

Zahra Dostmohammed

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I create vibrant and detailed ceramics vessels, paintings, and prints. I draw inspiration from traditional artforms like henna, Sindh textiles, calligraphy, and Mughal miniatures.

Skills

Adobe creative suite, Sketchup, Procreate app, Design development, Concept development, Microsoft Word and excel, Acrylic and Oil painting, Multimedia drawing, Ceramic Sculpture, Photography production, Problem solving, Organization, Leadership, Punctuality, Adaptability

Professional Experience

Brighton, In-Person — Sales Associate

October 2025 - Present

- ★ Helped customers navigate the store and purchase products
- ★ Created visual displays around the store to showcase accessories
- ★ Digital outreach

OAM Studios, In-person — Art Teacher

May 2025 - August 2025

- ★ Teaching children from ages 6-18 the basics of wheel throwing ceramic pottery
- ★ Organized and prepared the studio for classes

South Asia Institute, Chicago, IL — Exhibitions Intern

June 2024 - August 2024

- ★ Assisted in curatorial research and social media marketing
- ★ Designed a mock-up of the gallery on Sketchup and custom section labels for their exhibition, *The Written Image: A Confluence of Music and Calligraphy*

Green Star Movement, Chicago, IL — Artist Intern

June 2024 - August 2024

- ★ Made artistic decisions while tiling illustrative designs at elementary schools and public spaces
- ★ Assisted in managing volunteers (children and adults)

Education

The School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL — BFA

September 2021 - May 2025

- ★ I began with a focus in painting, but through experimentation I have become an interdisciplinary artist moving between painting, drawing, printmaking, and ceramics.

Awards

2025 - Received the \$500 Professional Development Award from the School of the Art Institute of Chicago for the funding of my exhibition, *Between Memory and Madness: Reclaiming Identity*

CV

Education

- 2021 BFA, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL, Merit Scholarship
Graduated 2025
- 2023 Istituto Lorenzo de Medici, Florence, Italy

Professional Experience

- 2024 Exhibitions Intern, South Asia Institute, Chicago, IL
- 2024 Artist Intern, Green Star Movement, Chicago, IL
- 2023 Event Assistant, Azurious, Dublin, CA
- 2022 Event Assistant, Volition Events, Dublin, CA
- 2020 Teaching Assistant, OAM Studios, Dublin, CA

Exhibition Record

- 2025 *Between Memory and Madness: Reclaiming Identity*, South Asia Institute, Chicago, IL
- 2025 *BFA Thesis Exhibition*, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL
- 2021 *Art Bash*, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL

Exhibition Design

- 2023 *The Written Image*, South Asia Institute, Chicago, IL

Curated Exhibitions

- 2025 *Between Memory and Madness: Reclaiming Identity*, South Asia Institute, Chicago, IL