

# 2022 e-fashion

Experimenting with fashion technology, interactivity and e-waste, to include elements in next project.
Glove: various sounds from touching the copper thread or moving the hand.

Role: sewing, basic programming

# Be Like Body Obsolete #4

2021-22

a poetic meditation on age, obsolescence & technology, incorporating dance, video art and multilingual poetry

Role: conception, installation, video, sound, performance

https://suzonfuks.net/be-like-body-obsolete-4 https://suzonfuks.net/e-book-be-like-body

video & reviews e-book



# 2020 HUMAN

from the OBSOLETE series
What makes us HUMAN?
Being able to symbolise, as well
as make, use and develop tools.
In a phase of stripping discarded
technology, I featured printed
circuit boards from various
keyboards in this book.

Role: bookmaking

# 2020 Phones that smart



from the OBSOLETE series
To encourage people to use their
phones as long as possible,
recycle them, and to be aware of
the disparity of access to
Internet, communication and
electricity.



# 2018 Wetland Wander

Art-science project.
Immersive audio-visual installation raising awareness about wetlands' scientific value & beauty.
Wide outreach as showcased in public spaces and on various websites. With Fernanda Adame marine biologist-project leader.

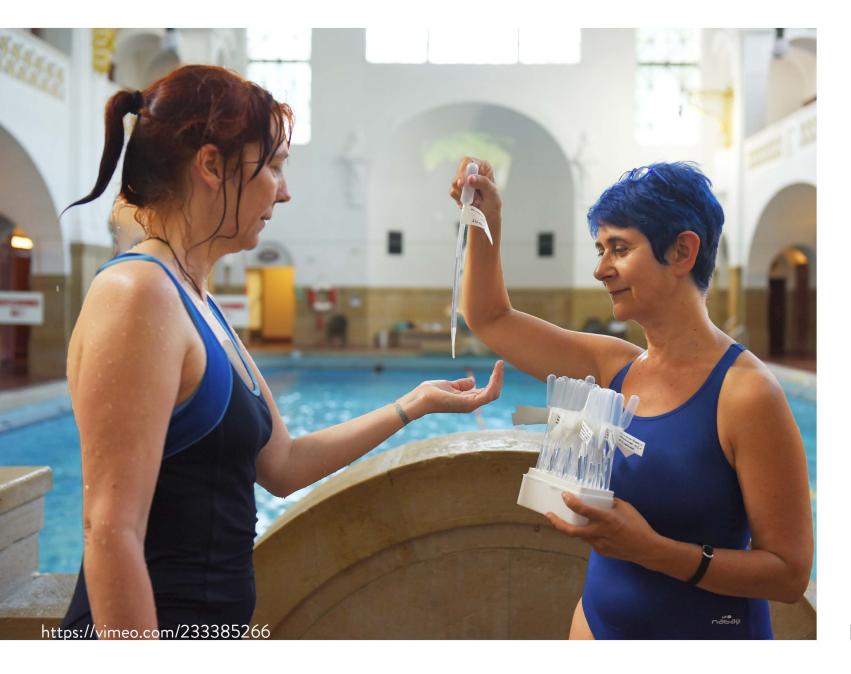
Role: installation & visuals



## 2017 #wecandobetter

Installation performance, takes
the Australian government's
immigration policy of offshore
processing and mandatory
indefinite detention as a starting
point. It questions our empathy
and acceptance of differences,
and explores ways of opening up
to others.

Role: conception, bookmaking, soundtrack, performance



# 2017 the bath drips!

Durational performance: 10 hrs
A poetic & humorous awareness
campaign about water use.
Dripping water into people's
hands, at the old public baths of
Munich, while humming the
funny traditional folk tune "Das
Tröpferlbad" (The Bath Drips) &
generating conversations.

Role: conception & performance



# 2015-17 The Book of Space

Installation performance, collaboration with Jill Greenhalgh. The nurturing power of books, using them poetically to symbolise the transition from analog to digital/virtual realms and to redefine intimate and communal experiences.

University of Aberystwyth, Magdalena Montpellier Festival, Transit Festival in Denmark, Magdalena Sin Fronteras Festival in Cuba & creative residency at Odin Teatret in Denmark.

Role: bookmaking, video-scenography & co-direction

# 2014-15 Fluidata



An explorable installation on deep time, embodied presence & metaphors relating to the straight line & the meander.
At designated times, performed durational actions live—simultaneously streamed online on Waterwheel.

https://vimeo.com/137190759 https://vimeo.com/137508042

installation performance

Role: conception, installation, video-scenography, performance online & on site



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Waterwheel is an interactive, collaborative platform for sharing media and ideas about water.

Upload media at the Media Centre & host or watch events at the Tap.

https://vimeo.com/suzon/waterwheel

### 2011-16 Waterwheel

Online art-science platform on the theme & issues of Water, which has sparked collaborations, presentations & innovative performances by 1,500+ artists, scientists, activists, teachers & young people from 34 countries. Archived since 2016.

Role: founder, concept, organisation, coordination, performance & curation



# 2009-12 Fellowships

Australia Council for the Arts and Copeland Fellowships, to experiment online performance & screedance (extended scenography). Waterwheel installation explored online & onsite interactions

Role: researcher

# wed up in suzon screen, after in h https://vimeo.com/8631778

# 2007-2012 ActiveLayers

Online collaboration with Cherry
Truluck (UK), Liz Bryce (NZ) &
James Cunningham (AU),
exploring a variety of media &
Internet performance
software/platforms, in real time
from different physical locations
& across different time zones.

Role: researcher, media maker & performer



### https://vimeo.com/suzon/fragmentation

# 2008 Fragmentation

Even though technology links people, it can also fragment their lives. Two guys, absorbed in their morning paper and their personal space "bubble", somehow manage to find a disjointed connection with one another.

Performers: James Cunningham & Rob Tannion

Role: direction, camera, sound, editing



# 2006-08 Mirage

Installation performance loop.
Interactive labyrinth of perceptual illusion with the performer in a reflective pool of water amongst multi-dimensional projections.

Collaboration with James Cunningham, choreographer & performer

Role: research, direction, video-scenography



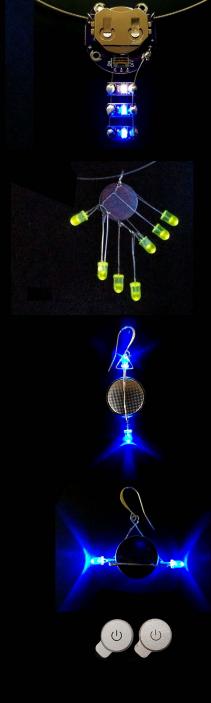
# since 2003 networked performance

Pioneering
internet/online /networked
performance
on various platforms
here exemple on Access Grid

Role: research, coordination, video-scenography, performance

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**SUZON FUKS** is an artivist whose work bridges art, science and the environment using interactive technologies, video, photography, wearable art and bookmaking, all driven by her movement practices. She focuses on water, status of women, asylum seekers, and impact of technology on humanity and the natural world. <a href="https://suzonfuks.net">http://suzonfuks.net</a>

During her Australia Council for the Arts Fellowship (09-12), she initiated & co-founded Waterwheel, a collaborative artscience online venue about Water, nominated for International Ars Electronica Award for Digital Communities 2013, including 1,500+ artists, scientists, activists, teachers & youth from 34 countries & 81 locations (archived since 2016).

Suzon has been Co-Artistic Director with James Cunningham, her long-term collaborator, of the multi-arts organisation Igneous since its inception in 97, and has directed all its productions. <a href="http://igneous.org.au">http://igneous.org.au</a>
Since 2019, she she has designed wearable art repurposing parts from obsolete digital devices.
A multi-award-winner, she was born in Brussels, where she trained in dance, theatre and music at Lilian Lambert Academy (69-76) and completed her Masters in Visual Arts at La Cambre (79–84), a school formed on the Bauhaus philosophy, examining how different artistic disciplines inform each other. She has lived in Australia since 1996. In 2015, she was a facilitator of the 30,000+ visitors to Marina Abramovic's installation "In Residence" in Sydney.

### **EDUCATION**

- VISUAL ARTS MASTERS, La Cambre, Brussels (79–84)
- Performing Arts: classical & contemporary dance, theatre & music, Lilian Lambert & Fernand Shirren (Bejart's musical advisor) (69–76), and superior level in Classical Guitar (76) & Solfege (72), Uccle Music Academy, Brussels
- VARIOUS TRAINING: Ashtanga Yoga, Vipassana Meditation, Body Weather, Feldenkrais, Lecoq, Kalaripayatt & Tai Chi
- IMPROVISATION TECHNIQUES: Al Wunder-Theatre of the Ordinary, Brenda Waite, Andrew Morrish & Tony Osborne

### **AWARDS & NOMINATIONS**

- AUSTRALIAN DANCE ON FILM AWARD for In A Different Space, director of photography & editor for Ripe Dance (18)
- COPELAND FELLOWSHIP & ASSOCIATE RESEARCHER WSRC, Five Colleges, Massachusetts (12)
- Fellowship from Australia Council for the Arts Dance Board (09–12)
- ADJUNCT RESEARCH FELLOW at Edith Cowan University (08–09)
- JURY SPECIAL MENTION for Napolidanza II Coreografo Elettronico Festival for Fragmentation (09)
- GREEN ROOM AWARD for Outstanding Video-Scenography in Theatre (New Form) (08)
- REELDANCE AWARD finalist & AUSTRALIAN DANCE AWARD for DANCE ON FILM nominated for Fragmentation (08)
- Australian Dance Award for Outstanding Achievement in Independent dance short-listed for Mirage (08)
- Honorable Mention (Experimental) Damah Film Festival for *Thanatonauts, Navigators of Death* (05)
- Young Belgian Painting Award nominated for 2 performances & experimental video *Myth...S* (81, 83, 86)
- Major awards, Video & S8 Festival of Brussels, for York News (85) and Sculpt Time (89)
- THE DISCOVERY OF EUROPE AWARD, for Letter to O'Neil, a Chinese Friend from Hong Kong (89)
- AWARDS FOR THE SHOW "THE STRANGE MR KNIGHT" with The Mandragore Theatre:
  - CREATIVITY AWARD & RENE PRAILE MOST INNOVATIVE SHOW AWARD Festival Jeu d'Acteurs, Cannes (87)
  - NEW THEATRE AWARD French Cultural Commission (89)
  - Special Guest Act for Cesars Award Ceremony, Antenne 2 TV (89)
- SPECIAL JURY AWARD Festival Caméra aux Jeunes (88 &90) for Community Cultural Development projects

### **SCHOLARSHIPS & GRANTS**

- WETLAND WANDER received an Advanced Queensland grant to collaborate with Water Ecologist Dr Fernanda Adame (18)
- DEVELOPMENT GRANTS from Arts Queensland & Australia Council to attend residencies at Villa Waldberta (DE), Odin Teatret (DK), festivals in Santa Clara (CU) & Buenos Aires/Pinamar (AG), and Balance /Unbalance Conference in Plymouth (UK) (17)
- FLUIDATA received a CREATIVE SPARKS GRANT, a joint initiative of Brisbane City Council and the Queensland Government through Arts Queensland (15), NEW WORK GRANT from the Australia Council for the Arts (15) and the Queensland Government through Arts Queensland (14–15)
- Fellowship with James Cunningham, The Australian Choreographic Centre (06)
- MENTORSHIP grant from New Media Board of Australia Council to research telematic performance (03)
- RESIDENCY SCHOLARSHIP, Asialink, for a multimedia performing art residency in India (99–00)
- Fellowship, Commonwealth Jewish Council, London, for the catalogue of "Keeping the Light" (97)
- Two Fellowships, Memorial Foundation for Jewish Culture, New York, for the photographic documentation "Keeping the Light" (95, 96).

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### **PERFORMANCES**

- VIDEO-SCENOGRAPHER: On Your Wings performance by & with Amaranta Osorio (Transit Festival, Denmark 22)
- VIDEO-SCENOGRAPHER & OUTSIDE-EYE: What I Did Not Say performance by & with Amaranta Osorio (France, Chile, India, Spain, Denmark, Columbia, Serbia 18–22)
- VIDEO-SCENOGRAPHER: Babel Tower performance directed & written by Nasim Khosravi, Baran Theatre (Brisbane 18)
- DEVISOR, PERFORMER: #wecandobetter installation performance with sculpture books (Germany & Argentina)
- DEVISOR, SOLO-PERFORMER: Das Tröpferlbad durational performance at Munich Muller'sches Volksbad (DE)
- DEVISOR/PERFORMER: Participatory Experience in Darkness & Personal Silence with James Cunningham in Munich underground (DE)
- VIDEO-SCENOGRAPHER & CO-DIRECTOR with Jill Greenhalgh: *The Book of Space* creative development & research Santa Clara–Cuba (17), Holstebro (17 & 16), Aberystwyth & Montpellier (15)
- VIDEO-SCENOGRAPHER & CO-DEVISOR with Dawn Albinger Invitation to Sit with Death Awhile (16)
- DIRECTOR, CO-CHOREOGRAPHER, VIDEO-SCENOGRAPHER Waterwheel Installation Performance (11) & IGNEOUS: Mirage (06), Liquid Skin (Theater der Welt commission, Stuttgart 05), Fragmentation (Nottingham 02), Thanatonauts (02), The Hands Project (01), Body in Question (99)
- VIDEO-SCENOGRAPHER Krinkl (07); Parcours/Felicette Chazerand (03-04); sacredCOW (03-07); Stace Callaghan (03)
- DIRECTOR PARCOURS/FELICETTE CHAZERAND Penelope (04) & TARMAC CIE Le Beau Sejour (90) (B)
- PERFORMER, VIDEOGRAPHER ILOTOPIE (F) Coloured People & Foam in Cage (International tour 92)
- FILM-SCENOGRAPHER, TOUR MANAGER MANDRAGORE THEATRE *The Strange Mister Knight* (Europe, Hong Kong, Morocco, Canada, Australia 87-90)
- DEVISOR, SOLO-PERFORMER Ball of Myths (87), Kaleidoscope (84), New York City, Up & Down II (84), New York City, Up

### **NETWORKED PERFORMANCES - ON INTERNET**

- DIRECTOR, DESIGNER & CYBERFORMER Be Like Body–Obsolete #4, at the online international festivals: Along The Edge Hong Kong (22); Bodies:On:Live Magdalena:On:Line, Mestiza Chile & 30th International Festival Mujeres En Escena Por La Paz in Columbia (21)
- Organiser & Cyberformer Reading of the Nauru Files, a 24hour event on Facebook (17, 18, 19, 20, 21)
- CO-DEVISOR & CYBERFORMER Reariting & Distant Feelings (initiated by Annie Abrahams) (21), Letters to the Earth (19, 20), Fluidata (15), Little Streams Make Big Rivers, The Empress' Tears (14), S.O.S (13); Less than 6 Feet, Shadows XXX (12); Waterwheel Installation Performance, Angry Women (initiated by Annie Abrahams) (11-12); Sprinkler Fountain, S/Zports (10); 5th Wall, Durito's Dancing Box Manifesto, Machine Divas (09); Calling Home, RX-Egogo (08); Interface, The Old Hotel & Rejection (07).
- BRISBANE NODE ORGANISER & PERFORMER Backyard Dances for Electrosmog festival (10)
- STREAMING COORDINATOR & PERFORMER TANK MAN TANGO STREAMING with 8 cities on 4 continents (09)
- BRISBANE NODE ORGANISER DIAL (day in a life) event with Munich, Brighton UK, Skopie Macedonia & Curitiba Brasil (08)
- FOUNDING MEMBER ACTIVELAYERS, globally dispersed cyber-troupe (08) co-devising and performing: *Aquifer Fountain* (10); *Improvs* on Selfworld (09); *Calling Home* in 3 parts (08);
- CREATOR SUZON KURKURA Second Life avatar, member of Odyssey Contemporary Art & Performance

### **EXHIBITIONS**

- OBSOLETE SERIES artist books at ABBE 2020, Artists Book Exhibition Fair, part of ARLIS/ANZ Biennial Conference
- WETLAND WANDER immersive installation at Redland Art Gallery & Performing Arts Centre (19), White Box Gallery (Gold Coast 18) & Queensland Conservatorium (Brisbane 18)
- FLUIDATA soundscape at Plymouth University, UK (17) for Balance/UnBalance Conference 2017
- FLUIDATA an immersive experiential installation hosted by QUT Creative Industries Precinct, The Block (15)
- CONVERGENCE/DIVERGENCE Curator for the Women Environmental Artists Directory (WEAD) of the online symposium and the exhibition at Los Medanos College Art Gallery, Pittsburg, California (12–13)
- THE FOURTH STATE OF WATER, from Micro to Macro Centre of Contemporary Art Torun, Poland (12)
- CARGO VISION Munich Opera Festival exhibition curated by Anna-Catharina Gebbers (09)
- KEEPING THE LIGHT, a diary of South India, photographic solo-exhibition which toured from 97 to 01 to 7 capital cities around the world (Sydney, Melbourne, New York, Washington, London, Brussels, Tel Aviv).
- CELEBRATION OF ABILITY, an Australian national exhibition touring Parliament Houses (96)
- THE MOVEABLE FEAST, Jewish Museum of Australia, Melbourne (96)
- numerous group exhibitions in galleries and museums in Belgium, France and Canada (80–86).

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