

# Theo Eshetu

1958 born in London, United Kingdom  
lives and works in Berlin, Germany, and Rome, Italy

## Education

1981 BA in Communication Design, North East London Polytechnic, London, UK  
1978 Art Foundation, Ipswich College of Higher and Further Education, Ipswich, UK

## Solo Exhibitions (selected)

2024 Veiled Woman on a Beachfront, Galerie Barbara Thumm, Berlin, Germany  
2020 Atlas Portraits, Tiwani Contemporary, London, UK  
2019 Faces and Places, AK Bank Sanat, Istanbul, Turkey  
2017 The Slave Ship, Tiwani Contemporary, London, UK; traveled to Freiburg, Germany (2018)  
2015 Constellations, Tiwani Contemporary, London, UK  
2014 Transform – Artists Beyond Film: Theo Eshetu, Tate Britain, London, UK  
The Return of the Axum Obelisk, DAADgalerie, Berlin, Germany  
2013 Cinemafrika in Cineteca Retrospective, Cinema Trevi, Rome, Italy  
Double Feature Picture Show Biennale de Lubumbashi, Lubumbashi, Democratic Republic of the Congo  
2012 Corpo Elettronico Video arte Italiani, Complesso Monumentale del San Giovanni di Catanzaro, Catanzaro, Italy  
2011 Circus Maximus (video Projection for a concert by Alvin Curran), Moderna Musica Festival, Centro del Carmen, Valencia, Spain; traveled to Integra Festival, Royal Danish Academy of Music, Copenhagen, Denmark (2013)  
Art at Work Pavillion, part of “Visionary Africa”, Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso  
2010 Brave New World, The Smithsonian National Museum of African Art, Washington D.C., USA  
2009 The Return of the Aksum Obelisk, UNESCO Headquarters, Paris, France and FAO headquarters, Rome, Italy  
The Tropics, National Gallery of South Africa, Cape Town, South Africa; traveled to The Jim Thompson Art Centre, Bangkok, Thailand (2010)  
2008 Ars & Navis, Arsenale di La Spezia, La Spezia, Italy  
Retrospective, IN VIDEO Festival, Milan, Italy  
I Racconti del Mandala, Teatro Colosseo, Rome and Teatro Civico di Carrara, Carrara, Italy  
Five For Monk, Video & Dance at St Stevens (theatre performance with Roberta Garrison), Rome, Italy, and St. Stephen’s Theater, Philadelphia, USA  
2007 Buio in Sala, K Kino, Sala Principle dei Piermonti, Viareggio, Italy  
Made in Italy-Retrospective: Theo Eshetu, Filmstudio, Rome, Italy  
“South of the Other”, The Robert Flaherty Film Seminar, Poughkeepsie, USA  
2006 Meditation on African Light, Baltimore Museum of Art, Baltimore, USA  
2005 Africanized. Retrospective: The Videos of Theo Eshetu, Padova, Verona, and Bari, Italy  
2004 The Films of Theo Eshetu, Brooklyn Academy of Music Cinemateque, New York, USA  
Monografia Elettronica, Zo Cultural Centre, Catania, Italy  
Body and Soul, Special Event presentation, Venice Film Festival, Italy  
2003 Blood, Museo Laboratorio dell’Università La Sapienza, Rome, Italy  
Digital Africa, Electronic Arts Intermix/African Film Festival, New York, USA  
2002 Africanized, 58th Venice Film Festival, Italy  
1999 Brave New World, MACRO, Museo D’arte Contemporanea, Galleria Comunale d’Arte Moderna e Contemporanea, Rome, Italy  
1995 Retrospective at Archipelago 3, Osservatorio sul cinema Italiano, Cinema, Rome, Italy  
Il Gato e la Volpe (with Fathi Hassan), Galleria Pio Monti, Rome, Italy  
1994 Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Nice, France  
Che Bien Resistes, Museum of Contemporary Art, Arezzo, Italy  
Mass Memory, 50th Venice Film Festival, Venice, Italy

Arte & Jeans, Minimi Rilievi, Passage de Retz, Paris, France  
La Nascita dio Dioniso, Galleria Cesare Manzo, Pescara, Italy; traveled to Museo de Arte Italiano, Lima, Peru (1998)  
1993 Filmladen Kassel: Peter Greenaway & Theo Eshetu, Kassel, Germany  
I.ME.RE.C, Marseille, France  
Museo del Cinema, Torino Film Festival, Turin, Italy  
Zapping, Galleria Nova, Rome, Italy  
1992 Travelling Light, Institute of Contemporary Arts (ICA), London, UK  
Spoleto Festival dei Due Mondi, Spoleto, Italy  
Video Distorsioni, Sulmona Cinema, Italy  
Artel, Galleria Comunale, Cagliari, Sardinia, Italy  
TER International Exhibition of Contemporary Art, Termoli, Italy  
1990 Il Luogo della complessita, Museum of Contemporary Art of La Sapienza, Rome, Italy  
1989 Studio D’ars, Milan, Italy  
1987 International Art Show for the End of World Hunger: Sonja Henies-Onstads, Oslo; traveled to Saint Paul, USA  
Monitors, Galleria MR/Goethe Institute, Rome, Ital  
Video Art Italiana, Galleria Civica, Monza, Italy  
1985 Saint Louis Music City, Rome, Italy  
1983 The Portrait Part One, New International Gallery, Rome, Italy

## Group Exhibitions and Festivals (selected)

2025 Not All Travellers Walk Roads – Of Humanity as Practice, Bienal de Sao Paulo, Sao Paulo, Brazil  
SYTEMA ALIMENTARIUM, Alimentarium Fondation Nestlé, Vevey, Switzerland  
2024 Forgive Us Our Trespasses / Vergib uns unsere Schuld— Of (Un)Real Frontiers, Of (Im)Moralities, and Other Transcendences, Haus der Kulturen der Welt, Berlin, Germany  
EXPOSURE: Art, culture, fashion, in and out of the showcase, Mudec Museo Delle Culture Milano, Milan, Italy  
2023/24 Africa and Byzantium, The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, USA; traveled to Cleveland Museum of Art, Cleveland, USA (2024)  
Ethiopia at the Crossroads, The Walters Art Museum, Baltimore, USA; traveled to Peabody Essex Museum, Salem, USA (2024) and the Toledo Museum of Art, Toledo, USA (2024)  
2023 Museo delle Opacità, Museo delle Civiltà, Rome, Italy  
St. Moritz Film Festival, St. Moritz, Switzerland  
2022 Shifting Dialogues: Photography from The Walther Collection, Kunstsammlung Nordrhein-Westfalen, K21, Düsseldorf, Germany  
2021 The Moving Museum, Humboldt Forum, Berlin  
Minds Rising, Spirits Tuning, 13th Gwangju Biennale, Gwangju, South Korea  
Here History Began. Tracing the Re/Verberations of Halim El-Dabh, Savvy Contemporary, Berlin, Germany  
Land of Broken Dreams Convening & Concert Series as part of the exhibition The Shape of Things: Carrie Mae Weems, Park Avenue Armory, New York, USA  
This must be my place. The Other is Us. Zur Idee der postmigrantischen Gesellschaft, DOCK 20 – Kunstraum und Sammlung Hollenstein, Lustenau, Austria  
2020 The Sum of All Parts in the exhibition “Collection 1970s– Present”, Museum of Modern Art (MoMA), New York, USA (on view until 2024)  
The Faculty of Sensing - Thinking With, Through, and by Anton Wilhelm Amo, Kunstverein Braunschweig, Braunschweig, Germany; traveled to Savvy Contemporary, Berlin, Germany (2021)  
2019/20 12th Bamako Encounters – African Biennale of Photography, Bamako, Mali  
The Sorcerer’s Burden: Contemporary Art and The Anthropological Turn, The Contemporary Austin, Austin, USA  
2019 Masks: The Art of Transformation, Kunstmuseum Bonn, Bonn, Germany  
Migrating Worlds: The Art of the Moving Image in Britain, Yale Center for British Art, New Haven, USA  
And Berlin Will Always Need You. Kunst, Handwerk und Konzept Made in Berlin, Martin Gropius Bau, Berlin, Germany  
2018 AFRIQUE Les Religions de l’extase, Musée d’ethnographie

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- de Genève MEG, Geneva, Switzerland; traveled to L'Abbaye de Daoulas, Daoulas, France (2022)  
 You Are Here: Light, Color, and Sound Experiences, North Carolina Museum of Art, Raleigh, USA  
 Feedback: Art, Africa, and the 1980s, Iwalewahaus, University of Bayreuth, Bayreuth, Germany  
 Face to Face from Yesterday to Today, Non-Western Art and Picasso, Musée des beaux-arts de Montréal, Montréal, Canada  
 I is an Other I Be The Other, National Gallery of Modern and Contemporary Art, Rome, Italy  
 Arts of Global Africa, Newark Museum, New Jersey, USA  
 Collections, Royal Ontario Museum, Ontario, Canada  
 Von Verdrängtem, Der Nacht Und Der Farbe Schwarz, E-Werk, Freiburg, Germany
- 2017 Learning from Athens, documenta 14, Neu Neu Galerie, Kassel, Germany and Athens Conservatoire (Odeion), Athens, Greece  
 Cours, cours, camarade, le vieux monde est derrière toi!, Archive Kabinett, Berlin, Germany  
 Unmasked, Axis Gallery, New York, USA  
 Afriques Capitales: Cape of Good Hope Here We Come, '100%' Festival, Gare Saint Sauveur, Lille, France  
 Video Portrait vol.2, Total Museum, Seoul, South Korea  
 Doppio schermo. Film e video d'artista in Italia dagli anni '60 a oggi, MAXXI - Museo nazionale delle arti del XXI secolo, Rome, Italy
- 2016/17 VideoStudio: Meeting Points, Studio Museum in Harlem, New York NY, USA
- 2016 Why Not Ask Again? Arguments, Counter-arguments and Stories, 11th Shanghai Biennale, Shanghai, China  
 Still (The) Barbarians, EVA International – Ireland's Biennial, Limerick, Ireland  
 The City in the Blue Daylight, Dak'Art Biennial 2016, Dakar, Senegal  
 Videonale in Lagos, Centre for Contemporary Art, Lagos, Nigeria  
 Cairotronica - Cairo Electronic and New Media Arts Festival, Cairo, Egypt
- 2015/16 Streamlines: Oceans Global Trade and Migration, Deichtorhallen, Hamburg, Germany  
 Tu dois changer ta vie!, Renaissance: 2015: 4e édition thématique de Lille3000, Lille, France  
 Après Eden, The Walther Collection, Maison Rouge, Paris, France  
 Senses of Time: Video and Film-Based Works of Africa, Los Angeles County Museum of Art (LACMA), Los Angeles, USA; traveled to Smithsonian National Museum of African Art, Washington D.C., USA (2016), Wellin Museum of Art, Clinton, USA (2016)
- 2015 A Story within a Story, 8th Göteborg International Biennial for Contemporary Art – GIBCA, Göteborg, Sweden  
 The Laboratory Concept, Proebühne 7, Dahlem Museums, Staatliche Museen zu Berlin, Berlin, Germany  
 STADT/BILD Xenopolis, KunstHalle by Deutsche Bank, Berlin, Germany  
 Indonesia LAB, (with Ensemble Modern Mousonturm Portikus Frankfurt LAB), Frankfurt LAB, Frankfurt, Germany  
 The Unfamiliar and the Others, Millerntor Gallery, Hamburg  
 Nero su Bianco, American Academy in Rome Gallery, Rome, Italy  
 I Got Rhythm, Kunstmuseum Stuttgart, Stuttgart, Germany
- 2014 Wir sind alle Berliner: 1884 - 2014, A Commemoration of the Berlin Congo Conference, Savvy Contemporary, Berlin, Germany  
 Fragments of Empires, Momentum Berlin, Colloquium Hungaricum, Berlin, Germany  
 Inventer le possible: Une vidéothèque éphémère, Jeu de Paume, Paris, France  
 Whorled Explorations, 2nd Kochi-Muziris Biennale, Kochi, India  
 Travelling Communique, Museum of Yugoslav History, Belgrade, Serbia  
 Millerntor Gallery, Momentum, FC St.Pauli, Hamburg, Germany
- 2013 After Year Zero: Geographies of Collaboration since 1945, Haus der Kulturen der Welt, Berlin, Germany; traveled to The Museum of Modern Art in Warsaw, Warsaw, Poland (2015)  
 IkonoTV On Air Festival, International Video Art Festival, online  
 Proebühne 1, Humboldt Lab, Ethnographic Museum, Dahlem, Berlin, Germany
- 2012 Agency of Unrealized Projects (AUP), DAADgalerie, Berlin, Germany  
 System Operation, Eli Ridgway Gallerie, San Francisco, USA  
 Africa Rising, Cloître des Billettes, Paris, France
- 2011/12 Singolarità mobile che abitano uno spazio namade, Casa dei Teatri Villa Doria Pamphili, Rome, Italy
- 2011 ILLUMInazioni – ILLUMInations, 54th Venice Biennale, Venice, Italy  
 Plot for a Biennial, 10th Sharjah Biennale, Sharjah, United Arab Emirates  
 Cinema e Diversità Culturale, Palladium, Rome, Italy  
 Eyes al Asiatica Film Mediale, MACRO Testaccio, Rome, Italy
- 2010 Roma Video Art Festival, Rome, Italy  
 MACRO Video Drink, MACRO, Museo D'arte Contemporanea, Rome, Italy  
 Il Caos #2, San Servolo, Venice, Italy  
 Look At Festival, Fondazione Gaggianti, Lucca, Italy  
 African Film Festival, The New Museum, New York, USA  
 Festival Archipelago, Rome, Italy  
 Events of the Self, The Walther Collection, Neu-Ulm, Germany  
 GEO-graphics. A Map of Art Practices in Africa, Past and Present, Bozar Center for Fine Arts, Brussels, Belgium
- 2009 Message in a Bottle, Arsenale di La Spezia, La Spezia, Italy  
 Africa Reflected, The Stedelijk Museum, Amsterdam, The Netherlands  
 Non Angli Sed Angeli: A Pilgrimage, A Mission, Venerable English College, Rome, Italy  
 Fish Eye, Cinema L'Aquila, Rome, Italy
- 2008 Die Tropen: Views from the middle of the globe, Martin Gropius Bau, Berlin, Germany
- 2007 Equatorial Rhythms, Stenersen Museum, Oslo, Norway  
 Os Tropicos, Centro Cultural Banco do Brasil, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
- 2006 Snap Judgements. New Positions in Contemporary African Photography, International Center for Photography, New York, USA; traveled to Miami Art Central, Miami, USA (2006); Museo Tamayo Arte Contemporáneo, Mexico City, Mexico (2007); National Gallery of Canada, Ottawa, Canada (2007-2008); Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis, USA (2008); Stedelijk Museum, Amsterdam, The Netherlands (2008)  
 Codes of Culture: Video Art from 7 Continents, ArteBA, Buenos Aires, Argentina  
 The Project Room, New York, USA  
 C/o Care Of, Onda Dall'Italia, Italy  
 Loop, Brancolini Grimaldi Gallery, Florence, Italy
- 2005 Africa Remix: Contemporary Art from the African Continent, Hayward Gallery, Southbank Centre, London, UK  
 Body and Soul, MACRO, Museo D'arte Contemporanea, Videoteca, Rome, Italy  
 Arte Fiera, Padova & Bologna, Italy  
 Frames, Massenzio, Rome, Italy
- 2004 Living for the City, Jack Shainman Gallery, New York, USA  
 The Creation Trilogy, Sulmona Film Festival, Sulmona, Italy  
 On Air, Galleria Comunale di Arte Contemporanea di Monfalcone, Gorizia, Italy
- 2003 Europalia, FNAC, Brussels, Belgium  
 Museo Laboratorio di Arte Contemporanea, Rome, Italy  
 Video Zone, Center for Contemporary Art Tel Aviv  
 Cinemateque, Tel Aviv, Israel  
 Video Zone Selection, Shijiazhuang Museum, Shijiazhuang, China
- 2002 Net Image Live Video VJ Contest, Milan, Italy  
 Sala Uno, Rome, Italy  
 Prix Italia, Teatro Massimo, Palermo, Italy
- 2001 Museum of African Art, New York, USA  
 Ways to A Void, Palazzo Degli Esposizioni, Rome, Italy  
 Electro Shock: 30 Years of Italian Video Art, Acquario Romano and MACRO, Museo D'arte Contemporanea, Rome, Italy; traveled to the Guangdong Museum of Art, Guangzhou, China (2006)
- 2000 Trans Africana, Chiesa Di San Giorgio, Bologna, Italy  
 Cinema Ferrovia, Udine, Italy  
 INPUT 2000, Halifax, Canada  
 The New York African Film Festival, Lincoln Center, New York, USA  
 Brooklyn Museum of Art, New York, USA
- 1999 Festival del Cinema Africano, Milan, Italy  
 Visibilità Zero, Goethe Institute, Rome, Italy  
 Golem Video Festival, Galeria Civica d'Arte Moderna e

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	Contemporanea, Turin, Italy		
	Southern African International Film & Television Market, Sithengi, Cape Town, South Africa		
	Lavori in Corso, MACRO, Museo D'arte Contemporanea, Rome, Italy		
1998	In-video, Milan, Italy		
	Festival di Cinema Africano, Milan, Italy		
	Dublin Film Festival, Dublin, Ireland		
	Fespaco/Input, Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso		
	Vues D'Afrique, Quebec, Canada		
	World Wide Video Festival, Amsterdam, The Netherlands		
	Incontri sul Video, La Spezia, Italy		
	Balafon '98 Film Festival, Bari, Italy		
1997	Instituto Giapponese di Cultura, Rome, Italy		
	University of Berkeley, Berkeley, USA		
	Pesaro Film Festival, Pesaro, Italy		
	Autheur Film Festival, Belgrade, Serbia		
	Mill Valley Film Festival, Mill Valley, USA		
	London Film Festival, NFT, London, UK		
	Video Art Plastique Festival, Hérouville Saint-Clair, France		
1996	University of Addis Ababa, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia		
	Ricicliart: Art and Recycling at the Slaughterhouse, Rome, Italy		
	Kind of Blue, Milan, Italy		
1995	Preserviamoci, Rome, Italy		
	Art & Film Festival, Bratislava, Slovakia		
	La Città Ideale, Fiumara d'arte, Sicily, Italy		
	Artisti per Opening, American Academy in Rome, Rome, Italy		
	Africana, Sala Uno, Rome, Italy		
	Pandemonium, Festival of Moving Images, Institute of Contemporary Arts (ICA), London, UK		
	Un anno Italiano in Video, Superstudio, Milan, Italy		
	Arcipelago Film Festival, Cinema Augustus, Rome, Italy		
	Inverso sud, Aversa Film Festival, Italy		
	Art for All, Palazzo Braschi, Rome, Italy		
	Arte Elettronica e Linguaggi Televisivi, RAI, Rome, Italy		
1994	Mill Valley Film Festival, Mill Valley, USA		
	Opera Stabile, Rome, Italy		
	Mondi Virtuali, Sala Umberto, Rome, Italy		
	Dov'è il Video, Museo Laboratorio di Arte Contemporanea, La Sapienza, Rome, Italy		
	Video les Beaux Jours, Strasbourg, France		
	17th Göteborg International Film Festival, Göteborg, Sweden		
1993	Neuer Berliner Kunstverein, Berlin, Germany		
	Input 93, Bristol, UK		
	In-video, Aiace, Milano, Italy		
	Da Sodoma a Hollywood, Torino Gay Film Festival, Torino, Italy		
	TTVV, Festival of Video and Theater, Riccione, Italy		
	Anteprima Concorso Gabbiano D'oro Independent Film Festival, Bellaria, Italy		
	Edinburgh Film Festival, Edinburgh, Scotland		
	Xenografia, 45th Venice Biennale, Venice, Italy		
	2emme Semaine International de Video, Geneva, Switzerland		
	Ondavideo, Pisa, Italy		
	Prix Italia, Il Teatro in Televisione, Rome, Italy		
1992	Berlin Video Fest 92, Berlin, Germany		
	Promo Image Festival, Pala Expo, Rome, Italy		
	7th Australian International Film Festival, Sydney, Australia		
	ARTEL Electronic Media In Visual Arts In Italy, Galleria Comunale D'Arte, Cagliari, Italy		
	Melkweg, Amsterdam, The Netherlands		
	London Film Festival, Museum of the Moving Image, London, UK		
	Cinema Indipendente Italiano, Berlino, Italy		
	Video Teatro '92, Expo '92, Seville, Spain		
	Videodistorsioni, Sulmona Cinema, Rome, Italy		
	European Video Art in the Nineties, Goethe Institutes in Latin America		
	Festival of Poetry and Image, Odense, Denmark		
1991	Video Arte Italiana, Eventi Italian Cultural Institute, Madrid, Spain		
	Theo Eshetu/Alexander Hahn, Swiss Institute, Rome, Italy		
1990	Italian Cultural Institute, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil		
1989	Televisions, Melbourne Lygon Arts Festival, Melbourne, Australia		
	4th Edition El Festival de Video Musical de Vitoria-Gasteiz, Basque Country, Spain		
	Video Biennale, Ljubljana, Slovenia		
	Festival de Video Musical, Victoria Gasteiz, Spain		
	Video Art Plastique Festival, Hérouville Saint-Clair, France		
	Studio D'Ars, Milan, Italy		
1988	MIPCOM, Cannes, France		
	Art for Africa, Göteborg Konstmuseum, Göteborg, Sweden		
	Discovery of Resources of Our Time, 2nd Fukui International Video Biennale, Fukui, Japan		
	Manifestation International de Video & TV, Montbeliard, France		
	European Media Arts Festival, Experimental Film Workshop, Osnabrück, Germany		
	AVE, Arnhem, The Netherlands		
	Beijing International Film Festival, Beijing, China		
1987	Fest Rio, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil		
	Video CD 87, Ljubljana, Slovenia		
	Filmer à Tout Prix, Brussels, Belgium		
	Ars Elettronica, Linz, Austria		
	World Wide Video Festival, The Hague, The Netherlands		
	Input, Granada, Spain		
	Point '87, Beaubourg, Paris, France		
	Videonale, Bonn, Germany		
	Europe Copyright, Beaubourg, Paris, France		
	Festival Video Arte, Messina, Italy		
	Electrovisions, Tokyo, Japan		
	Cannes Video Biennale, Cannes, France		
	Rome Video Festival, Rome, Italy		
1986	Festival di Camerino, Camerino, Italy		
	Prato-Expo, Fortezza da Basso, Florence, Italy		
	Tre volte video, Rome, Italy		
	Montecatini International Short Film Festival, Montecatini Terme, Italy		
	Festival international du court métrage de Clermont-Ferrand, Clermont-Ferrand, France		
1985	Festival du Nouveau Cinema, Montreal, Canada		
	Film Maker, Milan, Italy		
	EU-Video: l'Imagine Elettronica, Bologna, Italy		
	Espace Lyonnais d'art contemporain, Lyon, France		
	Teleconfronto, Chianciano Terme, Italy		
1984	Festival Video Art, Locarno, Italy		
	U-Tape", Palazzo dei Diamanti Center of Video Arte, Ferrara, Italy		
	Torino Film Festival, Turin, Italy		
	Salso Film & TV Festival, Salso Maggiore, Italy		
	Video Roma 82-83, Rome, Italy		
1981	London Film Makers Co-op, London, UK		
<b>Awards and Residencies</b>			
2023	Lives of Objects, Work residency Goethe Institut, Victoria & Albert Museum, London, UK		
2022	Fellowship at the Smithsonian Institute, Washington D.C., USA		
2016/17	Residency at Tarabya Cultural Academy, Istanbul, Turkey		
2016	Kulturstiftung des Bundes / Preußischer Kulturbesitz		
	Production support, Berlin, Germany		
2012	Residency at the DAAD Berliner Künstler Program (Visual Arts), Berlin, Germany		
2011	International Studio Curatorial Program ISCP, NYC, USA		
2010	Visionary Africa residency award in Burkina Faso, from the Palais des Beaux Arts, Brussels, Belgium		
	University of Arts and Social Sciences, Bonn, Germany		
2005	Award of Merit, Verona Film Meeting, Verona, Italy		
2004	Special presentation of "Body and Soul V3", Venice Film Festival, Venice, Italy		
2002	Best Biographical Documentary for "Dialogue with Yves Klein", Asolo Film Festival, Asolo, Italy		
	Fellowship at the Civitella Ranieri Centre, Umbria, Italy		
2001	The Best of INPUT at ITVS, San Francisco, USA		
1999	Second Prize for "Blood is not Fresh Water", International African Film Festival, Milan, Italy		
	Prix du Conseil de l'Europe for "Blood is not Fresh Water", Locarno Video Art Festival, Locarno, Switzerland		
	Candidate for Best Documentary Pan African Arts and Culture, Los Angeles, USA		
1996	Award of Merit, African Film Festival of Verona, Verona, Italy		
1994	Residency at ZKM, Karlsruhe, Germany		
	Inauguration Video with "Travelling Light", Mill Valley Film Festival, Mill Valley, USA		
1993	First Prize for "Travelling Light", Berlin Video Festival, Transmediale, Berlin, Germany		
1992	Award of Merit for "Travelling Light", Spoleto Festival dei Due Mondi, Spoleto, Italy		
1989	Oscar Signorini prize for "Nativity", awarded by Pierre		

- First prize at Film-Maker Milan for “Questa é Vita” & “L’altro Mondo”, Milan, Italy  
 Third Prize at U-Tape for “L’altro Mondo” , Palazzo dei Diamanti, Ferrara, Italy  
 1986 First prize at U-Tape for “Questa é Vita”, Palazzo dei Diamanti, Ferrara, Italy

### Publications (selected)

- 2023 “Theo Eshetu: Till Death Us Do Part”, iwalewabooks, Bad Ems, Germany  
 2019 Julia Hendrickson (Ed.) et al.: “The Sorcerer’s Burden: Contemporary Art & the Anthropological Turn”, Radius Books and The Contemporary Austin, Santa Fe and Austin, USA  
 2017 Daad Artists-in-berlin Program (ed.) et al.: “Theo Eshetu. The body electric”, Sternberg Press, London, UK  
 Quinn Latimer & Adam Szymczyk (eds.): “documenta 14 – Reader”, Prestel Verlag, Munich, Germany  
 2016 Mebrak Tareke: “In search of body and soul with Theo Eshetu”, Another Africa, August 2  
 William Poundstone: “Kaleidoscopes as Art”, Bloun Corps, January 18  
 Polly Nooter-Roberts & Karen Milbourne: “Senses of Time: Video and Film-Based Works of Africa”, Insider, Winter 2016, Vol. 10, Issue 1  
 2015 Karen Milbourne: “Senses of Time: Video and Film-Based Works of Africa”, African Arts, Winter 2015, Vol. 48, Number 4  
 Lyle Ashton Harris (eds.) et al: “Nero su Bianco”, American Academy, Rome, Italy  
 Bonaventure Soh Bejeng Ndikung: “Art in Context Africa, Part II: Bonaventure Soh Bejeng Ndikung on The tenses in Theo Eshetu”, Art Review, January 9  
 2014 Elvira Dyangani Ose (ed.): “Caderno Sesc\_Videobrasil 10: Uses of Memory”, Edições Sesc São Paulo and Associação Cultural Videobrasil, São Paulo, Brazil  
 “Theo Eshetu in conversation with Selene Wendt”, Nka Journal of Contemporary African Art, Fall 2014, Vol. 2014, No. 35  
 2003 MLAC di Roma: “BLOOD. Of Light and likeness”, Rome, Italy

### Collections

TATE Britain, London, UK  
 MoMA Museum of Modern Art, New York, USA  
 The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York USA  
 Smithsonian National Museum of African Art, Washington D.C., USA  
 Royal Ontario Museum, Toronto, Canada  
 Montreal Museum of Fine Art, Montreal, Canada  
 Newark Museum, Newark, USA  
 Baltimore Museum of Art, Baltimore, USA  
 The Gwangju Biennale Foundation, Gwangju, South Korea  
 Museo Delle Civiltà di Roma, Rome, Italy  
 Museo delle Culture di Milano - Mudec, Milan, Italy  
 MACRO, Museo D’arte Contemporanea, Rome, Italy  
 MEG Musée d’ethnographie de Genève, Geneva, Switzerland  
 Collection of Dimensional Fund Advisors, Austin, USA  
 Artur Walther Collection, Ulm, Germany