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SUMMARY

Makayla Castillo is an AFA student in Studio Art at Montgomery College and is transferring in Fall 2024 to Maryland Institute of Art. She has won multiple awards and publications. Makayla has an Instagram following of 17k+, and enjoys sharing her artwork with people online. She has exhibited and shown artwork at Montgomery County Library, Cultivate 7Twelve, Montgomery College, and Plaza Art Rockville. She is also an art teacher for multiple organizations, and enjoys sharing her love of creativity with others. Makayla enjoys creating portraits, figures, and using bright colors to create her artwork.

EXPERIENCE

Gifted Academy Educational Center, Washington DC – Art Teacher

NOVEMBER 2023 – PRESENT

- Creating and teaching enriching and interactive art lessons for students ages 5-17.
- Exercising appropriate class management.
- Connecting and interacting with youth and getting them excited to learn.

Abrakadoodle, Washington DC – Art Teacher

AUGUST 2024 – PRESENT

- Teaching interactive and enriching art lessons to the ages 1-5.
- Exercising appropriate class management.
- Connecting and interacting with youth and getting them excited to learn.

Montgomery College, Rockville, MD – Studio Monitor

AUGUST 2024 – PRESENT

- Keep the Studio a safe and organized space for creativity.
- Allow students access to materials for projects.
- Ensure students leave the Studio as it was when they entered.
- Enforce Studio closing

PUBLICATIONS

Pulse – JustLove Collection, Silver Spring, MD

MAY 2024 ISSUE

Pulse is an Adventist publication, the JustLove Collection is a collection that aims to support and advocate for LGBTQ, minorities and other oppressed groups. For this publication my artwork was used as a representation for christian advocacy during times of disagreement and turmoil.

Pulse – JustLove Collection, Silver Spring, MD

OCTOBER 2024 ISSUE

Pulse is an Adventist publication, the JustLove Collection is a collection that aims to support and advocate for LGBTQ, minorities and other oppressed groups. For this publication my artwork, "Childlike Wonder", was created to represent wonder and imagination in a world filled with anger and pain. I wanted to show that despite our worlds current climate, children still manage to be children.

Rockville Red Jacket, Rockville, MD

APRIL 2024 ISSUE

Red Jacket is a student art publication that holds yearly competitions that allow students the opportunity of being published. My artworks were selected in order to show Montgomery College student talent and creativity.

AWARDS and HONORS

18,000 SAIC Creative Honors Scholarship, Chicago, IL

MAY 2023

This award, awarded by the School of Art Institute of Chicago, is granted to students with academic excellence and outstanding performance and achievement in art.

Young Adult Fine Art Winner, Silver Spring, MD

MAY 2024

This award, awarded by Action Youth Media at the annual Montgomery County Youth Media Festival 2024, awards young adult fine artists who create works for advocacy. The artwork that won is entitled, "Pressure".

Montgomery Art Association Scholarship, Rockville, MD

MAY 2024

This award, awarded by Montgomery College, is awarded to students who achieve academic excellence and demonstrate skill in the fine arts.

Collaboration with Artist Anna Kroll, Rockville, MD

OCTOBER 2024

I had the opportunity to assist Anna Kroll in setting up her exhibition. I also worked collaboratively with her in my 2D and 3D Art classes, exhibiting with her at the end of the month.