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## Education

- 2023 Ohio University  
Master of Fine Arts in Ceramics, Visual Arts Management Certificate
- 2020 Indiana University Southeast  
Post Baccalaureate Certificate
- 2016 State University of New York College at Buffalo (Buffalo State College)  
Bachelor of Science in Ceramics

## Exhibitions

- 2024 Buffalo and Erie County Botanical Gardens, Buffalo, NY (upcoming)
- 2023 Strouds Run State Park Campgrounds, Athens, OH, *Cabin 23* (also 2022)  
Ohio University Art Gallery, Ohio University, Athens, OH, *Fruiting Bodies*
- 2022 Eviction Gallery, Athens, OH, *Eviction Notice*
- 2021 Ohio University Art Gallery, Ohio University, Athens, OH, *Interlude*  
Trisolini Gallery, Ohio University, Athens, OH, *Prelude*
- 2020 Spacelab, Indiana University Southeast, New Albany, IN, *Secret Hiding Place*
- 2019 Barr Gallery, Indiana University Southeast, New Albany, IN, *Annual Juried Fine Arts Student Exhibition*  
SpaceLab, Indiana University Southeast, New Albany, IN, *The Space In-between*  
Buffalo and Erie County Botanical Gardens, Buffalo, NY, *Extraterrestrial*  
Artpark, Lewiston, NY, *Terrestrial*  
Buffalo Arts Studio, Buffalo, NY, *Dream Land*
- 2018 Indigo Art, Buffalo, NY, *Home Again*  
Buffalo Arts Studio, Buffalo, NY, *Annual Resident Artists Show* (also 2017)  
Resource:Art, Medina, NY, *Play/Ground*  
Buffalo Arts Studio, Buffalo, NY, *Trimania*
- 2017 Burchfield Penney Art Center, Buffalo, NY, *Art in Craft Media*  
The Yards, Rochester, NY, *Women's Work*  
Main St. Gallery, Buffalo, NY, *Pop Up!*
- 2016 Czurles-Nelson Gallery, Buffalo State College, *Annual Visual Arts Student Sale* (also 2014-2015)  
1045 Elmwood Gallery for the Arts, Buffalo, NY, *Quirks of Evolution*  
Czurles-Nelson Gallery, Buffalo State College, *National Association of Schools of Art and Design*  
Dr. Margaret E. Bacon Gallery, Buffalo State College, *Jus Soli*  
Czurles-Nelson Gallery, Buffalo State College, *Annual Student Design Department Exhibition* (also 2014-2015)
- 2015 Artspace Gallery, Buffalo, NY, *Soul Relations*  
Fowler Kellogg Gallery, Chautauqua, NY, *Residency Show*  
Kenan Center Arena, Lockport, NY, *SUNY Buffalo State Design Student Exhibition*

## Experience

- 2024 Professor of Record for 3D Design Fundamentals, Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, IL  
Professor of Record for Drawing 2, Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, IL  
Instructor of Intermediate Wheel Throwing, Beginning Wheel Throwing and Studio Ceramics, Champaign Parks District, Champaign, IL (Also 2023)  
Professor of Record for Ceramics I and II, Heartland Community College, Normal, IL
- 2023 Professor of Record for Drawing 1, Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, IL  
Professor of Record for 2D Design Fundamentals, Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, IL  
Professor of Record for Foundations Function and Practice, Ohio University, Athens, OH  
Teaching Assistant for Tom Bartel for Function and Practice, Ohio University, Athens, OH  
Assistant to Gallery Director Hillary Gattian, Ohio University, Athens, OH
- 2022 Professor of Record for Beginning Wheel Throwing, Ohio University, Athens, OH  
Teaching Assistant for Brad Schwieger for Description and Drawing, Ohio University, Athens OH  
Teaching Assistant to Hayun Surl Beginning Wheel Throwing, Ohio University, Athens, OH
- 2021 Professor of Record for Introduction to Ceramics, Ohio University, Athens, OH  
Teaching Assistant to Tom Bartel for Hand Building, Ohio University, Athens, OH
- 2020 Assistant Studio Technician for Advanced Ceramics, Ohio University, Athens, OH
- 2019 Plates and Pasta, fundraiser, Buffalo Arts Studio, Buffalo, NY  
Tasks included: teaching local artists to use underglaze to decorate bisque fired plates, how to use decals on glazed plates, helping glaze and fire over 400 plates for studio fundraiser.
- 2018 Instructor of Beginning Ceramics, Buffalo Arts Studio, Buffalo, NY  
Assistant to Colleen Toledano, Buffalo, NY (also 2017)

## **Residencies**

- 2021 Ayatana Artists' Research Program, Ottawa, Canada (also 2019)
- 2019 Buffalo Arts Studio, Buffalo, NY (also 2017-2018)
- 2018 Red Gate Residency, Beijing, China
- 2016 Griffis Sculpture Park, East Otto, NY
- 2015 Chautauqua Institution, Chautauqua, NY

## **Awards**

- 2022 Ohio University Work/Study Scholarship at Arts West, Athens, OH
- 2021 Virtual Expo Award, Joint 1st Place in Creative Arts, Ohio University, Athens, OH
- 2019 Fine Arts Studio Award for Sculpture, Indiana University Southeast
- 2015 Chautauqua Institution Work/Study Scholarship, Chautauqua, NY
- 2014 Sylvia L. Rosen Award for Excellence in Ceramics, Buffalo State College

## **Academic Committees**

- 2023 Committee Member for graduate students, Eastern Illinois University  
Sales Representative, Ohio University Ceramics sale (also 2021-2022)
- 2020 Reviewer for Original Works Grant, Ohio University  
Member Dirt Bags Art Club, Indiana University Southeast (also 2019)
- 2016 Sales Representative, Visual Arts Student Sale, Buffalo State College  
President, Coalition for Ceramic Designers, Buffalo State College  
Vice President, Coalition for Ceramic Designers, Buffalo State College (also 2015)