

## Larissa Sansour

(born in Jerusalem)

Lives and works in Copenhagen, Denmark.

## Education

1998- 2000	New York University, New York, USA. MA in Art.
1999	The Royal Art Academy, Copenhagen, Denmark. Visiting student.
1997- 1998	University of Baltimore, Maryland County, USA. Art history and criticism.
1993- 1994	American College in London, UK. Computer animation and video art.
1992- 1995	Maryland Institute College of Art, Baltimore, Maryland, USA. BFA.
1991- 1992	Byam Shaw, London, UK. Concentration in figurative art.
1990- 1991	Blake College, London, UK. Foundation in Fine Art.

## Solo exhibitions

2007	<i>Sbara</i> , Gallery Art Space Portsmouth, Portsmouth, UK. <i>Hip Hip, Today</i> , Skagen Museum, Skagen, Denmark.
2006	<i>The Dark Side of Citrus</i> , Al-Khahef Gallery, Dar Annadwa, Bethlehem, Palestine.
2004	<i>Welcome to Gaza</i> , Kragh&Halling Art, Copenhagen, Denmark. <i>Gaza and Peace Activists</i> , International Bethlehem Centre, Palestine.
2003	<i>Palestine Remastered</i> , Kragh&Halling Art, Copenhagen, Denmark.

## Selected group exhibitions

2008	<i>Sea Art Busan Biennale 2008</i> , Busan, South Korea. <i>Yearning for Beauty</i> , The Mediterranean Cologne Biennale, Cologne, Germany. <i>Border Walls</i> , Boltax Gallery, Shelter Island, New York, USA. <i>Prelude, or Better! In Time!</i> , Modca, Copenhagen, Denmark. <i>FIGUR</i> , Lauritz Kunsthall, Copenhagen, Denmark. <i>Visible and Invisible Spaces</i> , A touring exhibition, USA. <i>Secrets</i> , 6+, Glass Curtain Gallery, Columbia College Chicago, Chicago, USA. <i>The Skagen Painters – In a New Light</i> , Arken Museum of Modern Art, Denmark. <i>Sbara</i> , Al Hoash Gallery, East Jerusalem, Palestine. <i>File Rio 2008</i> , Oi Futuro, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. <i>Repressive Tolerance 4 Ever</i> , The Backyard Gallery, Copenhagen, Denmark. <i>Algiers Arab Culture Capital Exhibition</i> , Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Algiers, Algeria.
2007	<i>In Focus</i> , Tate Modern, London, UK. Scope Miami 2007, Miami, Florida, USA. <i>Land Grab</i> , APEXART, New York City, USA. <i>The Jerusalem Show</i> , Al-Ma'mal, Jerusalem, Palestine. <i>Tales of Reality And Beyond</i> , LARMgalleri, Copenhagen, Denmark. <i>KunstFilmBiennale</i> , SK Stiftung Kultur, Museum Ludwig, Cologne, Germany. <i>Hall on the Wall</i> , Kulturnat, Copenhagen, Denmark. <i>Media Art Festival, Friesland</i> , Harlingen, The Netherlands. <i>Spooky Truths</i> , Red Cross Culture House, Copenhagen, Denmark. <i>FILE-2007</i> , SESI Gallery, Sao Paulo, Brazil. <i>Not on Satellite</i> , The National Museum of Queen Sofia, Madrid, Spain. <i>Reality Check</i> , FACT, Liverpool, UK. <i>Tasten Festival</i> , Sophiensaele, Berlin, Germany. <i>Multiple Voices/Other Ways</i> , VIDEOFORMES 07, Paris, France. <i>Paranoia</i> , Freud Museum, London, UK. <i>Secrets</i> , 6+, The Dairy Centre for the Arts, Boulder, Colorado, USA. <i>::selfportrait, - a show for Bethlehem</i> , Macro Museo Arte Contemporaneo, Rosario, Argentina.
2006	Gstaadfilm, International Short Film Festival for Art Films, Gstaad, Switzerland. <i>VIII International Digital Art Exhibit</i> , Pablo de la Torriente Cultural Centre, Havana, Cuba. <i>::selfportrait - a show for Bethlehem</i> , Casoria International Museum of Contemporary Art, Italy. <i>::selfportrait - a show for Bethlehem</i> , Officina Art Space, Szczecin, Poland. <i>::selfportrait - a show for Bethlehem</i> , MAC – Museum of Contemporary Art, Santa Fe, Argentina. <i>Intro Out</i> , Xilourgio, Mulos Cultural Centre, Greece. <i>Coding-De-Coding</i> , Museum of Contemporary Art, Roskilde, Denmark.

	<i>Coding-De-Coding</i> , Nikolaj Contemporary Art Centre, Copenhagen, Denmark. <i>Efterårsudstilling</i> , Charlottenborg, Copenhagen, Denmark. <i>Paranoia</i> , Focal Point Gallery, Southend, UK. <i>Paranoia</i> , Leeds City Arts Gallery, Leeds, UK. <i>Secrets</i> , 6+, Al-Hoash National Gallery, Jerusalem, Palestine. <i>Secrets</i> , 6+, International Centre of Bethlehem, Bethlehem Palestine. <i>Secrets</i> , 6+, Sakakini Cultural Centre, Ramallah, Palestine. <i>://selfportrait - a show for Bethlehem</i> , Cave Gallery, Bethlehem, Palestine. <i>Impressions from Bethlehem</i> , Cologne City Hall, Cologne, Germany. <i>Insomnia</i> , The Courtauld Institute of Art, London, UK. <i>Adding Insult to Imagery</i> , Central Missouri State University, Missouri, USA. <i>Adding Insult to Imagery</i> , Kipp Gallery, Pennsylvania, USA. <i>Tulca Live</i> , Galway, Ireland.
2005	<i>International Media Art Festival</i> , Yerevan, Armenia. <i>prog:ME</i> , Centro Cultural Telemar, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. <i>Re-Act</i> , Nikolaj Contemporary Art Centre, Copenhagen, Denmark. <i>Stena</i> , Central House of Writers, Moscow, Russia. <i>Couleurs Assiégées</i> , Maison de L'Unesco, Paris, France.
2003	<i>Forårsudstillingen</i> , Charlottenborg, Copenhagen, Denmark.
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2000	<i>M.A. Thesis Show</i> , 80 Washington Square East Galleries, New York, USA.
1996	<i>Third Annual Juried Show</i> , Savage Mill Gallery, Savage, Maryland, USA.
1995	<i>Out of Order</i> , Maryland Art Place, Baltimore, Maryland, USA.
1994	<i>Alienation</i> , Fox Gallery, Baltimore, Maryland, USA.
1993	<i>Inside/Outside</i> , Decker Gallery, Baltimore, Maryland, USA.
1992	<i>Waiting</i> , Meyerhoff Gallery, Baltimore, Maryland, USA.
<b>Festivals and screenings</b>	
2008	<i>FairPlay</i> , Lugano, Switzerland. <i>Perfect Present Continuous</i> , Montevideo, Amsterdam, The Netherlands. <i>transmediale.08, Conspire, Film and Video</i> , Haus Der Kulteren Der Welt, Berlin, Germany. <i>Tampere Film Festival</i> , Tampere, Finland. <i>Edited Location</i> , Vis Din Film, Copenhagen, Denmark. <i>London Palestine Film Festival</i> , Barbican Centre, London, UK. <i>Houston Palestine Film Festival</i> , Houston, Texas, USA. <i>Yom II Ard, II Beit Ilfalastini</i> , Copenhagen, Denmark.
2007	<i>Space for Consultation</i> , Rencontres, Pompidou Centre, Paris, France. <i>Media Art Festival</i> , The 4 <sup>th</sup> Fair of Culture, Zagreb, Croatia. <i>Ecoutez Les Zimages</i> , Galerie Vincent, Lieu d'Art Contemporain, Reunion Island, France. <i>Al Kasaba International Film Festival</i> , Ramallah, Palestine. <i>Festival International du film de Quartier</i> , Dakar, Senegal. <i>Docusur: International Southern Documentary Film Festival</i> , Canary Islands, Spain. <i>DocuDays: Beirut International Documentary Festival</i> , Beirut, Lebanon. <i>Friargate Theatre</i> , York, UK. <i>29<sup>th</sup> Mediterranean Film Festival of Montpellier</i> , Montpellier, France. <i>Uppsala International Short Film Festival</i> , Uppsala, Sweden. (nominated for the Grand Prix). <i>Festival du Film Libanais</i> , né à Beyrouth, Beirut, Lebanon. <i>Nightcomers</i> , Mekan 34, The 10th Istanbul Biennial, Istanbul, Turkey. <i>The 8th International Exile Film Festival</i> , Gothenburg, Sweden. <i>Amal Film Festival</i> , Fundacion Araguaney, A Coruña, Spain. <i>11<sup>th</sup> Annual Arab Film Festival</i> , San Francisco, California, USA. <i>Boston Palestine Film Festival</i> , Boston, USA. <i>Second International video Festival</i> , Cairo, Egypt. <i>International Arab Film Festival</i> , Oran, Algeria. <i>Festival Songes d'une nuit DV</i> , Paris, France. <i>International Short Film Festival Kratkofil</i> , Banjaluka, Bosnia and Herzegovina. <i>A Corte Di Donne (III Edizione)</i> , Pozzuoli, Naples, Italy. <i>28<sup>th</sup> Durban International Film Festival</i> , Centre for Creative Arts, Durban, South Africa. <i>Bethlehem Bandolero</i> , Vis Din Film, Caféteatret, Copenhagen, Denmark.

	<i>The Oslo Short Film Festival</i> , Oslo, Norway. <i>Mobile Zones</i> , Yerba Buena For the Arts, San Francisco, USA. <i>Houston Palestine Film Fest</i> , Texas, USA.
	<i>Mobile Zones</i> , Film Platform, Verdenskulturcentret, Copenhagen, Denmark. <i>Index Generator 2.2.</i> , The Cog Collective, Candid Arts Trust, London, UK. <i>The London Palestine Film Festival</i> , The Barbican, London, UK.
	<i>Vis Din Film</i> , Caféteatret, Copenhagen, Denmark. <i>Chicago Palestine Film Festival</i> , Chicago, USA. <i>Laisle Relax, Espaco 27</i> , Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.
2006	<i>Reverberations</i> , Centro Cultural da Juventude, Sao Paulo, Brazil. <i>Routes</i> , Gloria Bio, Copenhagen, Denmark. <i>Routes</i> , Roskilde Contemporary Art Museum, Roskilde, Denmark. <i>Scandinavian Short Film Festival</i> , ATA, San Francisco, California, USA. <i>LA Freewaves</i> , Media Arts Website, Los Angeles, California, USA. <i>Taksi</i> , Autobus Pictures, Los Angeles, California, USA. <i>28<sup>th</sup> Mediterranean Film festival of Montpellier</i> , Montpellier, France. <i>The Kerry Film Festival</i> , Kerry, Ireland. <i>Amal 06 Film Festival</i> , Coruña, Spain. <i>Shashat Women's Film Festival</i> , touring show, Palestine. <i>Cinematexas International Short Film Festival</i> , Austin, Texas. <i>Flexiff 4<sup>th</sup> Edition Digital Film Festival</i> , Sydney, Australia. <i>Her Voice, Her View</i> , Pioneer Theatre, New York City, USA. <i>London Palestine Film Festival</i> , London, Canada. <i>WOCMES Film Festival</i> , Amman, Jordan. <i>Athens Video Art Festival</i> , Athens, Greece. <i>Chicago Palestine Film Festival</i> , Chicago, USA. <i>Videonale 2006</i> , Berlin, Germany. <i>London Palestine Film Festival</i> , Barbican Centre, London, UK. <i>Politik i Film og Litteratur</i> , FilmPlatform, Literaturhaus, Copenhagen, Denmark. <i>Video Active-ISM</i> , Hotel Proforma, Axelborg, Copenhagen, Denmark.
2005	<i>Dreams and Trauma</i> , Haus Der Kulturen Der Welt, Berlin, Germany. <i>Trampoline</i> , Broadway Cinema, Nottingham, England. <i>Videorium.net</i> , Valencia, Spain. <i>The Chilean International Short Film Festival</i> , Santiago, Chile. <i>The Kerry Film Festival</i> , Kerry, Ireland. <i>Sligo Short Digital Film Festival</i> , Sligo, Ireland. <i>Luksuz Film Festival</i> , Krsko, Slovenia. <i>Bayennale</i> , San Francisco, USA. <i>Synthetic Zero</i> , New York, USA. <i>International Video Art Festival</i> , Ferrara, Italy. <i>Max5</i> , London, England. <i>2<sup>nd</sup> International Independent Video/Film Festival</i> , Vienna, Austria. <i>International Video Art Screening</i> , Kaliningrad, Russia. <i>Spark Video</i> , Syracuse, New York, USA. <i>Ramallah International Film Festival</i> , Ramallah, Palestine.

## Videos

2008	<i>Sbara</i> (8 min. 30 sec.) <i>Run Lara Run</i> (in progress) <i>Space Exodus</i> (in progress)
2007	<i>Land Confiscation Order 06/24/T</i> (10 minutes)
2006	<i>Severed Routes</i> , (30 minutes), A documentary. <i>Mloukhieh</i> (10 minutes) <i>Mobile War Zones</i> , a collaboration with Khaled D. Ramadan (16 minutes)
	<i>Happy Days</i> (3 min.) <i>The Dark Side of Citrus</i> (10 min.)
2005	<i>Bethlehem Bandolero</i> (5 min. 39 sec.)
2004	<i>Moscow Metro</i> (5 min. 8 sec.) <i>Gaza</i> (3 min. 59 sec.)

*Segregation Wall* (11 min. 23 sec.)

2003 *Peace Activists vs. Israeli Tank* (6 min.)

## **Television and the Internet**

2008 *Vision In/Out*, glimz.net. <http://www.glimz.net/vip/index.php?header=memberdata>  
<http://www.janetradyfineart.com/html/artists.asp>

2007 *Expressions of Nakba Online Exhibition*, (1<sup>st</sup> place winner in media arts category), USA.  
*Selected Web Space Artist on Artists File Online*, Artists Space, New York.

*VIP – VideoChannel*. [http://videochannel.newmediifest.org/vip/?page\\_id=73](http://videochannel.newmediifest.org/vip/?page_id=73)  
*Soup Over Bethlehem*, BBC ARABIC.com.

*Genius Souls*, World Chat, De Balie, Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

*Severed Routes*, TV-TV, Copenhagen Art Channel, Copenhagen, Denmark.

*Europe Now, Europe Next*, [www.europe.culturebase.net](http://www.europe.culturebase.net).

2006 *Deadline* (News Feature), DR2, Danish Public Television, Copenhagen, Denmark.

2006 DR 2, (Oufa's Fredmission), Danish Public Television, Copenhagen, Denmark.

2005 One hour interview, TV-TV, Copenhagen Art Channel, Copenhagen, Denmark.

## **Membership**

International board member, KaosPilots, Århus, Denmark.

## **Lectures, talks and seminars**

*Artist's Talk*, The Funen Academy of Art, Funen, Denmark. (Feb 2008)

*Edited Location*, Curation and presentation of a screening program. (Feb 2008)

*The Politics of Silence*, (a curated screening program) YNKB, Copenhagen, Denmark. (Dec 2007)

*Artist's Talk*, Aspex Gallery, Portsmouth, UK. (Nov 2007)

*The Fragmented Moment*, International Center of Photography, New York, USA. (Oct 2007)

*This Day: Reality Check*, FACT, Liverpool, UK. (July 2007)

*Media Art in the Arab World*, Copenhagen University, Copenhagen, Denmark. (May 2007)

*Vis Din Film*, Cafeteatret, Copenhagen, Denmark. (April 2007)

*Routes*, Roskilde Museum of Contemporary Art, Roskilde, Denmark. (December 2006)

*Politik i Film og Literatur, Filmplatform* (seminar with Carsten Jensen and Claus Beck-Nielsen), Literaturhaus, Copenhagen, Denmark. (June 2006)

*London Palestine Film Festival*, The Barbican, London, UK. (April 2006)

*Video Active-ISM*, Hotel Proforma, Axelborg, Copenhagen, Denmark. (Feb 2006)

*Annadwa International Bethlehem Center*, Bethlehem, Palestine. (Nov 2005)

*The Kerry Film Festival*, Kerry, Ireland. (Oct 2005)

## **Residencies, grants and awards**

2007 -*Secrets*, Glass Curtain Gallery, Chicago, USA, (Danish Arts Council travel grant)

-*Sbara*, Danish Arts Council, (Grant for artistic production and exhibition).

-*Artists Workshop residency at Phoenix Arts*, Supported by Arts Council England, ArtSpace, Portsmouth, UK.

-*Braziers International Workshop*, Oxford shire, UK.

-*In Focus*, Tate Modern exhibition, Danish Arts Council travel grant.

-*Land Confiscation Order*, Danish Arts Council, (Grant for artistic production and exhibition).

-*Hip Hip Today*, Danish Arts Council, (Grant for artistic production and exhibition).

2006 -*Copenhagen County grant for video production*, Project Routes, Brændstof, Denmark.

-The Helle and Arent Jacobsens grant for young artists.

2006/07 -*Images of the Middle East Campaign*, Center for Kultur og Udvikling, mega-billboards and other visuals, (funding and co-production).

2006 -*Charlottenborgs Efterårsudstilling*, Charlottenborg Fond, (grant and support).

-*Paranoia*, touring exhibition in the UK, Danish Arts Council travel grant.

-*Mobile War Zones*, Co-production with Khaled D. Ramadan, (Chamber of Public Secrets).

-*Danish Arts Council*, (Grant for artistic production and exhibition).

2005 -Artist in residence, International Centre of Bethlehem, Bethlehem, Palestine.

-*Honorary Award*, Ramallah International Film Festival.

## Selected bibliography

- Lauren Weinberg, *West Bank Story*, Time Out Chicago, USA, March, 2008.
- Lucy R. Lippard and Maymanah Farhat, *The Secrets Show Catalogue*, USA, February, 2008.
- Rosalia Fenger, Manus, Copenhagen University, Denmark, December, 2007.
- Palestine Women Artists, The Body = The Land = The Narrative*, Jerusalem, Palestine, September, 2007.
- Maymanah Farhat, *ArtAsiaPacific, Almanac 2008*, April, 2007.
- Tone Andersen, *Subtile Inntrykk*, Palestina, Norway, June, 2007.
- Jim Quilty, *Tricking her audience into feeling compassion*, The Daily Star (Lebanon), June, 2007.
- Vanessa Churchill, Palestine Times, Palestine, May, 2007.
- Nat Muller, *Tampering with the P(e)ace of Stasis: Artistic Practices of Trespassing in the Work of Larissa Sansour*, .dpi, no 8, February, Canada, 2007.
- Olivia Snaije, *Why Is Everyone Paranoid?*, The Daily Star (Lebanon), January, 2007.
- Kean Wong, *Coding: Decoding*, Universes in Universe, October, 2006.
- Yousef Shayeb, *Shashat*, Al-Ayam, Palestine, September, 2006.
- Jiries Abu Ghnam, *Secrets at Alkhahf*, Al-Quds, Jerusalem, September, 2006.
- Amira El-Nakeeb, *A Hall of Mirrors*, Al-Ahram, Egypt, September, 2006.
- Pierre Abi Saab, *Demark Makes Peace with Islam*, Al-Akhbar, Lebanon, August, 2006.
- Sonia Nettnin, *Bethlehem Bandolero*, Scoop, New Zealand, May 2006.
- Maymanah Farhat, *Bethlehem Bandolero*, The Electronic Intifada, May 2006.
- Dieter Buchhart and Anna Karina Hofbauer, *Re-act Catalogue*, Informations Forlag, Denmark, 2005.
- Boel Gerell, *Det nödvändiga motståndet*, Kvällsposten, Sweden, May 2005.
- Velkommen til Gaza*, Alalam TV Channel, Copenhagen, Denmark, August 2004.
- Velkommen til Gaza*, Politiken, Copenhagen, Denmark, August 2004.
- Hadani Ditmars, *Ramallah film festival packs in nomads, camel, dignitaries and true fans*, San Francisco Chronicle, July 2004.
- Carmen Pavlovich, *West Bank Warms to Catharsis of Film*, The Australian, July 2004.
- Sheila Whitaker, *The Show Goes On*, The Observer, July 2004.
- Tom Jorgensen, *Sprudlende Forårsudstilling*, Kunstavisen, March 2003.
- Ole Norlyng, *Forårsfornemmelser*, Berlingske Tidende, Copenhagen, March 2003.
- Peter Michael Hornung, *Forårsbål*, Politiken, Copenhagen, March 2003.
- Camilla Jalving, *Kunstnerisk Forår*, Kristeligt Dagblad, Copenhagen, March 2003.
- Pernille Anker Kristensen, *Farver I Udbud*, Morgenavisen Jyllandsposten, Copenhagen, March 2003.
- Mette-Line Thorup, *Kulturfusion*, Information, Copenhagen, September 1999.

## Links

\***Tate Modern**

<http://www.infocusdialogue.com>

\* **Skagen Museum (Hip Hip Today)**

<http://www.tv2nord.dk/default.asp?PageID=5&NewsCategoryID=1&NewsID=150275>

\* Article by Rotterdam based critic and curator Nat Muller.

<http://dpi.studioxx.org/index.php?id=101>

\* Videos on YouTube

[http://www.youtube.com/results?search\\_query=larissa+sansour&search=Search](http://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=larissa+sansour&search=Search)

\* Sakakini

[www.sakakini.org/visualarts/sansour.htm](http://www.sakakini.org/visualarts/sansour.htm)

\* Culturebase.net

<http://www.europe.culturebase.net/contribution.php?media=148>

\* 6 plus art collective

[http://www.6plus.org/visiting\\_artist.html](http://www.6plus.org/visiting_artist.html)

\*Artists Space  
[http://afonline.artistsspace.org/view\\_artist.php?aid=758](http://afonline.artistsspace.org/view_artist.php?aid=758)

\* **Paranoia**  
[http://www.aionarap.com/aionarap/pile.php?pile\\_name=Artists&item=Larissa](http://www.aionarap.com/aionarap/pile.php?pile_name=Artists&item=Larissa)

\***Article by Maymannah Farhat**  
<http://electronicintifada.net/v2/article4719.shtml>

\***Article by Sonia Nettnin**  
<http://www.scoop.co.nz/stories/HL0605/S00267.htm>

\***Coding: Decoding by Kean Wong**  
[http://universes-in-universe.org/eng/islamic\\_world/articles/2006/coding\\_decoding/photos/06](http://universes-in-universe.org/eng/islamic_world/articles/2006/coding_decoding/photos/06)

\***The Danish Arts Council**  
[http://www.kunstdk.dk/kunstner/larissa\\_sansour](http://www.kunstdk.dk/kunstner/larissa_sansour)

\***Janet Rady Fine Art**  
<http://www.janetradyfineart.com/html/artists.asp>

\* **Virtual Art Gallery at Birzeit University**  
[http://virtualgallery.birzeit.edu/media/index-m?col\\_id=11805&col\\_title=VIDEO+%26+PHOTOGRAPHY&author=Larissa+Sansour](http://virtualgallery.birzeit.edu/media/index-m?col_id=11805&col_title=VIDEO+%26+PHOTOGRAPHY&author=Larissa+Sansour)