

Introduction

I am Shuai and I work as a researcher by day and as an artist by night. I have interests in a wide range of means of expression. Most recently, I work with scientists and artists using computational methods.

Artistic Activities and Interests (<https://shuai.ai/art>)

Film

- 2023 Film production : I worked as a PA (production assistant) for the short film *A Precious Shadow* (2023) directed by Tenzing Woing. The film is a part of the CinemAsia Film Lab. See more details on IMDB : <https://www.imdb.com/title/tt28279321/>.
- 2022 I was also the co-director of a short film titled *Nice to MEET you* with Costanza Spadafora.
- 2017 Acting : I played an anonymous dancer in the Dutch film *At Midnight Plays A Dance-Tune* directed by Roy Serden. See IMDB for more details : <https://www.imdb.com/title/tt11710276/>.

Music

eCello : I am learning electric cello with Antonis Pratsinakis (7 months).

Singing : I was a student of Caroline van Bavel for Pop and Rock (15 months). I performed *What a Wonderful World* at the Griffioen Cultural Centre in a joint concert in 2020.

Art

- Jul 2023 VR Exhibition : Seeing The Words (with Prof. Willem van Peursen and our student Hidde Makimei). This exhibition consists of images generated by A.I. models using biblical text. The exhibition was a part of Network Institute's end-of-the-year celebration at the Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam.
- Feb 2021 Exhibition : 20 Hands in 2020. This exhibition consists of 12 painting and sketches of in total 20 hands. Due to Covid restrictions, we made it an online exhibition. We received 180 visitors from all over the world in the first two days.
- Aug 2021 Exhibition : Golden. The exhibition was at the CHAxART Gallery. It consists of 8 paintings and drawings inspired by 11 Dutch masters with a focus on the Dutch Golden Age. The exhibition also includes 5 illustrations for Andi Georgescu's poetry book *LUST*.
- 2021-2024 I designed the several logos for the research groups in the VU Amsterdam.

Awards

- 2021 Winner, the student writing contest *VU Pride*, Amsterdam.
- 2023 Winner of the Audience Award (*Nice to MEET you*), *VU 72-hour Film Challenge*, Amsterdam
- 2023 Winner of the Audience Award (*A precious shadow*), *Amsterdam Student Film Festival*, Amsterdam
- 2024 Nominated for the Mr. Zee Documentary Award (*A precious shadow*), *11th SHORTCUTZ Amsterdam Annual awards*, Amsterdam

Education and Professional Experience

- 2017 – 2022 **Ph.D. candidate in Artificial Intelligence**, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, Amsterdam, NL.
- 2022-2024 **Researcher (Scientific Engineer & Data Steward)**
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