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Education

Oberlin College Conservatory of Music, Bachelor of Arts in Technology in Music & Related Arts, 2006 University of Delhi, School of Music and Fine Arts, private instruction in sitar & voice

Selected Performances & Tours

2019, 80 Concert Dates (as Ami Dang), US, Canada, Berlin & Utrecht 2018, 20 Concert Dates (as Ami Dang), US East Coast October 2018, The SNF Parkway (as Ami Dang), section of a live score to The Adventures of Prince Achmed April-August 2018, 10 Concert Dates (with duo Raw Silk), Northeast US January-February 2018, 2 Concert Dates (with Amy Reid as backing vocalist) September 2017, Hopscotch Festival (as Ami Dang), Raleigh, NC August 2017, Multimedia Installation & Performance (with duo Raw Silk & media artist Jonna McKone), The Walters Art Museum, Baltimore, MD March 2017, SXSW (as Ami Dang), Austin, TX July-October 2016, 6 Concert Dates (as Ami Dang), Northeast US May 2015, 9 Concert Dates (as Ami Dang), USA September 2014, 10 Concert Dates (as Ami Dang), Northeast US, Midwest & Canada July-August 2014, 25 Concert Dates (as a musician with puppetry group Poncili Creacion), US East Coast, Midwest & Canada June-July 2013, 9 Concert Dates (with duo Silk/Slag), US East Coast & Midwest March 2013, 12 Concert Dates (as Ami Dang & with Grimes as backing vocalist), Asia June-December 2012, 30 Concert Dates (as Ami Dang), US East Coast, Midwest & Canada February 2012, The Living Room (as Ami Dang), New Delhi, India 2011, 64 performances (as Ami Dang), US & Canada February 2011, Carnival of eCreativity (as Ami Dang), Sattal, India 2010, 10 Concert Dates (as Ami Dang), Northeast US September 2010, High Zero Festival, improviser/performer, Baltimore, MD December 2009, 3 Performances (as ensemble vocalist), The Annex Theatre's Production of Matsukaze, Baltimore, MD March 2009, Sound Installation & Performance (as Ami Dang), Transmodern Festival, Baltimore, MD December 2008-November 2009, 10 Concert Dates (as Ami Dang), Northeast US July-August 2008, 10 Concert Dates (as Ami Dang), US East Coast & Midwest September-October 2007, 3 Concert Dates (as Ami Dang), Northeast US

July 2005, 5 Concert Dates (with The Night), US East Coast

Discography

Parted Plains, Leaving Records, 2019. Raw Silk, Ehse Records, 2018. Uni Sun, Friends Records, 2016. In Auspices, self-released, 2014. Beats for Bangladesh (compilation), "Sublimate," 2013. Hukam, Ehse Records, 2011. Because You Rained on Me, self-released, 2008.

Awards

Baker Artist Award Finalist, 2019 MSAC Individual Artist Award, 2014 MSAC Individual Artist Award, 2009

Selected Press

Bandcamp Daily, December 2019, "The Best Albums of 2019: #100 - 81" New Commute, November 2019, "New Commute Albums of the Year 2019" The Washington Post, November 2019, "Ami Dang's expansive sitar music works anytime, everywhere" The Wild City, September 2019, "Ami Dang Translates Folklore With A Heady Spin Of Sitar And Synthesisers On 'Parted Plains'" The Guardian, August 2019, "Ami Dang: Parted Plains review – intense sitar ambience on a raga tip" Spin, August 2019 "Left Field: Pharmakon's Self-Cannibalizing Noise, Plus Psychedelic Sitar, Piano Minimalism, and More" Bandcamp, August 2019, "Album of the Day: Ami Dang, "Parted Plains" Raven Sings the Blues, August 2019, "Ami Dang" Soundblab, August 2019, "Ami Dang - Parted Plains" Pitchfork, August 2019, "Ami Dang, Parted Plains" XLR8R, July 2019, "Baltimore Sitarist Ami Dang Shares New Mini-Set Video Ahead of New Leaving Album" Cast the Dice, July 2019, "Ami Dang shares new single 'Sohni' off impending album release" Cast the Dice, June 2019, "Ami Dang announces instrumental album Parted Plains" Sound of the Day, June 2019 "Ami Dang - Raiments" Flaunt, May 2019, "Ami Dang | Parted Plains" Stereogum, November 2018, "Animal Collective - "Suspend The Time" (Feat. Ami Dang)"

Infinite Bloom, April 2018, "Ami Dang: Ziggurat"

The Fader, July 2017, "<u>Raw Silk Debuts 'Malpresentations,' An Exquisite Sitar And Cello Duet</u>" The Future of What, April 2017 "<u>Episode #74: Turned Away At The Border</u>" CNN, March 2017, "<u>SXSW artist Ami Dang: Trump's travel ban contributed to racism</u>" Bandcamp Daily, October 2016, "<u>Ami Dang's "Uni Sun" is Where Ancient Sikh Hymns Meet the</u> <u>Contemporary Dancefloor</u>" The Fader, July 2016, "<u>Listen To Baltimore Producer Ami Dang's Sensual Yet Urgent 'Udeekna</u>" Vogue Italia, January 2013, "<u>Spostamenti sonori</u>" Dummy Mag, December 2012, "<u>Ami Dang: a truly talented artist worth embracing</u>" Pitchfork, April 2012, "<u>Review: Ami Dang, 'Sublimate</u>" Hindustan Times, February 2011, "<u>Kaur of Melody</u>"

City Paper, January 2011, "<u>Sitarist/vocalist Ami Dang moves from long-form head trips to hybrid pop</u> and beyond"