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Professional visual artist with national and international experience in design, project management, business development, arts management, art direction and mural projects.

Work Experience

- Hunter College, Office of the Arts Department, NYC 2018 – 2020
Arts Ambassadors Coordinator
Assisting Communications and Outreach Coordinator with management of the 20-member Student Arts Ambassador program
 - Communicate with students through social media channels including Slack and Instagram
 - Oversee outings to cultural institutions with ambassadors and other Hunter students
 - Attend and Represent OAA at Educational Fairs, Scholarship Orientations and Career Service Events
 - Assist with pre-event meetings content and scheduling
 - Compile list of arts event and happenings in NYC for Student awareness via Instagram updates
 - Relationship building with community Arts organization for Cultural Partner Opportunities

 - 45th /46th Street Neighborhood Association and Hells Kitchen Commons, Hells Kitchen NYC 2012 - Present
Project Manager and Lead Muralist for historic recreation restoration of Artist Arnold Belkin mural “Against Domestic Colonialism”
 - Created neighborhood mural program to support the restoration of 1972 mural
 - Conducted fundraising activities including corporate sponsorship and crowdfunding
 - Designed web presence for the project
 - Liaised with local community, NYC Department of Park and Recreation and Offices of New York City Council to build community support for the project
 - Oversight of budget, hiring and training of artists

 - Brooklyn Academy of Music (BAM), Brooklyn NY
 - *DanceAfrica Visual Artist*
 - Adapted set design for for DanceAfrica set in BAM Opera House May 2019
 - *Harvey Theater, Visual Artist and Project Management in Decorative Designs*
 - Restoration work with Mitchell/Guiurgola Architects 2013 – 2020

 - Adirondack Studios, Argyle NY and NYC, NY 2013 - 2018
Business Development for Public Art Production Fabrication
 - Liaised with Public Art site presenters and commissioning agencies about ADKstudios services
 - Developed catalogue of services available to artists
 - Assisted artists in permit and engineering requirements, materials and other installation needs

 - Bridge Project, BAM Theater NYC and Old Vic Theater London, Singapore 2009 - 2012
Senior Artist and Design Consultant,
 - A three seasons project translating production designs into new working traveling sets on location

 - Universal Studios, Osaka Japan various seasons from 2001 to 2006
Art direction and infield senior artist
 - Designed and oversaw fabrication of seasonal parade floats
 - In-field director guiding and teaching local artisans
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Volunteer Leadership Positions

- CUNYBA Peer Mentor Program, NYC: 2020-2021
Mentor
 - Professional guidance in the arts and personal one on one mentoring to CUNYBA undergraduate students.
- American Institute of Architects, NYC Cultural Facilities Committee (AIA CFC): 2014-Present
Program Director 2017-2021
 - Research and development of public panel discussions involving architects, artists and communities
- ArTTable, Community Initiatives Committee NYC 2013- 2020
 - Duties include responding to applications of college and grad students for Special Projects, Internships, Fellowships, and Professional Development opportunities
- NYC Department of Corrections, Rikers Island NYC 2018
 - Teaching Artist for Rikers Island Artist Youth Program: 6-week art class for incarcerated youth

Awards, Residencies and Workshops

- Mellon Foundation Public Humanities Grant: Research grant: Public Art in Sacred Spaces 2020-2021
- Dean's Award Harvard Divinity School 2021
- CUNY BA Award for Outstanding Achievement 2021
- MET Museum Copyist Program Artist in Residency, NYC 2020, 2019
- Tenuta San Francesco Artist Residency Tremonti, Italy 2016
- New Ulm Grand Center for the Arts Artist in Residency New Ulm MN 2016
- Governors Island 4 heads Artist in Residence NYC 2014/2015
- Openings NY Lake George Artist Residency NY

Exhibitions

- Solo Shows:
 - Studio Anise, NYC 2017
 - San Francesco Tenuti Winery and Gallery, Tramonti, Italy 2016
 - Mt. Sinai Hospital Children's Emergency Ward, NYC permanent installation
- Group Shows:
 - NoMAA "Light and Dark", NYC 2021
 - Openings "Collective Pause", NYC 2021
 - Denise Bibro Fine Arts Gallery, "Arts of the Boros VI", NYC 2020, 2018
 - White Space Gallery, "Artisan Series", NYC 2018
 - St. Paul the Apostle, "All of the Above" NYC 2015
 - St. Paul the Apostle, "Folly" NYC 2014
 - St. Francis College, "Openings Collective", Brooklyn 2012
 - Governors Island 4 heads, Governors Island NYC 2012, 2013
 - Hunter College, "Olive Tree Review" Publication 2019
 - Endless Editions and Elizabeth Foundation "Arts 2018 Optimism" Publication 2018

Education

- Harvard Divinity School, Harvard, Cambridge, MA MTS Program Fall 2021 enrollment
- Hunter College, City University of New York, NY *Magna Cum Laude* Fall 2018 – 2021

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