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**Formal Education**

**School of the Art Institute of Chicago**  
Bachelors of Fine Art in Studio Art- May 2008

**School of the Art Institute of Chicago**  
Bachelors of Arts in Visual and Critical Studies- May 2008

**Massachusetts Institute of Technology**  
Masters of Science in Visual Studies- expected May 2010

**Selected Exhibitions**

2009 ***And Things of That Nature***  
Mills Gallery- Boston Center for the Arts, MA

2008 ***New Morning***  
Meet Waradise Gallery, New York City, NY

***Des-Comp-DB***  
Wolk Gallery-MIT, Boston, MA

***SAIC Thesis Show***  
Gallery 2, Chicago, IL

2007 ***Mapping Self***  
Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL

***The Common Sense***  
Solo Exhibit, Around the Coyote Gallery, Chicago, IL

***Luggage of the Birth Right***  
Temporary Hotel Gallery, Tel Aviv, Israel

***Probes: Contemporary Pakistani Art***  
Hot House Gallery, Chicago, IL

2006 ***Around the Coyote Fall Arts Festival***  
Curators Choice, Around the Coyote Gallery, Chicago, IL

***The World is Flat***  
Life Bomb Gallery, Berlin, Germany

***Paper Tigers***  
Three Seasons Gallery, Chicago, IL

2005 ***Airlift***  
Ausstellungsdauer, Zurich, Switzerland

***Nippon Steel 13***  
Nippon Steel Head Quarters, Chicago IL

2004 **Art Bash**  
Faculty Award, Gallery G2, Chicago, IL

2003 **Toledo Area Arts Exhibit**  
Toledo Museum of Art, Toledo, OH

**Cast Diffusion**  
Solo Exhibit, Canaday Center of University of Toledo, Toledo, OH

### Architecture and Exhibition Design

2007 **Downtown Islamic Center Reading Room**  
Collaboration with Laura Lee Schmidt, Chicago, IL

2006 **Disorientation**  
Collaboration with Laura Lee Schmidt, DePaul University Student Center, Chicago, IL

### Curatorial/Organizing

2008 **On Najj al-Ali**  
Lead Curator, Around the Coyote Gallery, Chicago, IL

2007 **Platypus Interview with Tariq Ali**  
School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL

**Pedagogical Factory: How We Learn: Building an Educated City**  
Panel Discussion Participant, Hyde Park Art Center, Chicago, IL

2006 **Re-presenting the Present: Danish Cartoons, Islam, and You**  
Panel Organizer, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL

### Awards, Grants, and Residencies

2008 **MIT Council for the Arts Directors Grant**  
Massachusetts Institute of Technology

**Presidential Fellowship**  
Massachusetts Institute of Technology

**BFA Fellowship**  
School of the Art Institute of Chicago

2007 **Around the Coyote Fall Artist in Residence**  
Around the Coyote Gallery, Chicago, IL

**IDSA Student Merit Award**  
Industrial Design Society of North America

**Office of Multi-Cultural Affairs Diversity Grant**  
School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL

2006 **Student Government Artist Grant**  
School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL

**Peanut Butter and Jelly Student Leadership Award**  
School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL

**Novy Leadership Award**  
School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL

### Collaborative Experience

**2007 Studio Jeeraan- Co-founder**

Creates critically address the discourse surrounding contemporary Islamic practice through spatial constructions. Project have included an installation at DePaul University and a reading room for the Downtown Islamic Center, Chicago, IL.

**Odra Inc.-Lead Designer**

Lead Designer to incorporate experimental fabrication techniques into the mass production of *Muqarnas Blocks* I designed.

**Platypus Affiliated Society- SAIC Student Liaison Officer**

A investigates the historical trajectory of Marxism. For two years it has run a bi-weekly reading group, a bi-monthly newspaper *The Platypus Review*, and hosts panel discussions.

**2006 Muslim Student Association- Founder and President**

Founder and president of the MSA at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago to host discussions concerning the politics of Islam today.

**2005 Ecology in the City Think Tank at DePaul University**

Researching the concept of "urban wilderness". I specialized in sustainable design in an urban context.

**2004 Fourth Wall Initiative- Art Director**

As Art Director I oversaw high school students in the creation of murals for the City of Toledo.

### Publications

-Timothy Inklebarger, "Coyote's McMosque," Chicago Journal, 6 September 2007

-RL, "Peace to all who enter here," TimeOut Chicago, 6 September 2007

-Mark Lawton, "Gallery get Muslim Transformation," Booster, 7 September 2007

-Alan Artner, "Fall Art Preview," Chicago Tribune, 7 September 2007

-Alicia Eler, Common sense, amplified," CulturalChicago.com, 9 December 2007

-Alicia Chester, "Common Ground," F News Magazine, 1 November 2007

-Marco Torres, "Review: the Common Sense," The Platypus Review, 1 November 2007