

Derek Parsons

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Education

School of the Art Institute of Chicago - Chicago, IL
Studying for a BFA in Studio Arts with an emphasis on Painting & Drawing
Anticipated graduation 2026

MiraCosta College - Oceanside, CA
2022-2024

University of California, Santa Cruz – Santa Cruz, CA
2017-2020
Studied computer science and mathematics and was on track to graduate in 2021. Paused enrollment in 2020 in response to coronavirus pandemic.

Torrey Pines High School – San Diego, CA
Graduated June 2017

Exhibitions

2024 Home, Group Exhibition, Kruglak Gallery, Oceanside CA
 Impressions, Group Exhibition, Kruglak Gallery, Oceanside CA
2023 Visions Revealed, Group Exhibition, Kruglak Gallery, Oceanside CA
2022 Connections, Group Exhibition, Kruglak Gallery, Oceanside CA

Experience

Residential Painter

Summer 2015, 2016, 2018, 2020-2024
Parsons Construction Company – San Diego, CA
Performed interior and exterior painting tasks for residential remodel projects. Also involved with finish carpentry and demolition tasks.

Line Cook - Micheline's Pita House

August 2022-2024
Micheline's Pita House - San Diego, CA
Team member position involved with preparing dishes to order, with a focus on customer service and food safety.

Shift Lead – Jamba Juice

April-August 2019, March 2020-April 2022
Jamba Juice – San Diego, CA
Acted as shift manager in charge of the store. Ensured team members were working effectively and resolved customer issues. Responsibilities included: inventory, cash management, opening and/or closing business, and training new employees.

Tech I – Solana Beach School District

Summer 2017, 2018, 2021, 2023
Solana Beach School District – Solana Beach, CA
As part of a team, managed and configured Mac desktops, laptops and mobile devices. Also installed peripherals and fixed malfunctioning equipment. Experience with Mac and Linux systems.