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EXPERIENCE

Medicine Walls, LLC - Founder / Director

2020 - Present

- ★ Managing, art directing, designing and fabricating private and community mural projects. Hiring / managing teams to assist.
- ★ Managing and directing “the Dojo” studio rentals, events and operations.
- ★ Leading classes and workshops in drawing, painting, 3d and visual support + strategies for social justice mobilizations.

Mayday Space / Creatives Rebuild NY

Brooklyn NY — Artist in Residence

JUNE 2022 - JUNE 2024

- ★ Creating and facilitating arts programs and visual support for events and festivals.
- ★ Management of studio space, supplies and inventory
- ★ Creation of graphics and outreach materials for workshops
- ★ Leading special projects and community rapid response art builds.

Groundswell - Lead Artist

2008 - 2020

- ★ Prepared and executed work plan for engaging youth workers in researching and learning about the theme and community partner. Planned visual literacy exercises to generate ideas and concepts for the mural. Trained youth workers with the skills required to execute the design project. Created a cohesive design based on collaborative research and brainstorming. Coordinated trips, built scaffolding, managed the work site, held meetings with the team and assistant and delegated tasks and responsibilities to youth artists. Created and maintained a safe and organized work environment.

EDUCATION + TRAINING

Parsons School of Design,
New York City — BFA

2014

OSHA Hazard Recognition
Training (10hr)

2018

SKILLS

Art Direction

Illustration(traditional and digital)

Photoshop / Illustrator / Procreate

Experienced Muralist

Printmaking (Silkscreen+Relief)

Curriculum design and project
-management

Studio Management

Graphic Notetaking facilitation

AWARDS

Creatives Rebuild NY
Artist Employment Program Grant

Panta Rhea Foundation
Flow Fund

Movement Generation
Creative Wildfire Grant

Ruckus Society
ACT! Action Catalyst Toolbox Grant

CCCADI
Innovative Cultural Advocacy
Fellowship

Public Assistants
Divine Fellows / Artist Residency

Graphic Notetaking & Illustration Facilitation

2017 - Present

Live Graphic notetaking facilitation for events and conferences. Actively listening to complex discussions and illustrating key points in real time.

NOVO Foundation - Muralist / Painter

2008 - 2020

Greenpeace - Arts & Resistance Trainer

2016- 2020

- ★ Developed trainings for Greenpeace Action Camp
- ★ Facilitate workshops for arts track in silkscreen, sewing, banner design and 3D construction.
- ★ Managing the set up of arts workspace, supplies and safety.
- ★ Coordinating work plan with other trainers.

People's Collective Arts - Core Steward

2015 -2019

- ★ Art directed and managed art builds for movement moments, marches and large protests. Helped to create visual strategies and art interventions for actions including but not limited to banners, 3D objects, posters, signs and parachutes.

Kaikai Kiki Studio - Studio Assistant to Takashi Murakami

2015

- ★ Responsible for mixing color, studio maintenance, following a detailed workflow, printing original art, and packing & shipping artwork to Japan.

The New School - Printmaking Assistant

2014

- ★ Responsible for the care and maintenance of studio space and equipment, helping students with safety and technical troubleshooting with the printing processes of silkscreen, relief and letterpress.

Clients + Partnerships

- ★ The New School
- ★ Communities First
- ★ Mosaic Group
- ★ New Yorkers Against Gun Violence
- ★ Climate Justice Alliance
- ★ Wild Diversity
- ★ Grantmakers for Girls of Color
- ★ Girls for Gender Equity
- ★ 350.org
- ★ Movement for Family Power
- ★ Broadway Commons
- ★ WOODSTACK
- ★ Oye Group
- ★ ArtBridge
- ★ Uprose
- ★ Sane Energy Project

LANGUAGES

English, (some)Spanish

El Puente (Bushwick Center) - Arts Instructor

2005 - 2010

- ★ Led art and craft projects in drawing, painting, bookmaking, stencil and silk-screening etc, for the afterschool program. Coordinated and chaperoned trips as part of programming. Lead workshops and gender groups. Mentored youth and collaborated with fellow artists and instructors and supported community programs, events and initiatives.

Pixel Printing - Pre/Post Production Printing Assistant

2003 - 2004

- ★ Prepared digital files for print. Occasional file / photo retouching. Managed workflow, print production and output. Cut materials using guillotine. Die-cutting, Laminating and package design assembly. Organized workspace and met with clients.

SPECIAL PROJECTS

Re-Define Terror : A Cantastoria 2024

Co-wrote and art directed a multidisciplinary collaborative performance piece utilizing visual art, music and dance supporting a spoken word piece. Managed community painting and volunteers to support fabrication.

Invest in Community 2021

A Medicine Walls Initiative in partnership with Color of Change, Communities United for Police Reform (CPR) { Make the Road NYC, Malcolm X Grassroots Movement, Arab American Association NY, Vocal NYC, Justice Committee.}

- ★ Art directed and Project managed 6 mural projects to promote the relocation of city funds from over policing to community health services.
- ★ Onboarded Artists and hired and trained assistants during fabrication.
- ★ Secured and set up workspace for artists and managed budget and supplies for fabrication.
- ★ Managed documentation and assets to support existing campaigns.
- ★ Organized Invest in Community Art Walk between two community gardens in Bushwick to unveil murals and programmed the activities and performances.