

# DEFNE AKSOY

Born and raised in Izmir, Turkiye  
Based in Baltimore, MD

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## EDUCATION

2023 *Maryland Institute College of Art*, Baltimore, MD  
BFA in Interdisciplinary Sculpture, Cum Laude

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2023- ongoing Conservation Technician, Baltimore Museum of Art, Baltimore, MD

## GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2025 *Art Party*, SIDEWORLD, Baltimore, MD  
2024 *In the Making*, Baltimore Jewelry Center, Baltimore, MD  
*Fire House Show*, The Fire House, Baltimore, MD  
2023 *gently, we exist*, Middendorf Gallery, Baltimore, MD  
2022 *Party of Six*, Middendorf Gallery, Baltimore, MD  
*Possibility & Expansion*, Middendorf Gallery, Baltimore, MD  
*Repetition/The Copy/The Clone*, Station 206, Baltimore, MD  
2021 *abecedarian*, Middendorf Gallery, Baltimore, MD  
*Intro to Fibers Weaving Exhibition*, Station Second Floor, Baltimore, MD  
*Masquerade*, Shana Goetsch, Baltimore, MD

## PUBLIC ART

2025 *Street Machine*, Vision Zero Creative Campaign, BCDOT, Baltimore, MD

## WORKSHOPS

2025 Glazing in Ceramics, Atolye Ki, Izmir, Turkiye  
2024 Metals + Jewelry 1, Baltimore Jewelry Center  
2024 Hand Building in Ceramics, Atolye Ki, Izmir, Turkiye

## AWARDS

2025 BCDOT Vision Zero Installation Artist Grant  
2024 Baltimore Jewelry Center Scholarship Recipient, Spring Semester  
2019-2022 Dean's List, MICA  
2018-2022 Creative Vision Award, Baltimore, MD  
Academic Excellence Scholarship, Baltimore, MD  
Dean's Grant, MICA  
MICA Grant  
2018 President's Award for Educational Excellence

## **PERFORMING PROJECTS**

- 2025 Shakespeare's *As You Like it* at Summerisle, Bedford, PA
- 2025 Co-creator and cast member, AYTWIT? Collective - *Small Wins*, Baltimore, MD
- 2024 Shakespeare's *The Tempest* at Summerisle, Bedford, PA
- 2023 *Dark Matters* by Abigail DeVille, Hirshhorn Museum, Washington, DC