

SEYNI AWA CAMARA

Born c. 1945, Bignona, Senegal
Lives and works in Bignona, Senegal

Solo exhibitions

2024

Seyni Awa Camara, Shaping spirits, Baronian, Brussels, Belgium, April 24 – July 13, 2024

2021

Seyni Awa Camara, Galerie Claire Corcia, Paris, France, September 30 - November 6, 2021

2020

Maternités, Baronian Xippas, Brussels, Belgium, September 3 - October 24, 2020

2011

Seni Awa Camara entre los Elementos, Galeria Kalao, Bilbao, Spain, May 20 - July 16, 2011

2010

El Ventre de la Tierra, Galeria Kalao, Bilbao, Spain, May 21 - July 21, 2010

2009

Seyni Camara & Ndoye Douts, Galerie Nathalie Fiks, Paris, France, October 30 - November 28, 2009

2007

Seyni Camara, Galerie Nathalie Fiks, Paris, France, December 7 - 29, 2007

Seyni Awa Camara : Terracotas, Galeria Kalao, Bilbao, Spain, March 15 - April 26, 2007

2004

Seni Camara, Galerie De Crescenzo & Viesti, Roma, Italy, February 17 - March 31, 2004

1990

Seni Awa Camara, Galerie 39, Dakar, Senegal

Group exhibitions

2025

Project a Black Planet : The Art and Culture of Panafrica, Museu d'Art Contemporani de Barcelona, Spain, November, 6 2025 – April 6, 2026

Au-delà des apparences – Parcours amoureux de l'art moderne et contemporain d'Afrique, Musée d'art et d'histoire de Genève, Switzerland, October 16 – November 23, 2025

FEMMES, Curated by Pharrell Williams, Perrotin Paris, France, March 20 – April 19, 2025

2024

Habiter le monde, Château – Centre d'Art Contemporain et du Patrimoine d'Aubenas, France, July 6 – October 13, 2024

2023

Chimères, Fondation Blachère, Bonnieux, France, June 30 - November 18, 2023

Louise Bourgeois. Imaginary Conversations, The National Museum, Oslo, Norway, May 6 – August 6, 2023

In brilliant light, Wereldmuseum Leiden, Netherlands, December 21 2023 – November 3rd 2024

2022

Cosmogony. Zinsou - An African Art Collection, CoBrA Museum, Amstelveen, The Netherlands, October 7, 2022 - January 8, 2023

Michael Armitage Amongst the Living, White Cube, London, England, September 21 – October 30, 2022

Seyni Awa Camara & Estevão Mucavele : Les restes du bruit, MAGNIN-A, Paris, France, March 24 - May 14, 2022

Vessels, David Zwirner, London, England, March 2 - April 2, 2022

2021

Timothy Archer - Andrew ilber - Seyni Awa Camara : Le chant des golems, Galerie Claire Corcia, Paris, France, September 10 - October 10, 2021

Cosmogonies. Zinsou, une collection africaine. Collection Zinsou, MO.CO Hôtel, Montpellier, France, July 3 - October 10, 2021

vive l'Afrique !!, La FAB, Paris, France, May 21 - July 24, 2021

Seyni Awa Camara and Olaf Holzapfel, Baronian Xippas, Brussels, Belgium, April 3 - May 30, 2021

Ex-Africa : Présences africaines dans l'art, Musée du quai Branly-Jacques Chirac, Paris, France, February 9 - July 11, 2021

2020

Alpha Crucis : Contemporary African Art, Astrup Fearnley Museum, Oslo, Norway, January 31 - September 6, 2020

2019

Expressions d'Afrique Inside Jean Pigozzi's Collection, Galerie Gmurzynska, Zurich, Switzerland, October 23, 2019 – January 31, 2020

2017

Art/Afrique : le nouvel atelier. Les Initiés : sélection d'œuvres (1989-2009) de la collection d'art contemporain africain de Jean Pigozzi, Fondation Louis Vuitton, Paris, France, April 26 - September 4, 2017

2016

Galeristes 2016, Le Carreau du temple, Paris, France, December 10 - 11, 2016

Les Éclaireurs, sculpteurs d'Afrique, Palais des Papes, Avignon, France, May 19, 2016 - January 14, 2017

2012

Figure Libre, Espace Communes et Galerie Nathalie Fiks, Paris, France, June 7 - 10, 2012

2009

Africa? Una Nuova Storia, Complesso del Vittoriano, Roma, Italy, November 19, 2009 - January 17, 2010

2007

Why Africa? The Pigozzi Collection, Pinacoteca Giovanni e Marella Agnelli, Turin, Italy, October 6, 2007 - February 3, 2008

2006

100% Africa, Bilbao Guggenheim Museum, Bilbao, Spain, October 12, 2006 - February 18, 2007, p.64-65-66-67

2005

Arts of Africa, Grimaldi Forum, Monaco, July 16 - September 4, 2005

African Art Now : Masterpieces from the Jean Pigozzi Collection, Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, USA, January 29 - May 6, 2005

2001

Regine d'Africa / Seni Camara e Reinata Sadimba, Rocca di Umbertide, Centro per Arte Contemporanea, Umbertide PG, Italy, September - November 2001

Biennale de Venise, 49ème édition : "Plateau of Human Kind", Giardini di Castello, Venice, Italy, June 10 - November 4, 2001

2000

Il Ritorno Dei Maghi : Il Sacro nell'arte africana contemporanea, Palazzo dei Sette, Orvieto, Italy, April 8 - June 30, 2000

1992

Africa Hoy, Central Cultural de Arte Contemporáneo, Mexico City, Mexico, February 20 - June 7, 1992 ; Groningen Museum, Groningen, The Netherlands, December 7, 1991 - February 9, 1992 ; Centro Atlántico de Arte Moderno, Las Palmas, Spain, September 17 - November 17, 1991

1991

Senegal, Galerie des Institutd Für Auslandsbeziehungen, Landesmuseum, Oldenburg, Germany, 1991

1989

Magiciens de la Terre, Centre Pompidou, La Grande Halle de la Villette, Paris, France, May 18 - August 14, 1989

Collections

The National Museum of Art Norway, Oslo, Norway
Fondation Cartier pour l'Art Contemporain, Paris, France
Fondation Louis Vuitton, Paris, France
FENIX, Rotterdam, Netherlands
Tate Modern, London, United Kingdom

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2023

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2021

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2017

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2011

Seyni Awa Camara entre les éléments. Book + DVD. Bilbao: Galeria Kalao, 2011.

2009

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André MAGNIN, *Africa Arte Contemporanea*, ed. Prearo Editore, 2009, p.105-106-17-108-109-110-111

2007

Chaïtou, Bassam, and Serge Villain. *Trajectoires : Art contemporain du Sénégal : Collection Bassam Chaïtou*. Exhibition catalogue, Dakar: Kaani, 2007.
Mascelloni, Enrico (ed.). *Camara, Serigne Mbaye, 1948 - Seni Camara*. Milan: Skira, 2007.
Why Africa?. Exhibition catalogue, Milan: Electa & Pinacoteca Giovanni e Marella Agnelli, 2007.

2006

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2005

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2001

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Mascelloni, Enrico (ed.). *Regine d'Africa / Seni Camara e Reinata Sadimba*. Exhibition catalogue, Verona: Adriano Parise, 2001.

1996

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1995

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1994

Odeyè-Finzi, Michèle. *Solitude d'argile : Légende autour d'une vie : Sculptures de Seyni-Awa*. Paris: L'Harmattan, 1994.

1991

Magnin, André (ed.). *Africa Hoy*. Exhibition catalogue, Las Palmas: Centro Atlantico de Arte Moderno, 1991.

1989

Cohen-Solal, Annie (ed.). *Magiciens de la Terre*. Exhibition catalogue, Paris: Centre Georges Pompidou, 1989.