

# AMANDA SMITHIVAS

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Lives and works between Chicago, IL and Milwaukee, WI, USA

## EDUCATION

2026 BFA, Milwaukee Institute of Art & Design, Milwaukee, WI

2025 New York Arts Program, New York, NY

## EXHIBITIONS

2026 *2026 Senior Exhibition*, Milwaukee Institute of Art & Design, Milwaukee, WI  
*Fine Art + New Studio Practice Senior Thesis Exhibition*, Charles Allis Art Museum, Milwaukee, WI

*Grilled Cheese Grant*, Vanguard Sculpture Services, Milwaukee, WI

*Out Of The Box: An Asian Creative Showcase*, Curator, e.s.r., Milwaukee, WI

*Art Forward*, MIAD Gallery 160, Milwaukee, WI

*Pictures of You*, Bridgeport Art Center, Chicago, IL

2025 *8th Midwest Open*, Woman Made Gallery, Chicago, IL

*And I Will Tell You Mine*, John Michael Kohler Arts Center, Sheboygan, WI

*Spring 2025 Student Art Exhibition*, NYAP Loft, New York, NY

*Between Roots and Routes: Letters From the Midwest*, Satélite, Milwaukee, WI

2024 *Child's Play*, Var Small Works, Milwaukee, WI

*21Minus*, Museum of Contemporary Art Chicago, Chicago, IL

*Sour Sap Fest*, Chicago, IL

*Sense of Place*, Gray Area at Hawthorn Contemporary, Milwaukee, WI

*Surplus Salon*, MIAD Gallery at the Ave, Milwaukee, WI

*Please Excuse My Dope Asian Swag*, Milwaukee Institute of Art & Design, Milwaukee, WI

2023 *Punks, Geeks and Lovers*, MIAD Gallery at the Ave, Milwaukee, WI

2022 *MIAD FYE Exhibition*, Milwaukee Institute of Art & Design, Milwaukee, WI

*SAIC CPS All-City Exhibition*, The School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL

## AWARDS AND HONORS

- 2026 MIAD Alumni Senior Thesis Award, Milwaukee, WI  
1st Place, Grilled Cheese Grant, Milwaukee, WI  
1st Place, Art Forward Juried Exhibition, Milwaukee, WI
- 2025 pool v 2025 Cohort, Milwaukee, WI  
New York Arts Program Studio Residency, New York, NY

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2026 *Stained Glass Workshop Instructor*, Charles Allis Art Museum, Milwaukee, WI  
*Sculpture Lab Tech*, Milwaukee Institute of Art and Design, Milwaukee, WI
- 2025 *Tamara Kostianovsky Artist Assistant*, Brooklyn, NY  
*GHOSTMACHINE Gallery Intern*, New York, NY
- 2024 *Event Management Intern*, East Town Association, Milwaukee, WI  
*Orlandini Studios Artist Assistant*, Milwaukee, WI  
*Evan Stoler Artist Assistant*, Milwaukee, WI
- 2023 *McMullan Family Foundation Summer Intensive*, Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL

## PUBLICATIONS & PRESS

- 2026 Juárez, Frank. "Eleven Years of Art and Cheese: The Grilled Cheese Grant Feeds Emerging Artists", ArtDose Magazine, Milwaukee, WI.
- 2025 *Triple<sup>3</sup> Magazine Issue 2*, Milwaukee, WI.  
*Junior Catalogue SP25*, Milwaukee, WI.