweden  
**2005** Vox/Historiska Museet, Stockholm, Sweden, Curator: Celia Prado  
Röda Sten, Göteborg, Sweden  
Kulturhuset K1, Stockholm, Sweden, Curators: CuratorLab  
**2003** Galerie im Taxispalais, Innsbruck, Austria  
BildMuseet, Umeå, Sweden  
Dunkers Kulturhus, Helsingborg, Sweden  
Gallery 21, Malmö, Sweden  
**2002** Index -The Swedish Contemporary Art Foundation, Stockholm  
**2001** Baltic Art Center, Visby, Sweden  
**2000** Gallery Kari Kenetti, Helsinki, Finland  
Gallery 21, Malmö, Sweden  
Gallery Index, Stockholm, Sweden  
Uppsala Art Museum, Uppsala, Sweden  
**1999** Gallery Kari Kenetti, Helsinki, Finland  
**1997** Gallery Index, Stockholm, Sweden  
**1996** Gallery Enkehuset, Stockholm, Sweden with Mikael Lindgren,

### Public art commissions

- 2021** Youth psychiatric clinic, Uppsala Region, Sweden Public commission in 10 storefront windows with sound.  
**2019-** New Building Annex, Malmö Hospital, Malmö, Sweden  
**2018** New Karolinska Hospital, Sweden: Public commission in Hospital corridor, Commissioner: Martin West  
**2015-17** New Karolinska Hospital, Sweden: Public commission in 4 Radiation rooms, Commissioner: Martin West  
**2014** Uppsala Cathedral, Sweden, Public Art in cathedral, Curator: Eva Asp  
**2010** MAP, Mobile Art production, Public Art in Bank, Stockholm, Commissioner: Magdalena Malm  
**1993** Statens konstråd, Sweden: "Swedish Weapons" Commissioner: Veronica Nygren

### Group shows

- 2023** "Tables in Umu Madu", Ekran i Artit, Albania, Curator: Edi Muka  
**2023** "Liberian time", Festival d'art vidéo Casablanca, Morocco, Curator: Abir Boukhari  
**2022** "Into Uncertain Present", Tunisia, Barcelona, Stockholm, Curator: Abir Boukhari  
**2019** Cité Internationale des Arts, Open Studios, Paris, France  
"Video Vortex 19", Malta, Curator: Dr. Adnan Hadzi  
**2017** "Deep Memory", Kalmar Konstmuseum, Sweden, Curators: Breeze Yoko & Joanna Sandell  
Loop Barcelona, main selection, Spain, curator: Antonella Medici  
**2016** "Ways of Seeing...", Museo Pretos Novos, Rio de Janeiro with Isabel Löfgren & Patricia Gouvea  
**2015** Madrid, Stockholm, New York, "Valija Diplomática", Curator: Nilo Casares  
**2014** Uppsala Cathedral, Sweden, "Himlen är Här", Curator: Eva Asp  
Moderna Bar, Moderna Museet, Stockholm, Sweden, "Radio Ö"  
Monastério Zen, Ibirapu, Brazil  
**2013** Sofia kyrka, "Ytspänning", Curator: Kerstin Lord  
**2011** In Focus Africa at Supermarket, Stockholm, Sweden. Curator: Eva-Lotta Flach  
**2010** MAP, Mobile Art production, "Streetview", Göteborg, Curator: Magdalena Malm  
**2009** Göteborg International Biennial for Contemporary Art, Sweden, Curators: C Prado & J Pousette  
Docs A Tunis, Tunisie; MUCK, Movies of Unkonmon Knowledge, Toronto, Canada

- Nordiskt Panorama, Reykjavik, Island; Kingdomwood filmfestival, Atlanta, USA  
 Museum of African American History, Detroit, USA,  
 Bamako Biennale 2009, Centre Culturel Francais, Bamako, Mali
- 2008** DIFF, Dubai International Film festival, Dubai, United Arab Emirates
- 2007** Göteborg International Biennial for Contemporary Art, Sweden, Curators: Edi Muka & Joa Ljungberg
- 2006** Moderna Museet, Stockholm, Sweden, Curators: M Malm, P Kristoffersson & J P Nilsson  
 Filmform, "Hit the North" Various locations world-wide, curators: Anna Linder & Gunnel Pettersson
- 2005** National Centre for Contemporary Art, Moscow. Curators: Umanski, Tchesnokova & Benzaquem
- 2004** Criss-cross, Nordic and Baltic film, NIFCA, Various locations world-wide, Curators: Thierry Jousse, Åsa Nacking, Cristina Ricupero, Mats Stjernstedt and Cilla Werning Vestfossens  
 Kunstlaboratorium, Oslo, Norway, "Tusenfyrd" Curator: Göran Green
- 2003** The new Contemporary Arts Center, Cincinnati, USA, Curator: Thomas Collins  
 Rooseum, Malmö, Sweden: "De Bortbjudna – Malmö Konstmuseum g\_star Rooseum"  
 Bergen Kunsthall, Norway, Curator: Bo Krister Wallström  
 Danish Film Institute, Copenhagen, Denmark: European Film & Video Art
- 2002** Charlottenborg, Denmark: "Fundamentalisms of the New Order", Curators: Larsen, Brandt, Ricupero
- 2001** Nederlands Foto Instituut/ Rotterdam Film Festival, The Netherlands, Curator: Frits Gierstberg  
 PS 1 Contemporary Art Center, NY: "Uniform. Order and Disorder", Curator Francesco Bonami  
 Yokohama Triennale, Japan, Curator: Shinji Komoto  
 Le mois de la Photo à Montréal, Canada: "Projects for a Revolution" Curator: Jan-Erik Lundström  
 Gloucester Cathedral, Gloucester, England, Curator: Göran Green
- 2000** Cranbrook Museum, USA: "Agitated Histories", Curator: Irene Hofmann  
 Liljevalchs Art Center, Sweden: "CRAC, Creative Room for Art and Computing"  
 Danish Film Institute, Art & Documentary Film festival: "Crossing Boundaries", Copenhagen
- 1999** Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago: "Unfinished History", Curator: Francesco Bonami  
 All India Arts Foundation, New Delhi: "Laterna Nordica", Curator: Göran Green  
 Gallery 21, Malmö, Sweden: "Rörelse"
- 1998** Walker Art Center, Minneapolis: "Unfinished History", Curator: Francesco Bonami / Douglas Fogle  
 Gallery 21, Malmö, Sweden: "Skyltfönster"  
 Stockholm Cultural Capital of Europe -98, "Seklets Spegel": Video installation  
 Stockholm Cultural Capital of Europe -98, "Enter", Curator: Johan Abrahamsson
- 1997** Musée de l'Art Moderne de la ville de Paris: "Delta", Curator: Francesco Bonami  
 Kalmar Art Museum, Sweden: "Ny nordisk konst i moderna bildmedia", Curator: Erik Broman
- 1996** Färgfabriken, Stockholm: "Vox Humana", Curator: Jan Åman  
 Nordic Art Center, Helsinki: "Breaking Eyes", Curator: Tapio Makela
- 1995** Tidsvåg Noll, Gothenburg, Sweden: "Vox Humana", installation  
 Stockholm Art Fair: "Ana Logos" (Special exhibition) Curator: Elisabeth Haitto
- 1993** Venice Biennale, Italy, Curators: "Electronic Café International"

#### Grants

- 2023** 1 Shanti Road Gallery Residency, Bangalore, India
- 2019** Royal Art Academy at Cité Internationale des Arts, Paris, France
- 2018-19** Konstnärsnämnden, Sweden: 2 year work grant
- 2010-15** Konstnärsnämnden, Sweden: 5 year work grant
- 2012** Swedish Film Institute, Sweden: Prerelease funding for documentary film
- 2011** Konstnärsnämnden production grant
- 2005-10** Konstnärsnämnden, Sweden: 5 year work grant
- 2007** Swedish Film Institute, Sweden: Prerelease funding for documentary film
- 2007** Swedish Television, Sweden: Support for documentary film
- 2006** Swedish Film Institute, Sweden: Support for script development  
 Filmform, Sweden: Filmform annual award in experimental film & video art
- 2005** Swedish Television, Sweden: Support for documentary film
- 2002-03** IASPIS, Sweden, Residency
- 2001-02** Konstnärsnämnden, Sweden: 2 year work grant  
 IASPIS, Sweden: Support for exhibition at Yokohama Triennale
- 1998** IASPIS, Sweden: Support for exhibition at Walker Art Center / MCI in USA
- 1997-98** IASPIS, Sweden: Support for exhibition in Paris and Helsinki
- 1996** Konstnärsnämnden, Sweden: Project support  
 Konstnärsnämnden, Sweden: Work grant
- 1991** Nordplus, for studies in Finland  
 Helge Axelson- Johnsson Work grant
- 1990** American- Scandinavian Foundation, Thord Grey Memorial Scholarship  
 Pindar National Juried Competition N.Y., Second Prize Winner

#### Filmography

- 2023** A Pan-African Mission
- 2008** Black Nation (60' and 90')

#### Reviews and articles (selected)

- 2023** [Magnus Bons, "Mats Hjelm på Bas konsthall" konsten.net Sweden 04 Nov 2023](#)
- 2021** [Milou Allerholm "Videoinstallation med formmässigt säkra..." Dagens Nyheter 24 Nov 2021](#)  
[Masha Taavoniku "Mats Hjelm på Cecilia Hillström..." konsten.net, Sweden 29 Nov, 2021](#)  
[Carolina Söderholm, "När vardagen tippas över..." Sydsvenskan, Sweden 8 feb, 2020](#)
- 2020** [Thomas Olsson, "Vacker resa över oceaner..." Svenska Dagbladet, Sweden 27 feb, 2019](#)
- 2019** [Magnus Bons, "Hjelm tvinnar en tät..." Dagens Nyheter, Sweden, 31 Jan, 2019](#)  
 Margaretha Levin Blekastad, "Rikedom och slaveri..." Norrtelje Tidning, Sweden, 25 Jan, 2019
- 2018** [Kristoffer Grip, "Mats Hjelm på Cecilia Hillström" konsten.net, Sweden, 15 Dec, 2018](#)
- 2017** [Zean Bravo, "Paises de Africa..." O Globo, Brazil, 27 Jul, 2017](#)
- 2015** [Karsten Thurfjell, "Mats Hjelm visar..." Kulturradion, Sweden, 27 Oct, 2015](#)  
[Birgitta Rubin, "Filmverk om Ebola..." Dagens Nyheter, Sweden, 12 Nov, 2015](#)

- Brainard Carey, "Mats Hjelm..." *Yale University Radio, USA*, 31 Oct, 2015  
 Birgitta Rubin, "Vems röst..." *Dagens Nyheter, Sweden*, 19 Nov, 2015  
 Maryam Fanni, "Mats Hjelm på..." *konsten.net, Sweden*, 2 Nov, 2015
- 2013** Cecilia Blomberg, "Mats Hjelm, Taste of..." *Kulturradion, Sweden*, 8 Oct, 2013
- 2010** Maria Lantz "Vackert vardagsliv..." *Dagens Nyheter, Sweden*, 28 Jan 2010  
 Sara Ullberg "Hemligt på Banken..." *Dagens Nyheter, Sweden*, 12 Jan 2010  
 Anna Ångström "Barnslighet under kostymen" *Svenska Dagbladet, Sweden*, Jan 15 2010  
 Kulturnyheterna and ABC SVT, about project for MAP, Sweden Jan 13, 2010  
 Sara Ullberg "Hemligt på Banken" *Dagens Nyheter, Sweden*, Jan 12, 2010
- 2008** Kulturnyheterna SVT, about project in S:t Jacobs church, Sweden Nov 20, 2008
- 2006** Sinziana Ravini "Neokoloniala Mönster..." *Glänta, Sweden*, no 3, 2006
- 2005** Clemens Poellinger "Samtid på Historiska..." *Svenska Dagbladet, SE*, 30 April 2005  
 Milou Allerholm "En politisk röst..." *Dagens Nyheter, Sweden*, 7 May 2005  
 Kim West "Om en apokalyptisk ton..." *U-N-I-O-N, Sweden*, 2 - 2005  
 Nils Forsberg, "...och början på en ny", *Expressen, Sweden*, 11 May 2005
- 2003** Conny C-A Malmqvist, "Med ett befriande Allvar", *Kvällsposten, Sweden*, 18 Dec 2003  
 Jelena Zetterström, "Stilsäker bildpoesi", *Sydsvenskan, Sweden*, 16 Dec 2003  
 Birgitta Rubin, "Jag har skapat..." *Dagens Nyheter, Sweden*, 13 Sept 2003  
 Anders Sjögren, "Fadern, sonen och..." *Västerbottens-kuriren, Sweden*, 12 Sept 2003  
 Martin Schibli, "Är vi bara fångar..." *Helsingborgs Dagblad, Sweden*, 6 March 2003  
 Florian Pumhösl "Mats Hjelm: Trilogie" *Springerin, Austria*, 1 March 2003
- 2002** Lars O Ericsson "Ett fullbordat farväl..." *Dagens Nyheter, Sweden*, 31 Aug 2002
- 2001** Henry Lehmann "Videos pushing stills..." *The Gazette, Canada* 15 Sept 2001  
 Jérôme Delgado "Pas de révolution" *La Presse, Canada* 15 Oct 2001  
 Jean-Claude Rochefort "Un potentiel révolutionnaire..." *Le Devoir, Canada*, 23 Sept 2001  
 Lars O Ericsson "Konsten att stjäla en film" *Dagens Nyheter, Sweden*, 14 Feb 2001
- 2000** Leena Honkavaara, "Kuvia ja väkivaltaa isältä..." *Helsingin Sanomat, Finland*, 21 Dec 2000  
 Ingela Lind, "Mats Hjelms..." *Dagens Nyheter, Sweden*, 16 Sept 2000  
 Lars O Ericsson, "Konstens betraktare..." *Dagens Nyheter, Sweden* 16 Sept 2000  
 Fred Andersson, "Ett Kusligt..." *Svenska Dagbladet, Sweden* 16 Sept 2000
- 1999** Francesco Bonami, "Mats Hjelm", *Flash Art, Italy*, Mars - April 1999  
 Michelle Grabner, "Unfinished History" *Frieze, England*, May 1999
- 1998** Sussanne Skog, "Stålblanka termer", *Dagens Nyheter, Sweden*, 19 June 1998  
 Laurent Goumarre, "Delta", *Art Press, France*, February 1998
- 1997** Philippe Réginer, "La fin des certitudes..." *Journal des Artes, France*, December 1997  
 Lars O Ericsson, "Minerad historia" *Dagens Nyheter, Sweden*, 27 September 1997  
 Daniel Birnbaum, "Genom Vindrutan", *Dagens Nyheter, Sweden*, 11 April 1997  
 Agnete Nordenankar, "Slingrig Filmkonst" *Dagens Nyheter, Sweden*, 4 April 1997

#### Collections

Museu de Arte Moderna, Rio de Janeiro, Moderna Museet, Malmö Art Museum, Uppsala Art Museum, Borås Art Museum and Statens Konstråd. Private collections in Sweden, Finland, France, The Netherlands and USA.

#### Gallery Representation

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