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EDUCATION

- 2023** **Graduate Certificate** – University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI
Nonprofit Management
- 2022** **Masters of Fine Arts** – University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI
Intermedia
- 2017** **Masters of Arts** – Kent State University, Kent, OH
Jewelry/Metals/Enameling
- 2015** **Bachelors of Fine Arts** – University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI
Jewelry/Metals and Ceramics, minor in Art History

PROFESSIONAL & TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2025** **Workshop Co-Instructor**, Milwaukee Makerspace, Milwaukee, WI
Metalsmithing Fundamentals, Introduction to Soldering
- 2019 – 2021** **Graduate Teaching Assistant** – University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI
2020-2021 Graduate Teaching Assistant for Design Survey
2019-2020 Graduate Project Assistant in Jewelry/Metals and Ceramics
- 2018-2019** **Workshop Instructor** – Jewelers Guild, St. Francis, WI
Introduction to Soldering, Soldering Boot Camp, Jeweler's Saw Basics,
Roller Printed Earrings, Layered Pendants, Bezel Setting Basics, Stacking
Rings
- 2018** **Powder Coating Demo** – Earlham College, Richmond, IN
Introduction to Metals and Advanced Metals
- 2017-2018** **Featured Artist, Flight Night, July** – Plume, Milwaukee, WI
Instructional Services Specialist – University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa
Instructional Support/Purchaser & Studio Technician in Jewelry & Metal Arts
- 2017** **Boston Mills Juried Festival Vendor** – Kent State, Cleveland, OH
Emerging Artist Booth
- 2016-2017** **Instructor of Record Jewelry & Metals** – Kent State University, Kent, OH
Introduction to Jewelry & Metalsmithing – Spring 2016 & Spring 2017
Introduction to Jewelry & Metalsmithing for Non-Art Majors – Fall 2016
- 2015-2017** **Studio Technician** – Kent State University, Kent, OH
Storeroom Manager – Kent State University, Kent, OH
Departmental Purchasing Manager – Kent State University, Kent, OH
- 2015** **Graduate Teaching Assistant** – Kent State University, Kent, OH
Graduate Teaching Assistant to Rachel Suzanne Smith for Introduction to
Metals
Fundraising Organizer – Kenilworth Open Studios, University of Wisconsin-
Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI
- 2014-2015** **ArtCycle Milwaukee** – University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI

- Undergraduate Research Project with Michael Dale Bernard
- 2014** **Summer Workshop Assistant**—University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI
Teaching Assistant to Michael Dale Bernard for “Blacksmithing” workshop
Teaching Assistant to Stephanie Voegelé for “Quick Fire Enameling” workshop
- Advertising Team Leader** – University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI
OBJECT Contemporary Craft Sale
- 2013-2015** **Studio Technician** – University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI
Studio Technician & Studio Monitor Manager for Jewelry & Metals
- Studio Assistant** – University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee WI
Studio Assistant to Michael Dale Bernard for Zhou B Arts Center wall installation
- 2013** **Undergraduate Teaching Assistant** – University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI
Teaching Assistant to Michael Dale Bernard for Introduction to Metalsmithing

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2022** **Archiving Absence** – Echoes in Time, Kenilworth Gallery, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI
MFA Thesis Show
- 2017** **If I forget you, it doesn't mean I didn't love you** – Kent State University, Kent, OH
MA Thesis Show

DUAL EXHIBITIONS

- 2018** **Hello My Name is...What? New Faculty Exhibition** – Earlham College, Richmond, IN
[collaborative with Melis Agabigum]
What Lies Beneath – Athens Jewelry Week, Athens, Greece

INVITATIONAL EXHIBITIONS

- 2019** **Mistaken for Strangers** – New York City Jewelry Week, New York City, NY
- 2018** **Antiquemania – Pratt Institute** – Manhattan, New York City Jewelry Week, New York City, NY
- 2016** **CommunitySPACES NEO Invitational Student Art Show** – SPACES, Cleveland, OH
- 2015** **Morning Glory Craft Fair** – Marcus Performing Arts Center, Milwaukee, WI
- 2014** **Crossing Over: Annual Scholarship Recipient Exhibition** – Union Art Gallery, University of Wisconsin—Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI
Accreditation Review Show, National Association of Schools of Art and Design—Kenilworth Studios, University of Wisconsin—Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI
Intermediate and Advanced Categories

JURIED EXHIBITIONS

2025	<p>Melancholy (2nd Juried Annual Exhibition) – Gallerium & The Book of Arts, Online Exhibition</p> <p>Naturalist Gallery Memory Exhibition – Naturalist Gallery of Contemporary Art, Online Exhibition</p>
2023	THE MARKETPLACE EXHIBITION – MARN Gallery, Milwaukee, WI
2024	<p>Vanishing World – Exhibizone Exhibitions, Online Exhibition</p> <p>Adorn: A Collection of Artisanal Jewelry from Across the Country – d'Art Center, Norfolk, VA</p>
2021	<p>La boucle d'oreille/Charmed – Galerie Lewis, Quebec City, Quebec, Canada</p> <p>Outside the Lines – Monique Rancourt Artisan Gallery, Waltham, MA</p> <p>Ritual – Intersect Arts Center, St. Louis, MO</p> <p>On the Surface – Attleboro Arts Museum, Attleboro, MA</p> <p>All Abstract – 311 Gallery, Raleigh, NC</p> <p>2021 Women in Art – Las Laguna Art Gallery, Laguna Beach, CA</p> <p>2021 Holiday Shop at the Ann Arbor Art Center – Ann Arbor Art Center, Ann Arbor, MI</p> <p>2020 College Invitational – Indianapolis Art Center, Indianapolis, IN (rescheduled for Fall 2021)</p>
2020	<p>Chasing Ghosts V: Art that Pierces the Veil through remembrance, legacy, & beyond – Verum Ultimatum Art Gallery, Portland, OR</p> <p>2020 Waterloo Arts Fest Juried Exhibition – Waterloo Arts, Cleveland, OH</p> <p>10x10x10xTieton 2020 – Tieton Arts & Humanities, Tieton, WA</p> <p>12th Annual National Juried Exhibition – 64 ARTS, Monmouth, IL</p> <p>On the Surface – Attleboro Arts Muesum, Attleboro, MA</p> <p>3rd Annual Spring Small Works Show – Vanessa Lacy Gallery, Kansas City, MO</p>
2019	<p>2019 Waterloo Arts Fest Juried Exhibition – Waterloo Arts, Cleveland, OH</p> <p>Mistaken for Strangers – Athens Jewelry Week, Athens, Greece</p> <p>Art of Mind – Imurj, Raleigh, NC</p> <p>Statement Pieces – Sweetwater Center for the Arts, Pittsburg, PA</p> <p>SHAME – Hera Gallery and Educational Foundation, Wakefield, RI</p> <p>3rd Annual: The Egg Show – ArtVale Gallery, Oakland, CA</p> <p>2019 Open Theme Annual – Webster Arts, St. Louis, MO</p> <p>Schmuck/Schmock – NorthCity4, Brunswick, Melbourne, Australia [Collaborative with Melis Agabigum]</p> <p>Materials: Hard + Soft International Contemporary Craft Competition and Exhibition – Greater Denton Arts Council, Denton, TX</p>
2018	<p>Collectiva: Meeting – Porto, Portugal [Collaborative with Melis Agabigum]</p> <p>Ware/Wear – Pocosin Arts, Columbia, NC</p>
2017	<p>So Fresh + So Clean 2017: Fourth Annual Ethical Metalsmiths International Student Exhibition – online exhibition</p> <p>Appropriated Adornment – WE ARE SNAG series 4 – online exhibition</p> <p>2017 Waterloo Arts Annual Exhibition – Waterloo Arts Center, Cleveland OH</p>

2016	Nexus: SNAG Annual Juried Student Exhibition – New Orleans, LA
	Earrings Galore 2017 – traveling exhibition, Heidi Lowe Gallery, Rehoboth, DE
	(Up)Setting The Stone – WE ARE SNAG series 3 – online exhibition
	The Contemporary Jewellery Exchange 2016 – online exhibition
	Metalsmith Magazine: Shifting Sites, Juried Exhibition in Print , ArtCycle Milwaukee, Volume 36, No. 4
	AdornForm – Baltimore Jewelry Center, Baltimore, MD
2015-2016 2015	FormAdorn —Baltimore Clayworks, Baltimore, MD
	[in]tangible – ZOOM Symposium, Milwaukee, WI
	In Transit – ZOOM Symposium, Milwaukee, WI
	Alchemy 3: 11th Annual Juried Student Enamel Exhibition — traveling exhibition
	The Contemporary Jewellery Exchange 2015 – online exhibition plus catalog
	Union Art Gallery: 42nd Annual Juried Show —Union Art Gallery, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI
2014	Metals!15 Annual Juried Student Exhibition —Kenilworth Studios, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI
	Interface: Meetings of Art and Technology —Union Art Gallery, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI
	Metals!14 Annual Juried Student Exhibition –Kenilworth Studios, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI
	Earrings Galore 2014 , traveling exhibition, Heidi Lowe Gallery, Rehoboth, Delaware
	Interchange, NCECA exhibition , Kenilworth Studios, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI
	Metals!13 Annual Juried Student Exhibition – Kenilworth Studios, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2025	Genesis: House of RAD Collected Works – House of RAD Gallery, Milwaukee, WI
2023	Archiving Absence – Feed Your Soul, House of RAD, Milwaukee, WI
2015	Spring 2015 BFA Exhibition – University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI
	Material Connections: Crafting Connections Attendee Exhibition —East Carolina University, Greenville, NC
2014	Art & Design Junior Scholarship Show , University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI
2013	Figure in Clay Exhibition , Kenilworth Open Studios, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI
2012	Advanced Woodworking Exhibition , Kenilworth Open Studios, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI

AWARDS AND HONORS

2021	Distinguished Graduate Fellowship, 2021-2022 school year – University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI
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2020	Juror's Choice Award – 10x10x10xTieton, Tieton Arts, Tieton, WA [collaboration with Melis Agabigum] Tuition Scholarship 2020-2021 school year – Graduate Teaching Assistantship – University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI Chancellor's Graduate Student Award – University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI
2019	Tuition Scholarship 2019-2020 school year – Graduate Teaching Assistantship – University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI
2019	Chancellor's Graduate Student Award – University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI
2018	Conference Travel Grant – University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA
2017	Juror's Choice Award – So Fresh + So Clean International Online Exhibition Workshop Work Study Award – Penland School of Crafts, Penland, NC Graduate International Travel Grant – Kent State University, Kent, OH
2016	Student Conference Scholarship – Society of North American Goldsmiths Graduate Domestic Travel Grant – Kent State University, Kent, OH
2015-2017	Tuition Scholarship – Graduate Teaching Assistantship – Kent State University, Kent, OH
2015	Outstanding Presentation Award – University of Wisconsin Undergraduate Research Symposium, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI
2014-2015	Elsa Ulbricht Scholarship – University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee WI Support for Undergraduate Research Funding (SURF) Grant – University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee WI Funding for ArtCycle Milwaukee for Spring 2014, Fall 2014, and Spring 2015 semesters
2008-2012	Full Tuition Scholarship – Madison Music Clinic, Madison, WI

PUBLICATIONS & CITATIONS

2018	Agabigum, Melis. Art Jewelry Forum. "Athens Jewelry Week 2018: Connecting Connoisseurs and Artists." July 23, 2018. Web. https://artjewelryforum.org/athens-jewelry-week-2018
2017	SNAG//SPACE. We Are SNAG: Appropriated Adornment "Exhibition Catalog." 2017. Web. https://www.snagspace.org/appropriated-adornment#/rachel-andrea-davis-1/ Ethical Metalsmiths. So Fresh, So Clean "Juror's Choice Winner." 2017. Web. https://emstudents.org/exhibitions/2017-so-fresh-so-clean/#jp-carousel-942 Ethical Metalsmiths. So Fresh, So Clean "Exhibition Catalog." 2017. Web. https://emstudents.org/exhibitions/2017-so-fresh-so-clean/#jp-carousel-943 Davis, Rachel. If I forget you, it doesn't mean I didn't love you. Electronic Thesis or Dissertation. Kent State University, 2017. https://etd.ohiolink.edu/pg_10?0::NO:10:P10_ACCESSION_NUM:kent1501461061076469
2016	SNAG//SPACE. We Are SNAG: (Up)Setting the Stone "Exhibition Catalog." 2016. Web. https://www.snagspace.org/upsetting-the-stone#/rachel-andrea-davis/

Metalsmith Magazine: Shifting Sites, Juried Exhibition in Print, ArtCycle Milwaukee, Volume 36, No. 4

Art Jewelry Magazine – ArtCycle Milwaukee, feature, March 2016

2015 **The Contemporary Jewelry Exchange 2015** – Catalog book

GALLERY TALKS & ARTIST PRESENTATIONS

2025 **Genesis: House of RAD Collected Works Artist Talks** – House of RAD Gallery, Milwaukee, WI

So You're Thinking About Grad School – AP3, Milwaukee, WI

2022 **Echoes in Time Artist Talks** – Kenilworth Gallery, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI

2018 **Antiquemania Artist Talks** – Pratt Institute of Art, New York City Jewelry Week, Manhattan, New York City, NY

2015 **UW System Symposium on Undergraduate Research & Activity**— University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI

ArtCycle Milwaukee

Interface: Meetings of Art and Technology—Union Art Gallery, University of Wisconsin—Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI

Panel: Bryan Cera, Jamal Currie, Rachel Andrea Davis, Kaivahn Sarkaratpour, Sara Shuler, and Christopher Willey

WORKSHOPS AND CONFERENCES ATTENDED

2021 **Waste Paper Basket with Anna Robinson (virtual)** – Pocosin Arts, Pocosin, NC

2019 **New York City Jewelry Week** – New York, New York

Athens Jewelry Week – Athens, Greece

2018 **Athens Jewelry Week** – Athens, Greece

Material Topics: Deconstruct/Reconstruct – East Carolina University Metals Symposium, Greenville, NC

2017 **Felt & Straw Hats: Blocked & Freeform with Wayne Wichern** – Penland School of Crafts, NC

SNAG Nexus: A Connection of Ideas — New Orleans, LA

Munich Jewellery Week – Munich, Germany

2016 **Zoom Milwaukee Metals Symposium** — Milwaukee, WI

SNAGneXt: An Interchange and Exchange of the Many Facets of Making a Living in the Field — Asheville, NC

Material Topics: In Flux – East Carolina University Metals Symposium, Greenville, NC

2015 **Impact: Looking Back, Forging Forward** – Society of North American Goldsmiths Conference, Boston, MA

Material Connections — East Carolina University Metals Symposium, Greenville, NC

2014 **Craft Marketing Seminar**—University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI

Sweet Fleet: Ship Building Workshop with Kiel Johnson – University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI

	Blacksmithing Workshop – Centaur Forge, Burlington, WI
	From Grains to Gold – Society of North American Goldsmiths Conference, Minneapolis, MN
	Material World — National Council on Education for the Ceramic Arts Conference, Milwaukee, WI
	Stone Setting Workshop – University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI
2012	Stone Setting Workshop – University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI
2012	Micro-Forming Workshop with NC Black – University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI
	Kiln Firing Workshop —University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI

MEMBERSHIP AND SERVICE

2024-present	Co-Chair Gallery Committee, House of RAD
2019-present	Member Milwaukee Artist Resource Network
2022	Volunteer Repair Days, Memphis Metal Museum
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2019-2022	President SOFKAG (UW-Milwaukee Art & Design Graduate Student Organization) Member OBJECT (UW-Milwaukee Jewelry/Metals Student Organization)
2014-2021	Member Society of North American Goldsmiths (SNAG)
2019-2020	Treasurer SOFKAG (UW-Milwaukee Art & Design Graduate Student Organization)
2017	Volunteer Society of North American Goldsmiths (SNAG) Conference
2016-present	Member Ethical Metalsmiths
2016	Mistress of Ceremonies —University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI ZOOM Milwaukee Symposium volunteer position Volunteer Society of North American Goldsmiths (SNAG) Conference
2015-2017	Treasurer Kent State University Jewelry/Metals Co-Op
2015	Volunteer Society of North American Goldsmiths (SNAG) Conference Volunteer Fabricator Society of North American Goldsmiths (SNAG) Conference Voting Pins Vice President OBJECT (UW-Milwaukee Jewelry/Metals Student Organization) Silent Auction Donor Villa Terrace Museum, Milwaukee, WI
2014-2015	Member Milwaukee Makerspace Member National Council on Education for the Ceramic Arts (NCECA)
2014	Volunteer Society of North American Goldsmiths (SNAG) Conference Volunteer National Council on Education for the Ceramic Arts (NCECA) Conference Volunteer Fabricator Society of North American Goldsmiths (SNAG) Conference Voting Pins Social Media Director OBJECT (UW-Milwaukee Jewelry/Metals Student Organization)
2013	Volunteer Fabricator Society of North American Goldsmiths (SNAG) Conference Voting Brooch Inventory Team Leader – University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI OBJECT Contemporary Craft Sale Vice President Ceramic Art Student Association (CASA) [UW-Milwaukee Ceramics Student Organization]

2012-2015
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Member OBJECT (UW-Milwaukee Jewelry/Metals Student Organization)

Member Ceramic Art Student Association (CASA) [UW-Milwaukee Ceramics Student Organization]

Donation Chair – University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI

Ceramic Bowls donation for Empty Bowls by the Hunger Task Force