

# SARAH WASHINGTON

## Biography

Sarah Washington creates works for radio, sound installations, radio art stations and festivals, writes about radio, and performs improvised music with self-made electronic instruments. She is one of the founders of the radio station Resonance FM in London and the international radio art network Radia. Commissions include a solo radio art series for Tate Modern, London (2007), a 100-day radio station for the 30th São Paulo Bienal (2012), and a series of 41 radio shows for SAVVY FUNK at documenta 14 (2017). In 2016 she was co-curator of the Radio Revolten International Radio Art Festival in Halle (Saale), and in 2022 co-Artistic Director of Radio Art Zone as part of the European Capital of Culture Esch22. Since 2000 Washington has worked together with Knut Aufermann in the music duo Tonic Train. In 2005 they founded the travelling radio project Mobile Radio, which has produced work and taught radio art in 23 countries. Washington's major print work, the anthology *Radio Art Zone* was published by Hatje Cantz in 2023.

## Selection of works

### Radio commissions

- *The Lost Art of Liking*, ORF Kunst zum Hören, Vienna. 2024
- *The Tide of Life*, WDR 3, Cologne. 2024
- *One Thought Fills Immensity*, Cape Farewell and ORF Kunstradio, Vienna. 2018
- *Render*, SAVVY Funk, documenta14, Berlin. 2017
- *Nicht Nur im Kopf*, ORF Kunstradio, Vienna. 2017
- *Dance Dance Dance to the Radio*, WDR 3, Cologne. 2013
- *City of Drizzle*, ORF Kunstradio, Vienna (Nominated for EBU Palma Ars Acustica). 2012
- *100 Words per Metre*, ORF Kunstradio, Vienna / WDR 3, Cologne. 2010
- *duration unknown*, VPRO Netherlands. 2010
- *Morsonata*, F.O.N festival, Barrow-in-Furness. 2009
- *Hearing in Tongues*, 8-part radio art series, Tate Modern, London. 2007

### Performative broadcasts

- *FMeral*, solo performance, Haus der Kulturen der Welt, Berlin. 2018
- *Tonic Train*, WFMU, Jersey City, New Jersey. 2015
- *Tonic Train*, CFRU, University of Guelph, Guelph, Ontario. 2015
- *Introducing Leslie*, Deep Wireless Festival, Artspace Wychwood Barns, Toronto. 2015
- *Mobile Radio Band* featuring Haco, Resonance FM, London. 2015
- *Feedback – 120th Anniversary transmission*, Resonance FM, London. 2014

- *Sketch for Ascent and Descent* by Ed Baxter, Science Museum, London. 2014
- *Imaginary Radio Band No.1* collaboration, Addicted2Random festival, Halle. 2013
- *Arts Birthday* with Willem de Ridder, Weserburg Museum, Bremen. 2013
- *The Principle of Yeast*, Raven Row gallery, London, live in Lisbon & London. 2011
- *Endangered Radio Band*, Palazzo delle Arti, Naples. 2009
- *Oscillatomium*, Atomium, Brussels, live in London, Lisbon, New York & Brussels. 2008
- *Clingradio Zurich*, Radio LoRa, Zurich. 2007
- *Tonic Train vs. P4*, The Morning Show, DR Radio P4, Denmark. 2007
- *Dinner for Two*, Art's Birthday, ORF Kunstradio, Vienna. 2007

### **Curation**

- Artistic Director, Radio Art Zone, as part of European Capital of Culture Esch22. Luxembourg, 2022
- Curator, Radio Revolten festival, Halle (Salle), Germany. 2015-2016
- Co-founder, Radia international radio art network, International. 2004
- Co-founder, Resonance FM, London, UK. 2002
- Director, London Musicians' Collective, London, UK. 2001-2004

### **Group and solo exhibitions**

- *Under the Hood – Clingradio*, rainy days festival, Philharmonie, Luxembourg. 2023
- *Radiophonic Spaces*, Museum Tinguely, Basel, HKW, Berlin, Bauhaus-Universität, Weimar. 2018/2019
- *Under the Hood – Clingradio*, SAVVY Contemporary, Berlin, Germany. 2017
- *In the Air We Share*, Radio Revolten, Halle (Saale), Germany. 2016
- *Mobile Radio BSP*, São Paulo Art Bienal, São Paulo, Brazil. 2012
- *Klingelpütz Parkuhr*, Art Special, Cologne, Germany. 2010

### **Publications & Catalogues**

- Sarah Washington, *Radio Art Zone*, Hatje Cantz. 2023
- Knut Aufermann, Helen Hahmann, Sarah Washington, Ralf Wendt, *Radio Revolten – 30 Days of Radio Art*, Spector Books, Leipzig. Chapters: Under the Skin, Cabaret, and Rituals. 2019
- Luis Pérez-Oramas, André Severo, Tobi Maier, Isabela Villanueva, *Catalogue Thirtieth Bienal de São Paulo*, exhibition catalogue, São Paulo, Brazil. Artist feature. 2012
- Galen Joseph-Hunter, Penny Duff, Maria Papadomanolaki, *Transmission Arts*, PAJ Publications, New York. Artist feature. 2011