

HERITIER BILAKA

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Education and training

First Aid and Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation Certificate (Standard First Aid CPR / AED), Ottawa, Canada	2024
Bachelor's in visual art (Magna Cum Laude). University of Ottawa, Canada.	2023
Training in Animation. La Cité Collégiale, Ottawa, Canada.	2019
Diploma in Fine Arts. Académie des Beaux-Arts Art, Kinshasa, DRC.	2007
Secondary diploma. Collège Saint Alphonse, Kinshasa, RDC	2003

Group exhibitions

<i>Toronto outdoor Art Fair: Online</i>	2025
<i>Racine: Mosaïque Interculturelle.</i> Ottawa, Canada	2025
<i>Crépu our DNA Extended:</i> University of Carlton Art gallery, Ottawa, Canada	2025
<i>A Transit Through Time:</i> Union Station, Toronto, Canada	2025
<i>Black Art Fair:</i> Nia Centre for The Arts, Toronto, Canada	2024

<i>Sharing our Stories; Sharing our Lives:</i> Arbor Gallery, Vankleek hill ON, Canada	2024
<i>Mémoire Végétales :</i> Maison de la Culture Claude-Léveillé, Montreal QC, Canada	2023
<i>Mapping Reality:</i> Culturally Arts Collective, Washington, DC. USA	2023
<i>Peinture fraîche et nouvelle construction :</i> Art Mûr Gallery, Montréal QC, Canada.	2023
<i>Give to get Art Auction:</i> Ottawa Art Gallery, Ottawa, Canada.	2022, 2023, 2025
<i>Broken Mirrors:</i> Culturally Arts Collective, Washington, DC. USA	2022
<i>Oppositions:</i> The Holy Art Gallery, London, UK.	2022
<i>How I love You:</i> Ottawa Arts Gallery-Annex, Canada	2022
<i>Art + Parcel:</i> Ottawa Arts Gallery-Annex, Canada	2021
<i>Exposition de Noël :</i> La Fab Arts Center, Chelsea Québec, Canada	2019
<i>Colourful Energy:</i> Artusiasm Arts Gallery, Toronto ON, Canada	2018
<i>Juried Art Show:</i> PineRidge Arts Council, Ajax ON, Canada	2017, 2018

Biennale

Af-flux Biennale Black Transnational. Montréal QC. Canada	2023-2022
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Artist in Residence

Beaverbrook Art Gallery. New Brunswick, Canada	2023
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Public Art Project

Make a Room: Osmington (Union Station) Inc. Toronto ON, Canada	2025
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Vanier Traffic Signal Box Embellishment Project Ottawa ON, Canada	2020
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Awards and Grants

Congo Excellence Award: Arts. House of Commons. Ottawa, Canada	2025
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Award of Excellence: Future Makers Young Alumni. University of Ottawa, Canada.	2025
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Laura Ciruls Painting Award. Ontario Arts Foundation, Toronto Canada	2024
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Research and creation Grant. Ontario Arts Council. Toronto, Canada	2024
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Research and creation Grant. Ottawa Arts Council, Ottawa, Canada	2024
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Seed Prize: Equity and inclusion Funds in arts – City of Ottawa	2023
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Frist prize Ex aequo visual arts painting scholarship: Edmund and Isobel Ryan University of Ottawa, Canada	2023
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Gaston Héon Memorial Fund in Arts-Merit. University of Ottawa, Canada	2022
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Research and creation Grant. Ontario Arts Council, Toronto, Canada	2022
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First prize Cartoon competition. African Union. Addis-Abeba, Ethiopia.	2013
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Festivals

<i>Art Mobile:</i> Montreal en Arts Festival, Montreal QC, Canada	2021, 2022
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<i>Inspired by Mandela.</i> AfroMusée, Montréal QC, Canada	2021
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Showcase

<i>Art + summer showcase:</i> Muticultural Artist's Coalition, Ottawa, Canada.	2021, 2022
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<i>Ottawa premiere:</i> Raw Artists Canada, Nepean ON, Canada	2021
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Press publications and interviews
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Pas comme d'habitude. CBC, Toronto, Canada	2025
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Y a pas deux matins pareils. CBC, Toronto, Canada	2025
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Dans la mosaïque. CBC, Toronto, Canada	2025
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City News. Toronto, Canada	2025
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Fresh Air with Ismaila Alfa. CBC Listen, Toronto, Canada	2024
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Michel Picard, Place 94,5. Unique FM, Ottawa, Canada	2024
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Les Couleurs de Ma Ville. Fibe TV 1, Canada 2024

Multi Faith Calandar. Multi Faith Action, Vancouver, Canada 2024, 2025

Modern Renaissance Magazine, issue 19 2023

Culturally Arts Collective, Washington, DC, USA

Article written by Soufiane Chakkouche. ONFR_TFO, Toronto, Canada 2023

Article written by Abigail Alves Murta. ONFR_TFO, Toronto, Canada 2023

Daily Show. Rogers TV, Ottawa, Canada 2022

Entre Nous. Rogers TV, Ottawa, Canada 2021, 2022

Article written by Divine Ongagna 2020

Les Dépêches de Bassin du Congo Press, Brazzaville, Congo

Publication Local Press 2017

Hangin' around with Pineridge Arts Council, Ajax ON, Canada

Other relevant work experience

Jury Member. Ontario Arts council, Toronto, Canada 2023

Artistic research 2023-2024

Africa Museum, Tervuren, Belgique

Instructor Assistant in internship. Ottawa school of arts 2022

Art Studio Assistant	2010-2012
Cheri-Cherin Art Studio, Kinshasa-DRC	

Collections

Public collection: Public art program. City of Ottawa	2025
Private Collector: Ottawa, Canada	2025
Private Collector: Toronto, Canada	2024
Public Collection: University of Toronto, Canada	2024
Private Collector: Ottawa, Canada	2023
Private collection: Maron'Age Arts Gallery, Lyon, France	2021
Private Collector: Ancona, Italy	2021
Public Collection: Maison de la Francophonie of Ottawa	2021
Public Collection, Ottawa Arts Gallery Annex	2019
Private Collector: Ajax, ON, Canada	2017
Private Collector: Werner Horvath's Collection, Australia	2010