

CATIE BARRON

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Education: **BFA School of the Art Institute of Chicago (SAIC) - Chicago, Illinois – May 2009**
Degree focus – Studio Painting and Drawing

Professional Experience:

July 2009 - Current *Catarzina – artwork by Catie Barron, Saint Charles, IL*

Owner/Artist

- Creating artwork for sale and exhibition at Cedar Avenue Studio, 1020 Cedar Avenue, Suite 206, St. Charles, IL.
- 2012-2013 Resident Artist – Water Street Studios, Batavia, IL
- Researching, curating, and establishing art exhibition space utilizing vacant commercial spaces.

August 2012 – December 2015 *St. Charles Arts Council, St. Charles, IL*

- Co-Chair for committee to establish 95,000sqft East End Arts Center containing studios, galleries, black box theaters, festival space, and children's museum.
- Volunteer for Next Gallery projects and Charlie's Center for the Arts.

June 2013 – December 2015 *City of St. Charles, St. Charles, IL*

- Visitor's Cultural Commissioner – a committee that reviews grant applications by local art organizations and distributes monies accordingly.

October 2009 – April 2010 *American Cancer Society – Discovery Ball 2010, Chicago, IL*

Associate Board of Ambassador and Auction Gallery Curator

- Volunteering time and talent to research artists, network, and collect donated visual art to be auctioned in the silent auction to raise funds. Created jury for art selection process.
- Working to establish an exhibition of the work in collaboration with the American Cancer Society to raise additional funds outside of the event along with increased awareness and marketing opportunities. Contacting galleries and potential corporate sponsors for exhibition space.
- Researching and negotiating a corporate underwriter for the gallery.

August 2008-February 2009 *David Adler Music & Arts Center, Libertyville, IL*

Visual Arts Coordinator

- Organized 29th annual Festival of the Arts focusing on improved artist amenities as well as the developing a national network of artists.
- Created networking relationships with various arts organizations, raised awareness of the visual arts in the community, and improved communication with the Illinois Arts Council resulting in ambassadorship to the arts.
- Completed Jeffris Family Foundation grant research and application for potential funding to improve the historic David Adler farmhouse residence.
- Participated in monthly Board of Director's meetings providing visual art program updates along with new program and marketing ideas.
- Organized and established a children's art education program, hiring staff and creating marketing campaign.
- Researched and organized an exhibition gallery (currently in process).

Summer 2006-2008 *Cantigny Park, Wheaton, IL*

Summer Workshop Instructor

- Art and Kids in the Garden – Pastel workshop of garden flowers.
- Paint a Family Memory – Collaborative Family Workshop in the gardens.

Summer 2006 *Kaleidoscope School of Art, Barrington, IL*

Summer Class Instructor

- Grants / Awards:**
- 2011 Artist in Residence, Cedarburg Cultural Center, Cedarburg, Wisconsin
Outstanding Event Fundraising/Outstanding New Member – ABOA – American Cancer Society, Chicago, IL
 - 2008 Garden Festival Banner – West Chicago, IL
 - 2007 Honorable Mention, Artist's on the Urban Edge X, Barrington, IL
Merit Scholarship – School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL
Grant Recipient – School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL
Merit Scholarship – Art For All, Elgin, IL

- Exhibitions:**
- 2015 Art Around the Corner (The Wine Exchange), St. Charles, Illinois (Invited)
Creek Gallery (various exhibitions), Crystal Lake, Illinois (Juried)
St. Charles Arts Council Open House, St. Charles, Illinois
Featured Person, Parade Magazine, Chicago Tribune – Salary Issue (Invited)
 - 2014 Art Around the Corner (The Wine Exchange), St. Charles, Illinois (Invited)
Skylight Gallery (Founded and Participated), St. Charles, Illinois
Black White Red, neXt gallery, St. Charles Arts Council, St. Charles, IL (Juried)
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Art In Your Eye, Batavia, IL (Juried)
 - 2013 Winter Show, Water Street Studios, Batavia, IL (Juried)
Solo Exhibition, Allen & Pepa, Aurora, IL (Invited)
Relic, Batavia Fine Arts Center, Batavia, IL (Invited)
 - 2012 4th Fridays Anniversary Exhibition, Starline Gallery, Harvard, IL / April, May, Oct (Juried)
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 - 2011 Main Street Gallery, Cedarburg Cultural Center, Cedarburg, WI
Solo Exhibition, BMO Harris Bank Gallery, Cedarburg, WI
 - 2010 Discovery Ball Auction Gallery, Simply Chicago Art, Evanston, IL (Juried)
American Cancer Society Discovery Ball (artwork donation), Chicago, IL
Harper Gallery, Chicago, IL
 - 2009 Two + Three, Fine Arts Building, Chicago, IL
Solo Exhibition, The Noble Grape, Chicago, IL (Juried)
Wet Walls of Chicago, Libertyville, IL
SAIC Undergraduate Exhibition, Sullivan Galleries, Chicago, IL
The Art of Giving, Cantigny Gardens, Wheaton, IL (Invited)
 - 2008 Gallery 200, West Chicago, IL (Juried)
The David Adler Music & Arts Center, Libertyville, IL
The Art of Giving, Cantigny Gardens, Wheaton, IL (Juried)
American Cancer Society Discovery Ball (artwork donation), Chicago, IL
 - 2007 Artists on the Urban Edge X, Barrington Area Arts Council Gallery, Barrington, IL (Juried)
Solo Exhibition, Barrington Public Library, Barrington, IL
American Cancer Society Discovery Ball (artwork donation), Chicago, IL
 - 2006 Elgin Community College Student Art Show, Elgin, IL (Juried)

- Memberships:**
- Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society
 - Sonoran Arts League, Cave Creek, AZ
 - Scottsdale Art League, Scottsdale, AZ