

SNEHA BHAVSAR

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Innovative visual artist and community activist with 10+ years professional experience within the arts, education and public health sectors. A record of success in arts project management, community outreach, program development and grants management.

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Art Exhibit Coordination and Curation | Project Management | Budget Management | Outreach Development | Grant Writing | Data Analysis | Board Strategic Planning

EXPERIENCE

Owner/Artist 2019 - Present

Tenfold Ventures LLC, Bellaire, TX

- Authored and awarded multiple community focused artist grants, notably the Jones Artist Award, SACI and Civic Art Program Award, from the City of Houston and private foundations.
- Generated and managed over a quarter million dollars of funding for large scale public art installations and art exhibitions across the City of Houston over a two year period.
- Developed and implemented a series of 3 workshops engaging the local community to explore the connection between art and healing.
- Established outreach plan to form collaborative partnerships with refugee organizations across Houston.
- Collaborated with diverse stakeholders within City of Houston departments, public libraries, school districts and community organizations to implement public art projects.

Board Member 2023 - Present

Tagore Center Foundation, Houston, TX

- Planned and implemented the Foundation's Cultural Arts event for 150+ individuals including regional dignitaries and foundation donors.
- Developed and facilitated a series of educational art workshops for local youth aged 5-13 years.

Board Member, Compassion Through the Arts 2021 - Present

Compassionate Houston, Houston, TX

- Designed, implemented and managed the Compassion through the Arts Grant Initiative to support 10 Houston based artists in multiple artistic disciplines from musical, literary and visual arts.

- Facilitated 3 large scale artist exhibitions to promote all 10 awarded artists over a three year period.
- Fostered collaborative partnerships between 10 awarded artists and Compassionate Houston's network of 35 businesses, non-profits, faith based and community organizations for projects promoting compassion through the arts in greater Houston.

Board Member, Vice Chair

2017 - 2023

City of Bellaire, Culture and Arts, Bellaire, TX

- Developed and implemented 3 annual city wide events promoting visual and performing arts for approximately 17,000 city residents.
- Collaborated with city officials, nonprofits and community groups to procure and showcase a rotating exhibit of public art in the City of Bellaire.
- Introduced and facilitated the ongoing Utility Box Painting program within the City of Bellaire including artist recruitment and selection.

PUBLIC ART

2022 *Flower of Life*, Alpana mural, Tagore Memorial Grove, Houston TX

2020 - 2022 *Folding Stories*, Civic Art installation, City of Houston, Mayor's Office of Cultural Affairs, Alief Neighborhood Center, Houston TX

2021 *KindCards*, City of Bellaire KindCards Art Initiative, Houston TX

GROUP SHOWS

2023 *Where is Home?*, Jones Artist Award, Houston Endowment, Houston TX

2021 *Making Lemonade*, G-Spot Contemporary Art Gallery, Houston TX

2020 *Art as Medicine: Caring Through Covid19*, MD Anderson Cancer Center, Houston TX

2019 *Looking Back*, DAYA Houston: Shine Gala art exhibit, Houston TX

2018 *Come Together*, Sawyer Yards, Houston TX

2017 Houston's Emerging Artist Showcase, Hotel Ylem, Houston TX

2014 *Save our Schools*, City Artworks Art Exhibit, Houston TX

SOLO SHOWS

2022 *Stories Incarnate: Refugee Migration Journeys*, SACI Award, City of Houston, Mayor's Office of Cultural Affairs, Houston TX

2017 *Vino and Vinyl*, Art and Music Exhibit, Sugar Land TX

PRESS/AWARDS/RECOGNITION

Houston Endowment, Jones Artist Award 2023

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n82UZaeY5Lc>

<https://www.houstonendowment.org/programs/arts-parks/jones-artist-awards-program/where-is-home/>

Voyage Houston

<http://voyagehouston.com/interview/rising-stars-meet-sneha-bhavsar-of-houston/>

CODAWorx, CODAMagazine featured artists, *Folding Stories* installation

<https://www.codaworx.com/projects/folding-stories-2/>

“Folding Stories” - Sneha Bhavsar, Ami Mehta, Rakhee Jain Desai (Red Thread Collective) - Alief Neighborhood Center, Houston Mayor’s Office of Cultural Affairs

<https://vimeo.com/787521320>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7X29f0JlqDg>

<https://www.houstontx.gov/culturalaffairs/20210928.html>

SACI award, Houston Mayor’s Office of Cultural Affairs

<https://www.houstontx.gov/culturalaffairs/20211228.html>

EDUCATION

Master of Public Administration, Health Policy, 2002

New York University, NY

Bachelor of Science, Biology, Ecology, Environmental Science, 1998

University of California, San Diego, CA

REFERENCES

Professional references available upon request.