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Exhibitions

- 2024 Buffalo and Erie County Botanical Gardens, Buffalo, NY, *Mutation Invasion* (invitational)
Buffalo Arts Studio, Buffalo, NY, *Live on Five*
Glenn Hild Gallery, Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, IL, Faculty Exhibition, *Halley's Comet*
- 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, *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, *Plates and Pasta*
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*
Red Gate Residency, Beijing, China, *Open Studios*
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, *Ceramics Exhibition*
- 2016 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*

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Experience

- 2023-2025 Adjunct Instructor, Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, IL
-2D Design Fundamentals
-3D Design Fundamentals
-Drawing I & II
- MA Committee Mentor/Member, Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, IL
-Mentored and served as part of a committee for 4 MA students in biweekly meetings for each student, offering technical support and conceptual ideation support to prepare for a graduate exhibition.
- Instructor for community classes, Springer Cultural Center, Champaign Parks District, Champaign, IL (6-week sessions)
-Beginning Wheel Throwing
-Intermediate Wheel Throwing
-Studio Ceramics
-Sculpture
-Studio management assistant: cleaning and maintaining wheels and hand-building equipment, reclaiming clay, loading/ firing kilns
- 2024 Adjunct Instructor, Heartland Community College, Normal, IL
-Ceramics I & II
- 2020-2023 Professor of Record, Ohio University, Athens, OH
-Foundations Function and Practice
-Beginning Wheel Throwing
-Introduction to Ceramics
- Graduate Teaching Assistant, Ohio University, Athens, OH
-Foundations Function and Practice
-Description and Drawing
-Beginning Wheel Throwing
-Hand-building
-Advanced Ceramics
- 2018-2019 Instructor for community classes, Buffalo Arts Studio, Buffalo, NY
-Beginning Ceramics
- Volunteer: Plates and Pasta Fundraiser, Buffalo Arts Studio, Buffalo, NY
-Teaching local community members to decorate commercial plates, how to apply decals, assisting glazing and firing over 400 plates.
- 2018 Studio Assistant to Colleen Toledano, Buffalo, NY (also 2017)

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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

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

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 Sales Representative, Ohio University Ceramics sale (also 2021-2022)
- 2020 Application Review Committee Member for Original Works Grant, Ohio University, Athens, OH
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)

Related Skills

Foundations of art & design, Adobe Photoshop and Illustrator, classroom/studio management, color theory, portfolio photography, exhibition preparation, grant writing, campus collaborations, time management and goal setting