

## **OZGUN KILIC AFSAR**

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# Areas of Interest

• Interaction & Experience Design

• Material-Driven Design (Human-Material Interaction)

• Tangible UI & Wearable Computing & Soft Robotics

• Affective Psychology & Neuroscience

• Mechanics & Electronics & Sensors (Human-Machine Interaction)

• Computational Design

• Manufacturing & Fabrication & Craftsmanship

# Educational Background

Fall 2013 - Summer 2015 Royal College of Art, London, UK

School of Communication

MA Information Experience Design (2-years)

Fall 2012 - Fall 2013 Royal College of Art, London, UK

School of Communication MA Animation (1-year)

Fall 2007 - Spring 2011 Sabanci University, Istanbul, TURKEY

Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences

BA in Visual Arts and Visual Communication Design with Honor Minor Degree in Art Theory and Criticism

Summer 2010 Central Saint Martins, London, UK

Short Courses(Summer)

Photography, Art & Architecture3D Modelling & Visualisation

Fall 2003 - Spring 2007 Robert College, Istanbul, TURKEY

Highschool Education

# **Exhibitions & Press**

#### **Exhibitions**

Fall 2018 "Harlequin", Screening at Visual Art Week 2018, Mexico City, November 29- Dec.3,

Mexico City, Mexico

Spring 2017 "Lux-Motives", Milan Design Week 2017, Ventura Lambrate Spazio XV, In-Motion

Group Exhibition, April 4-9, Milan, Italy

Spring 2016 Pneumatic Nomadic, Mamut Art Project 2016, Kucuk Ciftlik Park, Istanbul, Turkey

Fall 2015 "Floe: A Kinetic Glass Sculpture", Nov. 2015, Arts+Bits Festival, Katowice, Poland

Summer 2015 Pneumatic Nomadic, Royal College of Art Grad Show 15, June 2015, London,

United Kingdom

Fall 2015 Wissmuth (White Mass), Royal College of Art WIP Show 15, Feb. 2-8, London,

United Kingdom

Fall 2014 Traditional Puppet Exhibition at Light Festival at National Institute of Design, Oct.

17-20, Ahmedabad, India

Summer 2013 Floe: A Kinetic Glass Sculpture, ArtFutura 2013 Publication & Screening,

12 countries across the world

Spring 2013 Floe: A Kinetic Glass Sculpture, QEPrize (Queen Elizabeth Prize Honorary Exhibition)

June 25, Tate Modern, London, United Kingdom

Fall 2012 "Delete", TodaysArt Festival: Commons Tense, New Media Arts from Turkey by

AmberPlatform, Sep. 13-20, Elektriciteitsfabriek, Den Haag, Netherlands

Fall 2011 "MICROFIELDS", AmberFest'11 Art and Technology Festival, Next Ecology, Tutun

Deposu, Istanbul, Turkey, Nov. 4-13

Spring 2011 "SPARKS" Digital Media Student Exhibition, Sabanci University, FASSART Gallery,

Istanbul, Turkey, March 14 – April 1

"SPARKS" Digital Media/Art Exhibition, Praxis Space Institute of Contemporary Arts Singapore, April 8 – 18

(mixed media artwork of mine given as a present to Head of Art & Design

Department)

Fall 2010 Moons and Stars Young Photographers Award Ceremony & Exhibition Fotografevi,

Istanbul, Turkey, November 27 - December 3

VACD Student Works Exhibiton: flow/DEBİ, Kasa Gallery, Minervahan, Istanbul,

Turkey, October 21 – December 20

Photokina Art Fair 2010, Academy Meets Photokina Cologne, Germany,

October 21 - 26

Summer 2010 Annual Student Exhibition/Show at Central Saint Martins, Holborn Building,

London, United Kingdom, August 6 - 7

Fall 2009 VACD Student Works Exhibiton: 19th TUYAP Exhibition, TUYAP, Istanbul, Turkey,

October 31 - November 9

VACD Student Works Exhibiton: Digital and Photographic Imaging, Sabanci Uni.,

FASSART Gallery, Istanbul, Turkey, February 15 – 27

## Press

• Press Release, Lux-Motive, Milan Designweek Report, 2017

• Artist Profile & Interview, Bloomberg Businessweek Turkey, August 2016

• Design Indaba, interview & full article on *Pneumatic Nomadic*, "Audio Sculptures that modify your perception of the world", July 13, 2015

 ArtFutura, 2013 Catalogue, Floe: A Kinetic Glass Sculpture featured in "Feeding The Web" issue, Summer 2013

• Artist Profile & Interview, Klokmag, Winter Issue, 2014

# Workshops

#### Conductor

Spring 2019 Robotic Wireless Materials & Soma Workshop, Royal Institute of Technology, February 14, SE

Fall 2018 Soma Design & Sensing Workshop, University of Nottingham/Mixed Reality Lab, Dec. 3-5, UK

Fall 2018 Soma Design Workshop, Amsterdam University of Applied Sciences, Nov. 13-15, NL
Fall 2015 Making of Floe Workshop conductor, Ockendon Academy, April 8-9, London, UK
Fall 2013 Across RCA, "Levitate" motion tracking workshop conductor, Oct. 13-17, London, UK
Fall 2013 Puppet Making Workshop Conductor & Light Festival, National Institute of Art India,

Sep.24 - Oct.10, Ahmedabad, India

**Participant** 

Spring 2019 E-Textiles Workshop, TUDelft Research Through Design Conference, Mar. 19-22, NL

Spring 2012 "Cabinet of Curiosities" Workshop by MIT Media Lab, Bahcesehir University, Istanbul, Turkey

Fall 2010 Video Mapping Workshop with Nota Bene & VVVV Workshop with Andrej Boleslavsky

AmberFest'10, Datacity, Sanat Limani, Istanbul, Turkey, Nov. 11-12

Summer 2009 SEEDS Iceland, Renovation Camp

Bildudalur, Iceland, July 10 – Aug. 6

# Work Experience

Oct. 2018 - ... Researcher at Mediated IxD, Royal Institute of Technology, Stockholm/Sweden

Oct. 2017 - Oct. 2018 IX & UX Designer at Cell-Free Tech Ltd. & Open Cell, London/UK

Summer 2017 Art Director at ISTANBUL74, Istanbul/TURKEY

Fall 2016 BMW Live & Tate Modern, Augmented Reality Book visual graphics & illustration

London/UK

Fall 2015 – 2016 Yamaha Design Studio London & RCA, Design Research, London/UK
Feb. 2015 – Mar. 2015 Commissioned by Ideal Standard, Research Data Visulisation, London/UK

Spring 2014 Studio-X Istanbul, Curation & Exhibition Design, Istanbul/Turkey

Fall 2014 – 2016 Co-founder & Designer at BittiGitti Arts & Crafts Studio, Istanbul/TURKEY

### Teaching Experience

Spring 2019 - ... Teaching Assistant, Interaction Design As a Reflective Practice (Masters), Royal Institute of Technology, SE

Spring 2019 - ... Teaching Assistant, Design Methods (Masters), Royal Institute of Technology, SE

Fall 2018 - ... Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Human Computer Interaction (BSc), Royal Institute of Technology, SE

#### Achievements & Awards

• Best Paper Award, DIS'18, Towards Materials for Computational Heirlooms. Concept Design

• Honorary Mention, Queen Elizabeth Prize for Engineering, Tate Modern, June 2013

• 15th place in Maths&Sciences, 91st place in the overall out of 1.6 million people at the nation-wide University Entrance Exams (OSYM), Turkey, 2007

 Recipient of Sabanci University Excellence Merit Metin Sabanci Scholarship (Fall 2007 – Spring 2011)

#### Skills

Languages Turkish (native)

English (fluent)

German (intermediate) Swedish (basic)

Software Experience MS Office Suite

Adobe Master Suite Final Cut Pro X Webflow

3D Modelling & Animation 3D Studio Max Autodesk Maya Cinema 4D

Rhino/Grasshopper

Houdini RealFlow Arnold, Octane

Sound Design & Ableton Live, Sound Forge Pro,

Composition Sony Acid Pro

Coding Skills Processing, Arduino, Max/MSP Xcode, openFrameworks, Python

## Other Activities & Interests

- Neuroscience, neuroaesthetics, sound therapy, acoustic ecology studies
- Mindfullness, Zen Meditation, Wabi-Sabi
- Travelling & Collecting
- Board games, strategy games
- Professional classical guitar player (16 years), Digital Sound Production
- Lindy Hop, Yoga, Kite-surfing, Hiking, Wandering & Mind-wandering