

Bay Backner (1981) is a British post-Brexit artist working in Valencia, Spain. She holds a degree in Physics from Oxford University, gained while studying life-drawing at The Ruskin School of Art and theatre design in The Oxford Playhouse. Her paintings exhibit internationally and have been featured by Grazia magazine. Backner is the current artist in residence at The British School of Valencia, and is certified by the Smithsonian Institute in Teaching Critical Thinking through Art. She is founder of women's arts collective Colonia Roma.

Solo Exhibitions

- 2019 - 'Obras Experimentales', Espai Metafora, Valencia
- 2018 - 'December', Dandelion Gallery, Valencia
- 2018 - 'Cuentame Una Historia', Vortex, Valencia
- 2018 - 'All Our Stories', Vortex, Valencia
- 2017 - 'How to Be Beautiful', The Gallery at 164, Leeds
- 2017 - 'Front Row', Saltaire UNESCO World Heritage Site, Yorkshire
- 2017 - Hale Residency at Make Art Shipley, Yorkshire

Selected Group Exhibitions

- 2020 - Fragilidad, Sporting Club Russafa, Valencia
- 2020 - Flash Figures, The RW Project, Valencia
- 2020 - London Fashion Week, Runway Gallery, London
- 2020 - 'Re-Visible', The Crossley Gallery, Halifax
- 2019 - ConFusion Festival 2019, El Cabanyal, Valencia
- 2019 - Open Studios, Colonia Roma, Valencia
- 2018 - '15 x 15', Sporting Club Russafa, Valencia
- 2018 - Feria del Arte, Sporting Club Russafa, Valencia
- 2018 - 'NOW HERE', 4P Gallery, Valencia
- 2018 - AAF Battersea, Edgar Modern Gallery Stand, London
- 2017 - Leeds Light Night, Festival of the Arts, Leeds
- 2017 - Saltaire Arts Festival, Yorkshire
- 2015 - 'Pick & Mix', Dye House Gallery, Bradford

Press

- *'Meet the anti-scroll model, Bay Backner'*, Grazia Magazine, June '17
- *'Artist looks to world's leading ladies to help define our idea of beauty'*, Yorkshire Post, Sept '17
- *'Painting a picture of beauty'*, Yorkshire Evening Post, Sept '17

Education

- 2006 - Tate Britain, Short course, Contemporary Still Life
- 2006 - Central Saint Martins, UAL, Experimental Printmaking
- 2003 - 2005 - Canterbury Christ Church University College & Teachfirst, QTS
- 2001 - 2003 - Life Drawing, Ruskin School of Art, Oxford
- 1999 - 2003 - Magdalen College, University of Oxford, MA Physics

