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**EDUCATION** 

Dec 2016 VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY Richmond, VA

BA in Art History

Double Majors: Art History and African American Studies

Minor: History

Certificate in Community Engagement through VCU Academic Scholars

Program in Real Environments (ASPiRE)

Dean's List: Fall 2012; Spring 2013

May 2021 MARYLAND INSTITUTE COLLEGE OF ART Baltimore, MD

MFA in Community Arts

Certificate in the College Teaching of Art

#### **ATTRIBUTES**

-Unique, hard-working problem solver with excellent attention to detail and ability to retain facts.

- -Impressive presentation, motivational, and interpersonal communication skills.
- -Proficient with in-person and virtual project facilitation
- -Other skills and practices include:

Grant Writing and Program Proposal for Nonprofits; Photography and Videography; Painting and Illustration; Mural and Installation Art; Writing; Oral History; Performance: Voice Acting, Vocal Performance, Dance, Trombone, and Piano; Basic Graphic Design; Microsoft Office; Adobe Premiere, Photoshop, and Lightroom

#### **EXPERIENCE**

Apr 2022 - Present JUBILEE ARTS Baltimore, MD

# **Program Manager**

- -Managing a team of Teaching Artists
- -Event planning and facilitation
- -Community and partner outreach, social media management, and marketing
- -Data management and other administrative duties

Jan 2022 - Aug 2022 LAUREL ARTS COUNCIL Laurel, MD

# **Public Art Consultant**

- -Conducting community visioning for public art in Laurel
- -Aiding the arts council in the drafting of a strategic plan for public art, tied into the city's Master Plan
- -Reviewing calls for artists and/or preliminary design concepts for public murals and other forms of public art

# Nov 2021 - Apr 2022 MARYLAND STATE ARTS COUNCIL Baltimore, MD

# **Grant Panelist**

- -Reviewing FY23 Grants for Organizations
- -Aiding in the selection process

# Oct 2021 - Apr 2022 EYL365 PROJECT Washington, DC

# **Teaching Artist**

- -Developing arts enrichment activities for youth (primarily preschool 1st grade)
- -Facilitating after school art classes
- -Collaborating with staff to create related PR materials

# Aug 2021 - June 2022 GREENMOUNT WEST COMMUNITY CENTER (FREELANCE) Baltimore, MD

# Commissioned Teaching Artist/Community Build Team Member

- -Creating and facilitating the Mural Maestros program, a pilot program designed to link youth apprentices with ongoing public art projects in real environments; this year's project is connected to the Bell House Community Build, a mutual aid initiative and home renovation project tackling the effects of gentrification in Greenmount West
- -Aiding youth participants in portfolio development
- -Coordinating and curating an art exhibition of participant artwork
- -Attending and reporting at regularly scheduled staff meetings
- -Volunteering with staff to help with community build days and renovation efforts

# Oct 2020 - Oct 2021 <u>ULMAN FOUNDATION (FELLOWSHIP)</u> Baltimore, MD

## **Art Fellow**

- -Creating and facilitating a series of fine arts programs for cancer survivors and staff associated with the Ulman Foundation as well as their families
- -Coordinating and curating an art exhibition of participant artwork with Ulman staff and workshop participants
- -Collaborating with staff to create related PR materials
- -Attending and reporting at regularly scheduled staff meetings and one on ones with supervisor

## Aug 2020 - May 2021 MARYLAND INSTITUTE COLLEGE OF ART Baltimore, MD

# **Graduate Teaching Intern**

-Teaching Assistant for the First Year Experience Forum class (aiding in advising, assisting with project development, providing general support to a class of first year students at MICA)

## Aug 2020 - May 2021 MARYLAND INSTITUTE COLLEGE OF ART Baltimore, MD

# MFA in Community Arts Graduate Program Assistant

- -Project Manager for the POWER Speaker Series (event planning, conducting meetings, organizing documents)
- -Providing general support to peers in the MFACA program

# Oct 2019 - Aug 2021 PORT DISCOVERY CHILDREN'S MUSEUM Baltimore, MD

## **Artist in Residence**

-Program and web content development

- -Facilitation art classes and workshops at the museum and in local schools while on outreach
- -Creating installations and curating displays for the museum

# Aug 2019 - Aug 2021 AMERICORPS Baltimore, MD

# **Community Art Collaborative Program Member**

- -Attending regular professional development meetings and workshops with colleagues and staff
- -Reporting on fundraising, resource distribution, program activities, etc.
- -Hands on community engagement and community organizing

# Sep 2018 - March 2020 <u>CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS OF SOUTH COUNTY</u> Edgewater, MD **Instructor**

- -Creating art workshops (planning projects, making supply lists, coordinating with arts center staff, etc.)
- -Leading workshop instruction and overseeing student showcases when applicable
- -Creating displays for and selling personal artwork

# Sep 2018 - Nov 2018 <u>ANNE ARUNDEL PUBLIC LIBRARY (VOLUNTEER)</u> Brooklyn Park, MD **Guest Artist**

- -Creating after-school art workshops for the Brooklyn Park Branch of the Anne Arundel County Public Library (planning projects, making supply lists, coordinating with library staff, etc.)
- -Leading workshop instruction
- -Creating displays for personal artwork

# Oct 2017 - Mar 2018 ALL SOULS WORLD LANGUAGE CATHOLIC SCHOOL Los Angeles, CA

# Art Class Teacher's Assistant/After Care Staff

- -Responsible for assisting in the creation of the art class curriculum for all eligible grades (k-7<sup>th</sup>)
- -Aiding in classroom instruction: gathering materials, leading lectures, assisting children with difficult tasks, etc.
- -After-school homework assistance and general guidance; overseeing groups of 20+ children

# Mar 2017 - Aug 2017 GALILEO INNOVATION CAMPS FOR KIDS Los Angeles, CA

#### **Summer Intern**

- -Creating visual media (photo booths, camp signage, etc.)
- -Designing and organizing crafts and activities for children
- -Preparing classroom materials for lessons and assisting with special events
- -Assisting Operations Coordinator with daily activities and office operations
- -Responsible for facilitating extended care
- -Training in the Galileo Innovator's Approach, a method of problem solving for educators, facilitators, and students

# Nov 2015 - May 2016 THE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM OF RICHMOND Richmond, VA

## **Art Studio Assistant**

- -Responsible for studio maintenance
- -Creating craft storyboards
- -Teaching crafts to guests with live demonstrations

- -Maintaining and organizing the studio by cleaning and restocking supplies
- -Preparing spaces and creating art for museum events

## **VOLUNTEER**

- 2014 2016 Carver Promise Mentor, Richmond, VA.
- 2018 AACPL Youth Art Workshop "Finding Your Voice in Art", Brooklyn Park MD.
- 2018 AACPL Youth Art Workshop "Ink Art in Many Voices", Brooklyn Park, MD.
- 2020 Creative City School Mural Project "We Are a Community", Baltimore, MD.

#### **EXHIBITION HISTORY**

- 2015 BASE Annual Showcase, "Justice or Else", Richmond, VA.
- 2016 BASE Annual Showcase, "B(I)ack by Popular Demand", Richmond, VA.
- 2017 BASE & Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. Art Auction, Richmond, VA.
- 2017 The Alhambra, "Mosaic Craft Fair", Alhambra, CA.
- 2018 Chesapeake Arts Center, "Arts in the Park", Brooklyn Park, MD.
- 2018 Creative and Performing Arts Center of South County Display, Edgewater, MD.
- 2018 Columbia Arts Center, "Erase Hate Through Art", Columbia, MD.
- 2018 Brooklyn Park Library Display (Solo Exhibition), Brooklyn Park, MD.
- 2018 Chesapeake Arts Center, "Erase Hate Through Art", Brooklyn Park, MD.
- 2018 Muse Paintbar Display, Annapolis, MD.
- 2019 More Than Java Cafe, "Savoring the Memories" (Solo Exhibition), Laurel, MD.
- 2019 Bowie City Hall, "Abstracts", Bowie, MD.
- 2019 Bowie City Hall, "Figuratively Speaking", Bowie, MD.
- 2019 Bowie City Hall, "Seasons of Change", Bowie, MD.
- 2019 What's Up? Media, "Artist's Favorites", Annapolis, MD.
- 2020 Virginia Commonwealth University, "Black History Month Art Showcase", Richmond, VA.
- 2021 Maryland Institute College of Art, "All Are Welcome: MFA in Community Arts Graduate Thesis Show", Baltimore, MD.
- 2021 Single Carrot Theatre, "Passing of the Torch", Baltimore, MD.
- 2021 Historic Old Bowie, "Old Bowie Celebrates! Festival", Bowie, MD.
- 2021 Bromo Arts District, Bromo Art Walk Vendor with Hot Sauce Artist Collective, Baltimore, MD.
- 2022 Zo Gallery, "Genesis", Baltimore, MD.
- 2022 Motorhouse, "Learning to Love as I Do", Baltimore, MD.
- 2022 Art Vibez and The Third, "Women of Color Art Expo (WOCAX)", Columbia, MD.
- 2022 Cahoots Brothers, "What's Left to Give?", Baltimore, MD.
- 2022 Jubilee Arts, "Homecoming | Homegoing" (Solo Exhibition), Baltimore, MD.
- 2022 Zo Gallery, "404 Artwork Not Found" (Solo Exhibition), Baltimore, MD.
- 2023 Berkeley Arts Council, "My Home Town", Martinsburg, WV.

#### **SELECT COLLECTIONS**

- "VCU". Virginia Commonwealth University. Richmond, VA. Acquired 2014.
- "Brooklyn Park Public Library Mural". AACPL Brooklyn Park Branch. Brooklyn Park, MD. Acquired 2020.

- "Keep Playing Baltimore Mural". Port Discovery Children's Museum. Baltimore, MD. Completed 2021.
- "Black Lives Matter Mural". University of Baltimore. Baltimore, MD. Completed 2021.
- "BLK Beat". Mural for Greenmount West's Bell House Community Build Project. Baltimore, MD. Completed 2022.

# **AWARDS/AFFILIATIONS**

- Jan 2013 Dec 2016 Honors Society Memberships
  - -National Society for Collegiate Scholars
  - -Phi Eta Sigma Honors Society
  - -Order of Omega Greek Honors Society

Aug 2013 - May 2015 Academic Scholars Program in Real Environments (ASPiRE) at Virginia Commonwealth University

- Jan 2014 Commissioned Artist for VCU's Student Union 30th Anniversary (Juried Contest)
- Feb 2014 President's Volunteer Service Award Recipient
- Apr 2014 Dec 2016 Active Member of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. (Positions Held)
  - -Vice President/Membership Chair
  - -Historian
  - -Community Service Chair
  - -Step Mistress
  - -National Pan-Hellenic Council Delegate
  - -Fraternity and Sorority Life Marketing Team Member
- Aug 2015 Dec 2016 Black Art Student Empowerment (BASE) at Virginia Commonwealth University.
- Aug 2019 Mar 2020 Maryland Citizens for the Arts Arts Advocates Network of Maryland Steering Committee
- Nov 2020 Present No Permission Art Collective
- June 2021 Central Baltimore Partnership Spruce Up Grantee
- Aug 2021 Present Hot Sauce Artist Collective
- Sep 2021 Old Bowie Festival Art Show People's Choice Award
- Jan 2023 Present Baltimore County Arts Guild Resident Artist Program