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EDUCATION

Graduate Studies (18 credits NDS)

University of Colorado, Boulder, CO

Masters of Arts (defended 2021)

Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN

Bachelor of Fine Arts (conferred 2018)

Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN

Study Abroad (Fall 2017)

Tainan National University of the Arts, Tainan, Taiwan

EXHIBITIONS

- * Denotes Solo Exhibitions
- ** Denotes Independently Organized, Collaborative Exhibition

2023

tl;dr, juried exhibition, MidwestNice Art, Online Exhibition *nice; 01*, juried exhibition, MidwestNice Art, Aberdeen, SD

2022

**The Things I Never Told You About, personal residence, Boulder, CO

2021

*Reclaim, Thesis Exhibition, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN *January Artist of the Month, Rush Smokes & Liquor, Mankato, MN

2020

Ceramics: Then and Now, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN Annual Juried Exhibition, 410 Project Gallery, Mankato, MN

2019

ArtScape Juried Show, The 4 Pillars Gallery, New Ulm, MN Student Juried Show, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN College Conglomerate, 410 Project Gallery, Mankato, MN OmniMatter Pop-Up Show, Mankato Makerspace, Mankato, MN

2018

PRIDE, 410 Project Gallery, Mankato, MN *Senior Show*, Conkling Gallery, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN *Juried Show*, 410 Project Gallery, Mankato, MN

2017

*Translated Communication, Tainan National University of the Arts, Taiwan Student Juried Show, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN

2016

Student Juried Show, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN *Nelson Hall Display Case, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN Student Juried Show, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Instructor of Record, Eisenhower Ninth Grade College Prep, Aldine ISD, Houston, TX 2023-present

• Instructing primary courses in High School Art

Instructor of Ceramics and Sculpture, Studio Z Art & Design School, Houston, TX, 2022-2023

• Instructing primary age ceramics and sculpture workshops and courses

Graduate Part Time Instructor, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO, 2021-2022

• Instructing advanced foundations course

Artist Residency, Dwight D. Eisenhower High School, Houston, TX, 2020, 1 Week

• Teaching students ceramic techniques

Instructor of Record, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN, 2019-2021

• Instructing foundations art course

Artist Residency, Dwight D. Eisenhower High School, Houston, TX, 2019, 1 Week

• Teaching students ceramic techniques

Artist Residency, Prairie Winds Middle School, Mankato, MN, December 2018, 2 Weeks

- Independently demonstrating and teaching proper wheel throwing technique
- Grant Recipient

Artist Residency, Franklin Elementary School, Mankato, MN, 2016, 1 Week

- Introducing K-6 students to the potter's wheel through demonstration and hands-on lesson
- Grant Recipient

Visiting Guest Artist, Mankato Public and Charter Schools, Mankato, MN, 2016-2018

• Demonstrating and teaching proper wheel throwing technique in primary classrooms and through intergenerational workshops

Teachers Assistant, Mankato Public Schools, MN, 2015-16

• Teachers aid in primary classrooms

ADDITIONAL RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Retail / Restaurant Customer Service Experience, 9 years

• Retail Sales Associate, Restaurant host, server, trainer, and shift supervisor

Adobe Creative Suite Experience and Instruction

• Proficient with Photoshop, Illustrator, and InDesign programs

Wood / Metal Shop Fabrication Experience and Training

• Familiar with safe and effective operation of most hand and power tools

LEADERSHIP

President of Mudworks, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN

• President of student ceramics club, academic year 2016-2017

Mark Lowe Endowment Scholarship, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN, 2016

Theatre Captain, Mounds View High School, Arden Hills, MN

• Crew captain in charge of set design, construction, and stage management, 2013

AWARDS

Rookie Teacher of the Year, Eisenhower Ninth Grade College Prep, Aldine ISD, Houston, TX, 2023-2024 Art Graduate Research Scholarship, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO, 2021 Nadine B. Andreas Graduate Assistant Award, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN, 2020 Honorable Mention, *Student Juried Show*, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN, 2019