

OZIOMA ONUZULIKE

b. 1972 in Achi, Oji River LGA, Enugu State, Nigeria Lives and works in Nigeria

EDUCATION

2010	Post-Doctoral Research, Centre of African Studies, School of Oriental and African
	Studies, University of London, UK
2008	Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture, Skowhegan, Maine, USA
2007	Ph.D. (Art History), University of Nigeria, Nsukka
	Dissertation: "Creative Individualism and Innovation in Ceramic Art: A Study of the
	Works of Benjo Igwilo and Chris Echeta"
2001	M.F.A. (Ceramic Art), University of Nigeria, Nsukka
	Project Report: "Transgressing the Boundaries: Ceramic Elements in Mixed Media
	Sculptures"
1996	B.A. (1st Class Honours), Fine and Applied Arts (Ceramics Major), University of Nigeria,
	Nsukka
	Thesis: "Inyi Traditional Pottery: A Study of Forms and Functions"

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2023	MARC STRAUS, New York, NY
2022	Ozioma Onuzulike: Strings the Length of Our Palm's Seal, ChertLüdde Gallery, Berlin
2021	Ozioma Onuzulike: The Way We Are, KO Gallery, Ikoyi, Lagos, Nigeria
2019	Ozioma Onuzulike: Seed Yams of Our Land, Centre for Contemporary Art, Lagos, Nigeria
2018	Ozioma Onuzulike: Beyond Pots and Plates, Nnamdi Azikiwe Library, University of Nigeria, Nsukka, Nigeria
2008	Ozioma Onuzulike: Ceramics and Frescoes, Fresco Barn/Sculpture Yard, Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture, Maine, USA
2003	Excavating Civitella, Civitella Ranieri Center, Umbertide, Italy
2003	Casualties, Maison de France, Ikoyi, Lagos, Nigeria
2000	Earth to Art: Ceramics and Mixed Media Sculptures, National Museum, Enugu, Nigeria
1998	Uli Ati Ona: Recent Paintings and Drawings, Ondo State Library Complex, Akure, Nigeria
1997	Stories in Clay, Charcoal and Ink from Nsukka, University Library, Federal University of Technology, Akure, Nigeria
1996	Dry Season: Earthenware and Stoneware Plaques, ANA Gallery, University of Nigeria, Nsukka
1995	Stocktaking: Ceramics, Drawings, Paintings and Photographs. Institute of African Studies Museum, University of Nigeria, Nsukka, Nigeria



GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2023	HOW WE LIVE, Hudson Valley MOCA, Peekskill, NY Transformations: Nsukka Artists on Africa's Political and Economic History, Institute of African Studies Museum, University of Nigeria, Nsukka. Textile Welten ("Textile Worlds"), Die Neue Sammlung, Munich, Germany
2022	Ce Que Nous Donne La Terre ("What the Earth Gives"), Afikaris Gallery, Paris, France [Re:]Entanglements: Colonial Collections in Decolonial Times, Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology, Cambridge.
2021	Reflections and Reactions: COVID-19 Pandemic in Perspectives, Obiora Udechukwu Gallery, Department of Fine and Applied Arts, University of Nigeria, Nsukka, Nigeria
2018	Orchids for Ola Oloidi (an exhibition in honour of AHAN's founding president in conjunction with the 2018 AHAN conference), Obiora Udechukwu Gallery, Department of Fine and Applied Arts, University of Nigeria, Nsukka, Nigeria
2017	Nkolika: Nsukka after Fifty Years - Jubilee Exhibition of the Department of Fine and Applied Arts, University of Nigeria, Nsukka, Nigeria, Nnamdi Azikiwe Library, University of Nigeria, Nsukka
2015	Anya Fulu Ugo: Exhibition in Honour of El Anatsui and Obiora Udechukwu, Nnamdi Azikiwe Library, University of Nigeria, Nsukka, Nigeria
2013	Artstaff Exhibition, Nnamdi Azikiwe Library, University of Nigeria, Nsukka, Nigeria
2011	Artstaff Exhibition, Nnamdi Azikiwe Library, University of Nigeria, Nsukka, Nigeria
2009	1st Festival on Igbo Civilization Art Exhibition (in Commemoration of the Golden Jubilee
	of Chinua Achebe's Things Fall Apart), Ofu Obi Africa Centre, Independence Layout
	Enugu, Nigeria
2008	World One Minute, Beijing Today Art Museum, China
	Experimental Frontiers: Society through the Eyes of South African and Nigerian Artists, Cape African Platform, Cape Town, South Africa
2007	Clay Without Borders (Nigeria/Norway/Sweden), National Museum, Onikan, Lagos Abundance of Nature: CerAN Annual Exhibition, Delta State University Library, Abraka, Delta State
2005	CERAN Annual Ceramics Exhibition, ANA Gallery, Department of Fine and Applied Arts, University of Nigeria, Nsukka
	45th Founders' Day Anniversary Exhibition, Ana Gallery, Department of Fine and Applied Arts, University of Nigeria, Nsukka
	The Rediscovery of Tradition: Uli and the Politics of Culture, Alliance Francaise, Enugu; Pendulum Gallery, Lagos; Jean Welz Gallery, Worcester, South Africa
	Visual Orchestra 2005, French Cultural Centre, Abuja, Nigeria
2004	Earthworks 2004: 8th CPAN Annual National Exhibition of Ceramics, FCT Council for Art and Culture, Abuja, Nigeria
2002	Visual Orchestra 2004, Alliance Francaise, Enugu, Nigeria GRAFINNOVA 2002: 8TH International Exhibition of Prints and Drawings, Ostrobothian
= ~~	Museum, Vaasa, Finland
	Earthworks 2002: 6th CPAN Annual National Exhibition of Ceramics, National Museum, Lagos
	7th International Group show of the Global Culture Centre, National Museum, Enugu,



2004	Nigeria Changing Attitudes: Afrika Heritage 2002: 4th PACA Biennale, Nimbus Art Centre/Pendulum Gallery/Viv's Gallery/National Museum, Lagos, Nigeria
2001	Echoes, Cities and Artists in Nigeria, Institute of African Studies Museum, University of Ibadan, Nigeria
	Visual Orchestra 2001, Nimbus Art Centre, Lagos, Nigeria
	New Energies (Curated by El Anatsui), Mydrim Gallery/Nimbus Art Centre, Ikoyi, Lagos,
	Nigeria
2000	Visual Orchestra: 10th Anniversary Exhibition, Art Nouveaux Gallery, Port Harcourt,
	Nigeria
	Crossroads: Africa in the Twilight: 3rd PACA Biennale, National Museum, Enugu, Nigeria
	(26-31 August); Didi Museum, Lagos, Nigeria
1999	Textures of a Cosmos, National Museum, Enugu, Nigeria
	Visual Orchestra '99, British Council, Enugu, Nigeria
1998	Songs of Gold, FCT Council for Arts and Culture, Abuja, Nigeria
1997	Afrika Heritage '97: 2nd PACA Biennale, Didi Museum, Lagos, Nigeria
1996	Dance of the Lyrical Lines '96, National Museum, Enugu, Nigeria
1995	Afrika Heritage: 1st PACA Biennale, Didi Museum, Lagos, Nigeria

TEACHING

2014-	Professor, Department of Fine and Applied Arts, University of Nigeria, Nsukka, Nigeria.
2009	Senior Lecturer, Department of Fine and Applied Arts, University of Nigeria, Nsukka,
	Nigeria.
2006	Lecturer I, Department of Fine and Applied Arts, University of Nigeria, Nsukka, Nigeria.
2003	Lecturer II, Department of Fine and Applied Arts, University of Nigeria, Nsukka, Nigeria.
1997-98	Industrial Design Department, Federal University of Technology, Akure, Nigeria
	(Taught Drawing, Photography and Ceramic Design under the National Youth Service
	Corps scheme).

ACADEMIC/PROFESSIONAL PRIZES AND AWARDS

2018	ACLS African Humanities Programme Writing Residency Award
	(For completing book manuscript on the history of modern ceramics development in
	West Africa since 1900)
2011	African Humanities Postdoctoral Fellowship Award of the American Council of Learned
	Societies (ACLS)
	(For field research and writing in Nigeria and Ghana on the history of modern Nigerian
	ceramics in the 20th century)
2010	Leventis Postdoctoral Research Fellowship, Centre of African Studies, SOAS, University
	of London
	(For archival and library research on the history of modern ceramics in Nigeria in the
	colonial period, especially 1930-1960)
2008	Skowhegan Scholarship, Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture, Skowhegan,
	Maine, USA.



(Artist Summer Residency)

2006 Highly Commended Prize, Interpreting Ceramics 'Speak for Yourself' Competition 2005 Distinguished Alumnus Award, University of Nigeria, Nsukka 2003 Civitella Ranieri Fellow (Visual Art) 2001 UNESCO-ASCHBERG Bursary (Visual Art). Craft Potters Association of Nigeria (CPAN) Prize (For Best Research Report on Nigerian Traditional Pottery) 1998 Ondo State of Nigeria Merit Award (For Most Outstanding Corps Member - National Youth Service Corps) 1996 National Council for Arts and Culture Prize (For Best Overall Graduating Student in the Department of Fine and Applied Arts, University of Nigeria, Nsukka, Nigeria) ARTGRADS-UNN Prize (For Best Project Report by a Graduating Student of the Department of Fine and Applied Arts, University of Nigeria, Nsukka, Nigeria) Departmental Prize (For Best Final Year Student of the Department of Fine and Applied Arts, University of Nigeria, Nsukka, Nigeria) Faculty Prize (For Best Final Year Student of the Faculty of Arts, University of Nigeria, Nsukka, Nigeria) **PUBLICATIONS** 2022 Onuzulike, O. Ladi Kwali: Ceramics, Art, and Modernism Between Africa and America, 1961-1972. In Perrin M. Lathrop (ed.) African Modernism in America. New York: American Federation of the Arts, pp.55-61;134-135. 2019 Onuzulike, O. An Interview with Erasmus Onyishi, in Erasmus Onyishi, Icing on Burnt Cake: A Tribute to El Anatsui at 75. Lagos: Thought Pyramid Art Centre, pp.27-29. Onuzulike, O. Igwebuike: Aesthetics of the Critical Mass. Enugu: National Gallery of Art, pp. 3-5. Onuzulike, O. Eva Obodo: Looking and Seeing through Language. Eva Obodo: Ngwugwu (Packages), an Exhibition of Recent Works, pp.6-8. 2017 Onuzulike, O. Michael Cardew and the Making of a New Ceramic Art and Design Modernism in Nigeria in the 1950s and 60s. This is Africa Traditional Design, Modern and Contemporary.

Onuzulike, O. *Creating My Hand-Made Ceramic Vessels*. This is Africa: Traditional Design, Modern and Contemporary.

Onuzulike, O. *May Okafor and the Aesthetic of Austerity*. Of Consummates and Cannibalism, 2017.

Buhari, Jerry. *Jerry Buhari's Era of Anarchy and Pain*. Framed Images of Time and Memories.

2013 Dahn, Jo & Jeffrey Jones. *My Hands in Clay and Other Media: The 'Casualties' Project*. Interpreting Ceramics: Selected Essays.

Life in My City Art Festival. Of Agents and Agencies of Creative Nurture. 2013.

2012 Nkala, N.O. & Onuzulike, O. *The Writings of Demas Nwoko*. Ezumeezu: Essays on

Nigerian Art and Architecture: A Festschrift in Honour of Demas Nwoko.

2011 Anueyiagu, Okey. *Pictorial Scripture and Colourful Lines: The Art of Onyema Offoedu-Okeke*. Contemporary African Art: My Private Collection of Onyema Offoedu-Okeke.



2010	Onuzulike, O. Of Independence Euphoria and Postcolonial Realities: Social History and Political Critique in Contemporary Nigerian Visual Art: A Perspective. National Cultural & Historical Exhibition: The Journey of Our Independence.
2009	Anichebe, Obiora. Art Objects as Visual Emblems of Cultural Development: The Example of Traditional and Modern Igbo Pottery Art. Nsukka: Afro-Orbis Publications.
2007	Vincent Egwu, Ali. The Making of Traditional Pottery Vessels in Africa: A Case Study of the Inyi of South-Eastern Nigeria. Nsukka: Afro-Orbis Publications.
2006	Bright Ugochukwu Eke: Environs-Scope. Presenting the 'Unpresentable': Bright Eke's Installation Art. Lagos: Goethe-Institut.
2005	Onuzulike, O. The Fulfillment of a Vision: AKA in the Eyes of a Young Art Critic. Enugu: AKA Circle of Exhibiting Artists.
	Ikwuemesi, C. Krydz & Emeka Agbayi. Uli as a Paradigm of Art and Creativity:
	Reflections of Inyi Traditional Pottery and Two Ceramic Artists of the Nsukka School. The
	Discovery of Tradition: Uli and the Politics of Culture, pp.65-82.
2004	Akinbogun, Tolu L. The Potter's Wheel Yesterday and Today: A Historical Survey of the
	Origin and Development of Man's Earliest Machine. Nigerian Crafts and Techniques,
	pp.75-85.
	Obodo, Eva. Sewing Pieces, Tying Meanings: Eva Obodo's Sculptures 1999-2003.
	Lagos: Goethe-Institut, pp.3-6.
2003	Kainebi, Osahenye. Mapping a Continent Under Seige: Kainebi Osahenye's 'Cross Series. Lagos: Goethe-Institut, pp.6-28.
2002	Ikwuemesi, C. Krydz. Installation and Conceptual Wetin?: Current Art in Nigeria and
2002	Questions of Authenticity, Identity and Relevance. Changing Attitudes: 4th Biennale of
	the Pan-African Circle of Artists, pp.13-20.
2001	Spiesse, Emmanuelle. Echoes in Nigerian Cities: Ozioma Onuzulike Interviews Jerry
	Buhari. Ibadan: French Institute for Research in Africa.
	Ikwuemesi, C. Krydz & Ayo Adewunmi. Representing Art: Nsukka Students' Art 1998-
	2000. Enugu: The Pan-African Circle of Artists, pp.7-16.
1999	Onuzulike, O. Introduction - The Stammerer Has Called His Father's Name. Enugu:
	Visual Orchestra, pp.3-6.
1996	Igwilo, Benjo. Appreciation: As the Weaver Weaves. Tradition and Modernity, pp.8-10.
1995	Onuzulike, O. Art: What Role in Society?. Berlin: Configura-Project, pp.52-3.

Journal Articles

2020	Traditional Paradigm as Dividing Wall: Formal Analysis in the Study of African Ceramic Art Modernism. Critical Interventions: Journal of African Art History and Visual Culture.
2018	Rural and Urban Locales as Complements: Reflections on the Contexts of Ceramic Art
	Practice in West Africa. Critical Interventions: Journal of African Art History and Visual
	Culture.
2016	The Making of National Ceramics Exhibitions of the Craft Potters
	Association of Nigeria (CPAN): An Historical and Critical Perspective,
	InterpretingCeramics International E-Journal of Ceramics, Issue 17.
2015	Art Auctions in Nigeria: A Commentary. Critical Interventions: Journal of African Art
	History and Visual Culture.



The Apotoyowa (Grinding Bowl) of Ghana. Ceramics Technical. Pottery Painting in West Africa. Ceramics Technical. 2014 Setordji, Kofi. Retrospective, 1997-2012. African Arts, Vol.47, No.1, Spring, pp.85-87. Obodo, Eva & Onuzulike, O. From Waste to Art: Teju Olarenwaju's Sculptural Essays on Climate Change and Environmental Degradation. International Journal of Research in Arts and Social Sciences, Vol. 7 No.1, pp. 295-304. Nigeria Magazine in the Critical Discourse of Modern and Contemporary Art in Nigeria. International Journal of Research in Arts and Social Sciences, Vol. 7 No.2, pp.62-72. 2013 Emergence of Modern Ceramics in Nigeria: The Kenneth Murray Decade, 1929-1939. Journal of Modern Craft, Vol.6, No.3., pp.293-314. Onuzulike, O. & Obodo, E. Chris Afuba's 'Head' Sculptures. CPAN Journal of Ceramics, Nos. 4&5, pp.84-90. Chris Echeta in Conversation: Ceramics in the Nigerian National Gallery of Art Collection. CPAN Journal of Ceramics, Nos. 4&5, pp.103-108. 2012 Onuzulike, O. & Obodo, E. Clay Comments on Our Environment: Ngozi Omeje and Her Installations. Ashakwu: Journal of Ceramics, Vol.9, pp.1-9. Onuzulike, O. & Obodo, E. Environmental and Climate Change Issues in the Works of Some Nigerian Visual Artists. Journal of Liberal Studies, Vol.15, No.1, pp.100-8. 2010 Ojie, G. N. & Onuzulike, O. Ceramic Metaphors: The Installation Art of Ngozi Omeje. Ceramics: Art and Perception, No. 80, pp.66-9. Pushing the Boundaries of Ceramic Art Tradition in Nigeria: Notes on the 'Suyascape' Project. Interpreting Ceramics: International E-Journal of Ceramics, Issue 11. 2009 Ojie, G. N. & Onuzulike, O. Fragile Security: Alozie Onyirioha's Recent Works. Ceramics: Art and Perception, No. 75, pp.45-50. Tableware Installations as Art Form: The Tea Set Example. Abraka Humanities Review, Vol.2 No.2., pp.14-22. Towards the Unique and the Light-Weight: Carving the Ceramic Vessel. CPAN Journal of Ceramics, Nos. 2&3, pp.54-59. Agberia, John T. Ladi Kwali: A Study of Indigenous and Modern Techniques of Abuja Pottery. CPAN Journal of Ceramics, Nos. 2&3, pp.122-5. 2008 Chris Echeta's Ceramic Chronicles of Nigeria. Critical Ceramics. Towards Artistic Hide-and-Seek: Osahenye Kainebi's 'Erasures' Series. The Studio: A Journal of Contemporary Art Practice and Theory, Issue 2008, pp.1-9. 2006 Towards the Transformations of Traditionality: Design Sources in Benjo Igwilo's Ceramic Art. Journal of Creative Art, Vol.6 No.1&2, pp.1-18. 2005 Communicating the Historical: Critical Social Commentaries in African Popular Paintings and Cartoon-Strip Posters. International Journal of Communication: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Communication Studies, Vol. 2, No.2, pp.10-17. Benjo Igwilo: Profile of a Master Studio Potter. Ashakwu: Journal of Ceramics, Vol. 2, No. 1, June. PACA Biennale and the Nigerian Art Scene: Conversation with Bisi Silva. Agufon: Journal of the Arts and Architecture, Vol. 2, No. 4, pp.16-19. Idioms of Difference: The 'Promoter of Nigerian Art 6' Exhibition. Uso: Nigerian Journal of Art, Vol.4, Nos 1&2, pp.7-10.

El Anatsui: A Sculpted History of Africa. Uso: Nigerian Journal of Art, Vol.4, Nos 1&2,



pp.193-196.

Casualties: Exploring Clay and Found Materials as Creative Media for Conceptual Art.

Environ: Journal of Environmental Studies, Vol.2 No.4, September.

2004 Towards Professional Visibility: The History of Ceramics Associations in Nigeria. CPAN

Journal of Ceramics, No.1, November.

Ceramics without Borders. Ceramics - Technical, No.18, pp.72-4.

2003 Coded Aesthetics of the Drying Line: Images of Power and Politics in Blaise Gundu

Gbaden's the Emir's Palace. Journal of University Media and Aesthetics, Vol.1, No.3,

pp.45-62.

2002 Symbolic Rocks: The Creative Re-interpretations of Vincent Osuji. Agufon: Journal of the

Arts and Architecture, Vol.2, No.3, pp.15-17.

Current Issues in Contemporary Nigerian Art Practice: Conversation with Osa Egonwa.

Agufon: Journal of the Arts and Architecture, Vol. 2, No. 3, pp.18-23.

Echoes, Cities and Artists in Nigeria. Environ: Journal of Environmental Studies, Vol.2,

No.1, June.

Fourth PACA Biennale. Art South Africa, Vol. 1, Issue 02, Summer, p.60.

Creative Encounters: The 'IMT' Retrospective. Journal of Creative Arts, Vol. 4, No. 1,

pp.135-139.

2001 Marcia Kure: Not Just a Cloth. NKA: Journal of Contemporary African Art, No. 15,

Fall/Winter, p.85.

2000 Clay Coils as Metaphor: Vincent Ali's Recent Art. Journal of Creative Arts. Vol. 1, No. 2,

December.

PUBLISHED ILLUSTRATIONS AND DESIGNS

2002 Book Cover Illustration for E.J. Otagburuagu and C.B. Nze, Studying in the University: A

Guide to a Successful Undergraduate Career. (Nsukka: Fulladu Publishing Co.).

2000 One Mixed Media Sculpture in Crossroads: Africa in the Twilight. Chike C. Aniakor and

C. Krydz Ikwuemesi (eds.) (Abuja: National Gallery of Art), p.34.

1999 Four Drawings in Okike: An African Journal of New Writing (No. 41), front cover, pp.

16,120, 128.

1998 Book Cover Design (with Sola Olufemi) for Akure's Gold: Anthology of Poems and

Drawings (Akure: NYSC).

Book Cover Design (with Sola Olufemi) for Talents: Anthology of Poems and Drawings

(Akure: NYSC).

Book Cover Design (with Sola Olufemi) for New Voices from Akure: Anthology of Poems

and Drawings (Akure: NYSC).

Twelve Drawings and Two Ceramic Designs in New Voices from Akure: Anthology of

Poems (Akure: NYSC), pp. iii, vii, 4, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 17, 21, 25, 29, 37.

Three Drawings and Five Ceramic Designs in Okike: An African Journal of New Writing

(No. 38), front cover, pp. v, vi, 4, 7, 28, 78 and 102.

Four Ceramic Designs in Okike: An African Journal of New Writing (No. 40), front cover,

pp. 24, 79 and 106.

Two Ceramic Designs in Glendora: African Quarterly on the Arts (Vol. 2, No.4), pp. 11-12

1997 Book Cover Design for Edem Peters: Impact (Nsukka: Department of Fine and Applied



Arts, University of Nigeria).

1996 Book Cover Design for Ozioma Onuzulike: Dry Season: Earthenware and Stoneware

Plagues (Nsukka: Department of Fine and Applied Arts, University of Nigeria).

1995 Book Cover Design for Ekanem Johnson: Footprints (Nsukka: Department of Fine and

Applied Arts, University of Nigeria).

1993 Book Cover Design for Ozioma Onuzulike: Stocktaking (Nsukka: Department of Fine and

Applied Arts, University of Nigeria).

Book Cover Design for Benjo Igwilo: Tradition and Modernity (Nsukka: Enekwe Research

Centre).

CREATIVE WRITING (SELECT)

2019 Seed Yams of Our Land (Poems on Nigeria's National Youth Service Corps Scheme with

ceramic sculptures by the author), Lagos, Nigeria: Centre for Contemporary Art

2003 Onuzulike, Ozioma. Snails of Umbertide and Other Poems (with sculptures, and

photographs by the author). Umbertide, Italy: Civitella Ranieri Centre

2002 Two Poems in Artytude: Dreams Alive (Nsukka: Department of Fine and Applied Arts,

University of Nigeria), pp. 3, 28.

Fifteen Poems in Apples of Gold: A Pageant of Modern Nigerian Poetry Otagburuagu

E.J. and Okoro Fidelis (eds.) (Enugu: Rainbow Publishers Ltd.), pp.179-205.

2001 Twenty-five poems in http://afropoets.tripod.com

One Poem in Passport to a New World. Ayewanu Sunny (ed.) (Lagos: Apex Books Ltd.),

p.91.

2000 One Short Story ("Death of a Refuge Boy") in Okike: An African Journal of New Writing

No. 45, pp.38-43.

1999 One Short Story ("Cassaflakes for Lunch") in ANA Enugu Anthology of Creative

Writing. Ezugu M.A. (ed.) (Enugu: Jamoe Enterprises), pp. 128-132.

Two Poems in ANA Enugu Anthology of Creative Writing. Ezugu M.A. (ed.) (Enugu:

Jamoe Enterprises), pp. 58-59.

1998 One Short Story ("A Box of Earth") in Okike: An African Journal of New Writing No.39,

pp.13-19.

CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS & ARTIST RESIDENCIES

2019 "Art Schools: Histories and Trajectories": 2019 Annual Conference co-organised by the

Doha Institute for Graduate Studies and Mathaf: Arab Museum of Modern Art, Doha,

Qatar, 25 - 27 November.

Paper Presented: "Nsukka Art School: Origins and Trajectories"

Art Criticism Workshop, National Gallery of Art, Enugu

2018 "The Harvest is Plenty but the Labourers are Few": 2018 Conference of the Art Historical

Association of Nigeria (AHAN), Department of Fine and Applied Arts, University of

Nigeria, Nsukka, 18-21 July.

Paper Presented: "'Follow-Follow' Scholarship: The Problem of Armchair Research in

Nigerian Art and Design History".

2017 "Positioning Nigerian Modernism" Conference, on the occasion of Ben Enwonwu's



centenary, Tate Modern, London, 28-29 September.

Paper presented: "Michael Cardew and the Making of Ceramic Art Modernism in Nigeria in the 1950s and 60s"

2017 Triennial Conference of the Arts Council of the African Studies Association (ACASA), University of Ghana, Legon, Ghana, 8-13 August.

Paper Presented (with Eva Obodo): "Ceramic Art of the Nsukka Art School since the 1970s".

Iwalewa Haus Lecture Series, Iwalewa Haus, University of Bayreuth, Germany, 5 July. Paper presented: "The Ceramic Art of El Anatsui".

7th European Conference on African Studies (ECAS), University of Basel, Switzerland. 29 June - 1st July.

Paper presented: "Abbas Ahuwan and the Making of a 'Globalocal' Ceramics Aesthetic".

"Art History Re-Written: Contributing to the History of Postcolonial Modernism" Workshop, Margaret Trowel School of Fine and Industrial Art, Makerere, Kampala, Uganda. 31st August – 5th September.

Paper presented: "The Emergence of Modernism in Nsukka in the 1970s".

"(Hi)Stories of Exhibition making/1960-1990" Symposium, National Museum, Kampala, Uganda. 4 September.

Paper presented (with Chijioke Onuora): "Exhibition Making in Nsukka and Enugu, Nigeria: 1970s-1990s".

13th Annual National Conference of the Ceramics Researchers Association of Nigeria, Energy Centre, University of Nigeria, Nsukka, Nigeria.

Paper presented (with Chijioke Onuora): "The ceramic Art of Benjo Igwilo".

2015 Anya Fulu Ugo: Interdisciplinary African Art Conference in Honour of El Anatsui and Obiora Udechukwu, Energy Centre, University of Nigeria, Nsukka, Nigeria, June 24-27. Paper presented (with Iheanyi Onwuegbucha): "Igwe Bu Ike: El Anatsui and Recent Art from Nsukka".

> 11th Annual National Conference of the Ceramics Researchers Association of Nigeria, Federal University of Technology, Akure, Nigeria, September 1-5.

> Paper presented: "The Ceramicvoice: Reflections on Ozioma Onuzulike's Mixed Media Sculptures, 2003-2008"

16th Symposium of the Arts Council of the African Studies Association, Brooklyn Museum, New York, March 19-22.

on the National Exhibitions of the Craft Potters Association of Nigeria, 1996-2006." 10th Annual National Conference of the Ceramics Association of Nigeria, University

Paper presented: "Nigerian Contemporary Ceramics and Voiceless Displays: Reflections

of Uyo, Uyo, Nigeria, November 12-16.

Paper presented (with May Ngozi Okafor and Chukwuemeka Nwigwe): "Social Commitment in Contemporary Nigerian Ceramic Art: Politics, Politicians and the Nigerian State."

International Interdisciplinary Conference/Chinua Achebe Annual Lecture, Faculty of Arts, University of Nigeria, Nsukka, Nigeria, April 23-28.

Paper presented (with Eva Obodo): "From Waste to Art: Teju Olanrewaju's Sculptural Essays on Climate Change and Environmental Degradation".

Indigenous knowledge and Global Changes in Africa: The Challenges in the 21st

2016

2011



Century, International Conference of the Institute of African Studies, University of Nigeria, Nsukka, Nigeria, 8-11 June.

Paper presented (with Ngozi Omeje): "The African 'Raku': Scientific and Aesthetic Notes on the Nrobo Traditional Pottery of Uzo-Uwani, South-eastern Nigeria"

2011 Annual National Conference of the Ceramics Association of Nigeria (CerAN) on "Ceramics and the Environment", Department of Fine and Applied Arts, University of Benin, Ekenwan Campus, Benin City, Nigeria, November 14-18.

Paper presented (with Eva Obodo): "Clay Comments on Our Environment: Ngozi Omeje and Her Installations"

2010 UCL West Africa Seminar, Anthropology Department, University College London, October.

Paper presented: "Before and After Michael Cardew: Modern Ceramics in Nigeria Since 1904".

"In Dialogue", Goethe-Institut Workshop on Ecology and Climate Change, Department of Fine and Applied Arts, University of Nigeria, Nsukka, November 17 – December 2. Paper presented: (With Eva Obodo): "From El Anatsui to Nnenna Okore: Nsukka Artists and Climate/Environmental Change Discourse"

Revisiting Modernization International Conference, University of Ghana, Legon, 27-31 July 2009.

Paper presented: "Emerging Art and Artists from Nigeria (Nsukka): El Anatsui as Creative Fount".

Art-Is-Everywhere Artist Workshop, Institute of Management and Technology (IMT), Enugu, September.

Paper presented: "'Artists are Better Off Working with Whatever their Environment Throws Up': Transformations of the Commonplace in Contemporary Nigerian Art".

Skowhegan International Summer Art Residency, Skowhegan School of Sculpture and Painting, Skowhegan, Maine, USA, June 14 – August 18, 2008.

Paper/Slides presented: "Of Violence and the Human Condition around the World: Ten Images from the Skowhegan File".

Art Historical Association of Nigeria Conference on "Art and Art History Today in Nigeria" (Department of Fine and Applied Arts, University of Nigeria, Nsukka), Nov. 27-30.

Paper presented: "Towards a Unique Voice in Ceramic Art: Chris Echeta's Auchi Period" National Conference of the Ceramics Association of Nigeria on "Ceramics and Sustainable Development in Nigeria" (Department of Fine and Applied Arts, Delta State University, Abraka), October 9-12.

Paper presented: "The Ceramics Artist and Nigeria's Social History: Chris Echeta's Satirical Chronicles"

3rd International Conference on Modern Nigerian Art, (Department of Fine and Applied Arts, University of Nigeria, Nsukka), November 21-23.

Paper presented: "Nigeria Magazine and the Discourse of Modern Art in Nigeria: 1946-1976"

2005 Annual National Conference of the Ceramics Association of Nigeria (CerAN),
(Department of Fine and Applied Arts, University of Nigeria, Nsukka) 26-29 October.

Paper presented: "Earthenware Clay in Mixed Media Sculptures: Technical and

2008

2006



Conceptual Notes on 'Suyascape' Series".

2nd National Conference of the Art Historical Association of Nigeria (AHAN), (Faculty of

Arts Complex, University of Nigeria, Nsukka) 23-25 March 2005.

Paper presented: "Ceramics and the Culture of Silence: A Decade of Onuzulike's Search for Creative Eloquence 1995-2005."

2004 Annual National Conference/Workshop of the Craft Potters Association of Nigeria

(CPAN), (National Council for Arts and Culture, Abuja) 27 Nov. – 4 Dec. 2004. *Paper presented:* "Tableware Installations as Art Form: The Tea Set Example" ACCRA/JOUCAS International Sculpture Workshop, (Kofi Setordji Art Haus, Accra,

Ghana), 22 March-3 April.

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2006 Co-Curator, Osahenye Kainebi: ERASURES, Didi Museum, Lagos, Nigeria.

Curator, The Roads to Nsukka (an exhibition in honour of Obiora Udechukwu at

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2004 Associate Curator, Earthworks 2004: 8th CPAN Annual National Exhibition of Ceramics,

FCT Council for Arts and Culture, Abuja, Nigeria.

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Maison de France, Ikoyi, Lagos, Nigeria.

2002 Associate Curator, Earthworks 2002: 6th CPAN Annual National Exhibition of Ceramics,

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