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#### **EDUCATION**

East Carolina University: School of Art and Design | Greenville, North Carolina, 2021-2025

Bachelors of Fine Arts. Major in Printmaking

Princeton High School | Princeton, North Carolina, 2017-2021

High School Diploma. Graduated with Honors while being in the National Beta Club

#### PROFESSIONAL WORK

East Carolina University: School of Art and Design | Greenville, North Carolina,

- Aug 2023-May 2025: Federal Work Study
  - o Position: Studio Assistant in Printmaking Department
- Aug 2024- May 2025: President of Printmaking Guild
  - O Budget trips, plan visiting artists, organize fundraisers, organize t-shirt printing events, put together guild exhibitions
- 2023-2024: Vice President of Printmaking Guild
  - o Help Budget expenses for semester, plan meetings and events

Arts Council of Wayne County | Goldsboro, North Carolina

• **2022- Present:** Member

North Drive Elementary | Goldsboro, North Carolina

- July-August 2024: Summer School Tutor
  - O Teach 1st graders in small groups to help prepare for 2nd grade

#### **AWARDS**

#### Self Portrait Exhibition- Ghost Fleet Gallery | Nags Head | NC | April 2025

• Honorable Mention by Juror for "Is this good enough for you?"

**URCA Research Grant-** Printmaking | East Carolina University | 2025

#### Outstanding Achievement Recognition - Printmaking | ECU | March 2025

• Awarded "It Flatters the Crotchal Region" print by Satan's Camaro Selected by faculty and peers in recognition of exceptional dedication to studio practice and significant contributions to fundraising efforts that supported guild members' travel to Puerto Rico.

CFAC Scholarship | School of Art and Deisgn, ECU | 2024

Undergrad Juried Exhibition- Gray Gallery | Greenville | NC | October 2024

- Third Place Award by Juror for "Endless Gallop"
- Friends of School of Art and Design Award by Juror for "I Spy"

The Taeylor Art Supply Award | School of Art and Design, Ecu | 2024

Art Scholarship | Princeton High School | 2021

#### JURIED EXHIBITIONS

Self Portrait Exhibition- Ghost Fleet Gallery | Nags Head | NC | April 2025 Undergrad Juried Exhibition- Gray Gallery | Greenville | NC | October 2024 Self Portrait Exhibition- Ghost Fleet Gallery | Nags Head | NC | April 2024 Undergrad Juried Exhibition- Gray Gallery | Greenville | NC | October 2023 Self Portrait Exhibition- Ghost Fleet Gallery | Nags Head | NC | April 2023 Juror: Adele Castillo

#### **SOLO EXHIBTIONS**

"WELCOME HOME" | Burroughs Welcome Gallery | Greenville, NC | April 16- 25<sup>th</sup> 2025

- Senior Thesis Showcase
- Exhibited a year-long thesis project consisting of a series of 12 original prints exploring various lithographic and etching techniques. The installation included a table and chairs, rug, empty frames, a custom-designed board game, lamp, and a banner—creating an immersive, home-like environment that reflects the themes central to my work.

#### **GROUP EXHIBITIONS**

Printscharming- Emerge Gallery | Greenville | NC | February 2025

An Exhibition of Contemporary Art | Goldsboro | NC | March 2024

Printscharming- Emerge Gallery | Greenville | NC | February 2024

Pieces of us- Messick Theater Arts Center | Greenville | NC | February 2023

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#### **Publications**

2024 Rebel Magazine: Pirate Media One, Greenville NC

#### **SPECIAL PROJECTS**

#### Print Kite Exhibition in the Sky

A collaborative project that brings together the creativity and vision of 40 talented artists from around the world. Together, we installed all of the kites in a dynamic outdoor environment, transforming the space into a vibrant and inspiring display of creativity and collaboration. We displayed the beautiful print kites 3 days at the SGCI conference in Puerto Rico.

| SGCI Conference | Old San Juan, Puerto Rico | April 3-5th 2025

#### Children's Mural

I painted an outside play area for a Special Needs Pre-K class | Medow Lane Elementary School | Goldsboro | NC | October 5-6, 2024

#### "Tri"

a block carved by Steve Prince; I printed an edition of 40 for him of the block titled "Tri" | East Carolina's School of Art and Designs Print Studio | Greenville | NC | September 2024 |

## "Umoja: Baldwin"

a block carved by Steve Prince; I printed an edition of 20 for him of the block titled "Umoja:Baldwin". | East Carolina's School of Art and Designs Print Studio | Greenville | NC | September 2024
I painted an outside play area for a Special Needs Pre-K class, October 5-6, Medow Lane Elementary School, Goldsboro, NC

## The Dancer Project

"Dancers in Motion" is a collaboration between students in dance and printmaking. This print is composed of 16 individual etching plates of 16 superimposed dance positions performed by George Okokoth and Shamick Otieno and printed in an edition of 16 created primarily by Grace Scott, Melanie Macias, Brook Connolly and Marshall Adams assisted by Lily Jarrell and Heather Muise, printed on BFA cream archival rag paper. An artist proof of this print hangs in the Dance Center Kenya in Nairobi where George and Shamick began their dance journey as scholarship students from an arts outreach program in the Kibera slums where they grew up. The print edition is intended to raise funds to support Dance Center Kenya students to pursue their education in Greenville.

| East Carolina's School of Art and Designs Print Studio | Greenville | NC | 2023-2024

## **COLLABORATIVE PRINTING**

- **2024 Steve Prince-** Helped print an edition of 40 large scale relief prints. The block itself was 2ft by
- 7ft | East Carolina University of Art and Design | Greenville | NC
- **2023 Art Werger-** Helped print an edition of 30 intaglio etchings | East Carolina University School of Art and Design | Greenville | NC
- **2023 Brian Richie-** Helped print an edition of 40 colored lithographs | East Carolina University School of Art and Design | Greenville | NC

## **EVENTS/ PRESENTATIONS**

Print Stars at Starlight- Starlight Cafe | Greenville | NC | February 2025

Steamroller Event- Muscarelle Museum of Art | Williamsburg | VA | February 2025

First Friday Art Walk- Emerge Gallery | Greenville | NC | December 2024

First Friday Art Walk- Holistico | Greenville | NC | October 2024

Halloweeni Jamboreeni- Greenville Museum of Art | Greenville | NC | October 2024

GMOA Steamroller Event- Greenville Museum of Art | Greenville | NC | April 2023

Book Arts Festival- North Carolina Museum of Art | Raleigh | NC | September 2023

Art Auction for Cancer- Messick Theater Arts Center | Greenville | NC | February 2023

## **WORKSHOPS**

- 2025 Zinc Plate Etching | taught a group of high school students | Greenville | NC
- 2023 Mezzotint workshop with artist Art Werger | Greenville | NC
- 2024 Paper Marbling workshop with artist Cidney Cher | Feb 9 | Greenville | NC

# **PRINT EXCHANGES**

2024 CCU/ECU Print Exchange, A collaborative exchange of prints between the print students at CCU and ECU. One copy of this master edition is currently in the archives at ECU.