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### SELECTED WORKS

2024

Intermission (seini\_transmit), Sumer, Auckland  
TMI (Too Much Information), Cement Fondu, Sydney  
Soft Centre, State Library of Victoria, Melbourne  
Apparitional resurrect, The Part In The Story Where Our Accumulating Dust Becomes A Mountain, SeMA Seoul Museum of Art, Seoul, curator Gahee Park in dialogue with Ong Puay Khim and Reuben Keehan

2023

THIS IS (after Easter), Perth Institute of Contemporary Art & sweetpea\* Gallery, curator Andrew Varano  
Easter, Art Gallery of New South Wales X Sydney Pride Festival, curators Samia Sayed and Evgenia Anagnostopoulos  
of a house besieged (preposition tweaked), The Kitchen, New York, [admitted into their digital archives], curator Matthew Lyons

2022

Untitled (Intermission iteration II), Singapore Biennial, Singapore Art Museum, curator Nida Ghouse  
Intermission, ANTI Festival, Finland [prize winner's commission]  
Fa'afafine (2001) fa'a (2022), The Soul Expanding Ocean #1, Thyssen-Bornemisza Art Contemporary Privatstiftung, Köstlergasse  
Negativity, Verge Gallery, University of Sydney, curator EO Gill  
Not dissimilar (smile & smile) similar to, Blindside Gallery, Melbourne, curator Chelsea Hopper  
Auto-audience, Gertrude Contemporary, Melbourne, curator Mark Feary  
Black, Samstag Gallery, Adelaide, curator Frances Barrett  
worm divinations (segmented realities), Australian Centre for Contemporary Art (ACCA), Melbourne, curator Annika Kristensen

2021

Errantucation (mist opportunities), APT10: The 10th Asia Pacific Triennial of Contemporary Art, Queensland Art Gallery (QAGOMA), Brisbane, curator Ruth McDougall  
From to:, Image Bank & Morris and Helen Belkin Art Gallery, Western Front Society, Vancouver, curator Susan Gibb  
Bridge, St Stephen's Church, LOCUS, Soft Centre, Sydney  
An email performance of a first chapter of a fictional novel as proposition (or a minor text in six parts), Activators 4, Chunky Move, curator Leah Landau [online]  
Placeholder (there/here storage), This is not how I woke up, Ankles, Sydney, curator Mitch Cairns  
Living room material (opaque contents), Dream Sequence, Utp Bankstown, Sydney, curator Dr Jess Olivieri [online]  
Apparitional Keynote Lecture Performance Space, Sydney; LiveArt Prize, Kuopio Finland  
A sheet as sail (a sheet assail), Bankstown Art Centre; LiveArt Prize, Kuopio Finland, curators Paul Howard and Suvi Koivisto  
of a house besieged (preposition tweaked), Hyperlinked, Art Gallery of NSW, Sydney, curator Isobel Parker-Phillips  
Three acts for a magazine, Art Monthly Australasia, curator Michael Moran, commissioned by Murray Art Museum Albury [print]

2020

Mountains dissolved (ext 2), Limit as material, Lux, London, curators Mike Sperlinger and Eleanor Ivory-Weber [online—two-day online broadcast programme in collaboration with the Artistic Estate of Ian White]  
Care disfigurements: instruction for simple email, Hans Ulrich Obrist's Do it [Australia], Instagram performance, curator Emily Sullivan  
Apparitional charlatan minor appearances, NIRIN WIR, Biennale of Sydney, curator Brook Andrew  
A lounge room reading, Fine Print, curators Rayleen Forester and Joanna Kitto [online]  
Mountains dissolved (ext 1), FG/CE 2020, Guam/US, curator Sid.M Duenas [PDF exhibition]  
Five Columns, Agatha Gothe-Snape: THE OUTCOME IS CERTAIN, Monash Art, Design & Architecture Caulfield Campus, Melbourne, curator Hannah Matthews (as Wrong Solo, with Agatha Gothe-Snape and cohort)



- 2019  
Broadloom (an act in five parts: subject to change), Certain Realities, Murray Art Museum Albury, curator Michael Moran  
Bridge, The Slow Demolition of My Perfect Vision, Pitt Street Uniting Church, Sydney, curator Sebastian Henry-Jones  
ARMS/Umm, Absorption, Carriageworks Sydney, Commissioned by Kaldor Projects, curator Asad Raza  
No chair left unturned, Art Central, Hong Kong Art Fair, curator by Mikala Tai  
No chair left unturned, Shapeshifters: New Forms of Curatorial Research, Monash University of Art & Design Caulfield Campus, Melbourne, curator Tara McDowell  
Five Columns, Agatha Gothe-Snape: THE OUTCOME IS CERTAIN, Institute of Modern Art (IMA), Brisbane, curator Hannah Matthews (as Wrong Solo, with Agatha Gothe-Snape and cohort)
- 2018  
Care disfigurements (soft hands), All Ears: A queer listening party, Campbelltown Arts Centre, curators Frances Barrett and Dr Jess Olivieri  
Care disfigurements (curtains fall), There is a pain...so utter, Gertrude Glasshouse, Melbourne, curator Beth Caird  
Care disfigurements (soft hands), NEXT WAVE Festival, Westspace, Melbourne, curator Amelia Winata  
Care disfigurements (let's kill work, Liquid Architecture, The Tote, Melbourne, curator Makirti & Makeda Zucca [with Andrew Mclellan]  
Selection from Call and Response (changing titles: 2010 to now), Morsel, Artspace, Sydney, curators Astrid Lorange and Andrew Brooks  
The Guest House, Gwangju Biennial, South Korea, curator David Teh (as Wrong Solo, with Agatha Gothe-Snape and cohort)
- 2017  
B.F.W.M.L.D.F.S., First Thursdays, Institute of Modern Art (IMA), Brisbane, curator Sancintya Mohini Simpson  
B.F.W.M.L.D.F.S., Splashback 2, 55SydenhamRd, Sydney Curator Anna John  
All arms, TCB Gallery, Melbourne  
Sixty minutes for Horsham, Horsham Regional Art Gallery, Victoria, curator Frances E. Parker (as Wrong Solo, with Agatha Gothe-Snape and cohort)  
I am a branch floating on a swollen river after the rain, Gertrude Contemporary Melbourne Curator Mark Feary (as Wrong Solo, with Agatha Gothe-Snape and cohort)  
The Turning Choir, Monash University Museum of Art & Horsham Regional Art Gallery, curator Francis E. Parker (as Wrong Solo, with Agatha Gothe-Snape and cohort)
- 2016  
Close to the Knives / 1 to 5 email performances, Private email performance for participating artists TarraWarra Biennale, self initiated  
Apparitional charlatan..., Light Moves Festival of Screendance, Limerick City Gallery of Art, curators Mary Wycherely & Jurgen Simpson  
PLACE HELD HOLD NOTHING, Physics Room, Christchurch, curator Melanie Oliver  
PLACEHOLDER, Physics Room, Christchurch, curator Melanie Oliver  
Paper Waits, Knulp Gallery, Sydney  
Care Disfigurements (a third recital, Seventh Gallery, Melbourne, curator Jess Bullivant  
Apparitional charlatan our time on stage, in studio, before class, The Address, Cast Gallery, Hobart Curator Sarah Jones  
Care Disfigurements (a second recital), Brett Whiteley Studio, Sydney, curator Angela Stretch  
Wrong Solo presents Destine Variations, TarraWarra Biennial, TarraWarra Museum of Art, curator Victoria Lynn (as Wrong Solo, with Agatha Gothe-Snape and cohort)
- 2015  
All titles: no centre crux – the email performances, PERFORMA15, Printed Matter, New York, curator Esa Nickle [live and email performances]  
Some Things Not, Union Docs, New York, curator Johanna Linsley  
For Eavesdroppers, Ventriloquists and Ghosts: Performing Lost, Stolen and Misplaced Voices  
Some Things, Poetry Project, New York, curator Ariel Goldberg  
F.I.F.O Ghosts..., Liquid Architecture, National Gallery of Victoria (NGV), Melbourne, curators Joel Stern & Danni Zuvela  
Untitled (ghost machinery refit / letting go of the sheet—a possible addition), Chisenhale Gallery, London, curator Pip Wallis  
Apparitional charlatan our time on stage, in studio, before class, 24 Frames Per Second, Carriageworks, Sydney, curator Lisa Havilah  
Cardinals, Splashback 1, 55SydenhamRd, Sydney, curator Anna John (as Wrong Solo, with Agatha Gothe-Snape and cohort)  
Cardinals Performa15, New York, curator Amelia Wallin (as Wrong Solo, with Agatha Gothe-Snape and cohort)



Cruising Posters, Sydney Non-Objective Contemporary Arts, curator Ruark Lewis (as Wrong Solo, with Agatha Gothe-Snape and cohort)

2014  
All Titles: Points of Departure 1–3, Framed Movements, Australian Centre for Contemporary Art (ACCA), Melbourne, curator Hannah Matthews  
Apparitional Free Speaking, Gertrude Studios, Melbourne & Artspace Studios, Sydney  
Text of Sound, Liquid Architecture, Federation Square, Melbourne, curators Joel Stern and Dani Zuvela  
Apparitional Earth Work: A textual refurbishment, Take No Lay Down, SLOPES, Melbourne, curators Pip Wallis & Brooke Babington  
It's a wrap!, GOB, 55SydenhamRd, Sydney, curator Matthew Hopkins  
FORWARDS FORWARDS, Tele Visions, Carriageworks, Sydney, curators Emma Ramsay and Alex White (as Wrong Solo, with Agatha Gothe-Snape and cohort)

2013  
Privilege (non-participatory art in the future 2033: writing, begging and wanking), GOING DOWN, ISCP Studios, New York, curators Sarah Rodigari and Dr Jess Olivieri [Skype performance]  
Privilege (house), Temporary Democracies, Campbelltown Arts Centre, Sydney, curator Paul Gazzola  
Privilege (performance), Workout: 7 Days of Experimental Performance, Museum of Contemporary Art Sydney, curator Anna Davis  
Four Dances Carriageworks, Sydney Curator Dr Jess Olivieri (as Wrong Solo, with Agatha Gothe-Snape and cohort)

2012  
The Sarraute Conduit, Serial Space Sydney  
Curators Frances K Barrett and Kate Blackmore  
For Time Machine Festival of Experimental Time-based Art  
REVERSE LECTURE GAY CENTRAL WORK, Museum of Contemporary Art (MCA), Sydney, (as Wrong Solo, with Agatha Gothe-Snape and cohort)

2011  
Islands (after transmission, Rules of Play, Tin Sheds Gallery, Sydney University, curator Kathryn Gray  
Wrong Solo Poster Recitals, Maximillian Magazine launch, Serial Space, Sydney (as Wrong Solo, with Agatha Gothe-Snape and cohort)  
Cruising with WrongSolo, PRIMAVERA, Fremantle Art Gallery (as Wrong Solo, with Agatha Gothe-Snape and cohort)  
Islands, Rules of Play, Tin Shed Gallery, Sydney University, curated by Kathryn Gray (with Bernadette Anzengruber, Michaela Gleave, Agatha Gothe-Snape, Kathryn Gray, Michael Poetschko, Tei-Kim Pok, Sarah Rodigari, Nina Stuhldreher)

2010  
Cruising with WrongSolo, PRIMAVERA, Museum of Contemporary Art(MCA), Sydney, curator Katie Dyer (as Wrong Solo, with Agatha Gothe-Snape and cohort)  
The Fraser Studio Performances, Fraser Studios, Sydney (with Todd Mcmillian, Wade Marynowsky, Adam Jasper, Christopher Hanrahan, Pete Volich, Mitch Cairns, Agatha Gothe-Snape, Eden Falk, Emma Ramsay, Anna John, Kate Mitchell, Sarah Goffman, Sarah Rodigari, Kate Murphy, Shane Haseman and Andrew Haining)  
Eastern Seaboard, Artspace, Sydney, curator Reuben Keehan (as part of artist collective CosmicBattleForYourHeart, with Mitch Cairns, Kelly Doley and Agatha Gothe-Snape)

2009  
No Dance, What I Think About When I Think About Dancing, Campbelltown Arts Centre, Sydney, curator Lisa Havilah (as Wrong Solo, with Agatha Gothe-Snape and cohort)  
Pacific Wash Up, Feedforward: The Angel of History, Laboral: Centre of Art & Industrial Creation, Gijon (with Rachael Rakena and Efeso Faanana)  
Dominoes, Create09 Festival, East and South London Greenwich Old Royal Naval College (ensemble member of Station House Opera, UK)

2008  
Pacific Wash Up, Museum of Modern Art (with Rachael Rakena and Efeso Faanana Busan)

2004  
Day of Invigilation, Travelling Light, Performance Space, Sydney, curator Blair French (with Victoria Hunt & Barbara Campbell)



2003

Museum of Fetishized Identities, Performance Space, Sydney (with Guillermo Gomez Pena and La Pocha Nostra)

2001

Fa'afafine, Performance Space, Sydney, director Nigel Kellaway, Commissioned by Utp Bankstown  
My Mother's Extended Phenotype, Performance Space, Sydney (with Hayden Fowler)

## AWARDS/GRANTS

- 2020 LiveArt Prize  
ANTI Festival Kuopio Finland
- 2018 Fishers Ghost Award: Open prize
- 2016 Australia Council for the Arts: New Work
- 2015 NSW Ministry for the Art: Artist Support Grant
- 2014 Australia Council for the Arts: New Work
- 2007 Australia Council for the Arts: Runway Grant

## CURATORIAL PROJECTS

2022  
Monumental (working title), Sydney Festival & Art Gallery of NSW, Sydney Co-curator with Latai Taumoepeau  
Featuring: Rakini Devi, Weather Beings, Annette Tesoriero, Maria & Halcyon White, Malcolm Whittaker, Lucky Lartey, House of Slè, Asam Ahmad & Jack Prest, Angela Goh, Demon Derriere, Sela Vai and Fetu Taku, Ivey Wawn, Julie-Ann Long, SJ Norman, Joel Spring, Samia Sayed & Adonis, Rosell Flately and Strings Attached

2021  
Monumental (working title), Art Gallery of NSW, Sydney  
Co-curator with Latai Taumoepeau For the 150th Anniversary of AGNSW  
Featuring: Rakini Devi, Weather Beings, Annette Tesoriero, Maria & Halcyon White, Malcolm Whittaker, Lucky Lartey, House of Slè, Asam Ahmad & Jack Prest, Angela Goh, Demon Derriere, Sela Vai and Fetu Taku, Ivey Wawn, Julie-Ann Long and Strings Attached

2016  
Paper Weights, Knulp Gallery, Sydney  
Featuring: Ruark Lewis, Agatha Gothe-Snape, Talia Smith, Zoe Robertson, Michael Snape, Nicole Barakat, Rhiannon Newton

2014  
Restaging Restaging, Alaska Projects, Sydney, co-curator with Dr Jess Olivieri & Sarah Rodigari  
Featuring: Ivan Cheng, Shane Haseman, Matthew Prest, Frances Barrett, Lizzie Thomson, Bianca Hester, Matthew Linde, Atlanta Eke  
Commissioned texts written by: Georgina Criddle, Susan Gibb, Helen Grogan, Amelia Groom

2008  
LOOK NO MUM NO HEAD  
Imperial Slacks Gallery, Sydney Co-curator with Hannah Furmage  
Featuring: Jeff Stein, Toy Death, Frumpus, Victoria Spence, Lea Donnan, David Williams, Michelle Outram and Caitlin Newton-Broad

## ARTIST PUBLICATIONS

2023  
Email derivatives (a framed performance: caught between a persimmon and a triangle), In 'Precarious Movements: Choreography and the Museum', National Gallery of Victoria NGV, Melbourne, edited by Erin Brannigan, Louise Lawson, Hannah Matthews and Pip Wallis.

2018  
Fa'afafine, In Samoan Queer Lives. Little Island Press: edited by Shigeyuki Kihara and Dan Taulapapa McMullin



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2014

Dip or Skinny Dip, Mitch Cairns and Brian Fuata. Gang Atelier, 2014.

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2012

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2011

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2009

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2008

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