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Education

- 2020 MFA in Craft at the Oregon College of Art and Craft (Facilitated by the Pacific Northwest College of Art after the school's closure). Portland, OR
- 2017 ACE Painting Course at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago. Chicago, IL
- 2015 BFA in Studio Art at the University of Central Oklahoma. Edmond, OK

Teaching Experience

- 2024 *Visiting Assistant Professor of Art.* University of Central Oklahoma. Edmond, OK

Spring 2024

Beginning Drawing 1

2-D Fundamentals

Foundation Seminar

Senior Exhibition

Fall 2024

2-D Fundamentals

Beginning Drawing 1

Drawing 3

Drawing 4

Studio Drawing

Practicum in

Drawing

- 2023 *Visiting Assistant Professor of Art.* University of Central Oklahoma. Edmond, OK

Fall 2023

Beginning Drawing 1

2-D Fundamentals

Foundation Seminar

Senior Exhibition

- 2021- *Adjunct Professor of Art.* University of Central Oklahoma. Edmond, OK

- 2023 Spring 2023

Beginning Drawing 1

Beginning Drawing 2: Figure and Anatomy

Fall 2022

Beginning Drawing 1 (Offered twice)

2-D Fundamentals

Spring 2022

Color

2-D Fundamentals

Beginning Drawing 1

Fall 2021

2-D Fundamentals

Beginning Drawing 1

- 2021- *Adjunct Professor of Art.* Rose State College. Midwest City, OK

2022 Spring 2022

Fundamentals of Art

Spring 2021

Fundamentals of Art

2020 *Art Instructor.* Webster Middle School. Oklahoma City, OK.

- 2018- *Graduate Teaching Assistant*. Oregon College of Art and Craft. Portland, OR.
 2020 *Intermediate Painting with Jason Berlin*
Advanced Painting with Michelle Ross
 2016- *School Programs Educator*. The Phillips Collection. Washington, DC.
 2017

Select Exhibitions

- 2024 Artwork Exhibited for Ripley Public School students. Ripley Public School, Ripley, OK.
 2023 Unlimited: PNCA Alumni Art Show, Portland, OR
 2023 Faculty and Staff Show. Melton Gallery. University of Central Oklahoma. Edmond, OK.
 2022 Faculty and Staff Show. Melton Gallery University of Central Oklahoma. Edmond, OK
 2020 Re | solve: Pacific Northwest College of Art MFA in Craft Thesis Exhibition at Upfor Gallery. Portland, OR
 2020 Inherited: Solo Show at Disjecta Contemporary Art Center. Portland, OR
 2019 Displaced: Group Exhibition. Centrum Gallery. Oregon College of Art and Craft. Portland, OR
 2018 Reimagine: Culminating Exhibition of a Summer Artist Residency—Indoor Mural Unveiling and Collaborative Project at Armitage Baptist Church. Chicago, IL
 2017 Conception Arts: Group Exhibition at Dovetail Brewery. Chicago, IL
 2016 James McLaughlin Memorial Staff Show at The Phillips Collection. Washington, DC
 2015 Woodlands at Wishbone Gallery. Edmond, OK
 2015 Senior Capstone Exhibition at Istvan Gallery. Oklahoma City, OK
 2015 Where Art Meets the River at the Chesapeake Boathouse. Oklahoma City. OK

Residencies

- 2018 Reimagine: Artist Residency in Collaboration with the Community. Artwork was created with local children and translated into installation art in the historical church building. Armitage Baptist Church, Chicago, IL

Presentations and Community Involvement

- 2025 OAEA Portfolio Days representing UCO, Oklahoma Contemporary, OKC, OK.
 2024 Presentation at USSEA National Conference: Trauma in the Classroom, How to Have Radical Empathy, Santa Fe, NM.

OAEA Portfolio Days representing UCO. Oklahoma Contemporary, OKC, OK.

Presentation and mentorship offered to high school students at Ripley Middle and High School promoting UCO and future art careers (facilitated through the school counselor). Ripley, OK.

- 2023 Mentorship offered to high school students at Wellston High School promoting UCO and future art careers (facilitated through the school counselor). Wellston, OK.

Collaboration with Edmond Fine Arts Institute for UCO students to write proposals for a group exhibition that was shown in the gallery. Edmond, OK

Oklahoma Art Education Association Workshop Presentation: Free Digital Apps to Enhance the Classroom. Edmond, Oklahoma.

Panelist in Blueprints for Art, discussing professionalism in the art field.
University of Central Oklahoma, Edmond, OK.

High School Days Workshop Presentation. One Point Perspective and the
Imagination. University of Central Oklahoma. Edmond, OK.

2022 Drawing Department Workshop Presenter and Organizer in Partnership with
Rachael Hendel. Gestural Drawing of the Figure and Organic Matter. University
of Central Oklahoma. Edmond, OK.

2018- Regular Guest Critic at the Oregon College of Art and Craft and the
2020 Pacific Northwest College of Art. Portland, OR
2019

Curator of Future Shout: A Final BFA Show at the Oregon College of Art
and Craft. Portland, OR

Etching Process Demonstration in Introduction to Printmaking. Oregon College
of Art and Craft. Portland, OR

2018 Student Mural Planning Committee Co-Chair at the Oregon College of Art and
Craft. Portland, OR

Reimagine Artist Residency at Armitage Baptist Church. Chicago, IL

2016 Artist Talk: James McLaughlin Memorial Staff Show at The Phillips Collection.
Washington DC

Bibliography

2025 Artwork featured and interview with Canvas Rebel, January 2025.

2024 Poetry Featured in Space on Space Magazine, Summer 2024 edition.

2024 Poetry Feature in Daughter Zine, January 2024 Issue.

2023 Artwork Feature in Novum Artist Magazine. December 2023 Issue. Juried, International

2023 Artwork Feature in Artist Closeup Magazine. December 2023 Issue. Juried, International

2023 Teaching Merits mentioned in Oklahoma Center for Community and Justice Conference
Presentation.

2022 Classroom Drawing Workshop Featured Digitally. College of Fine Arts Department.
University of Central Oklahoma. Edmond, OK.

2020 Artwork Feature in Oregon Arts Watch, a non-profit arts and culture journal. Portland,
OR

2019 Poetry Included in the Spring Edition of Julia.Jean, a literary publication from the Oregon
College of Art and Craft. Portland, OR

2018 Poetry Included in the Fall Edition of Julia.Jean, a literary publication from the Oregon
College of Art and Craft. Portland, OR

2015 Artwork Feature in ArtSpeak, a literary publication from the College of Fine Arts and
Design at the University of Central Oklahoma. Edmond, OK

2014 Artwork mention in Tulsa People: Art Now: Young Momentum Artists Find Inspiration in
Unlikely Places. Tulsa, OK

Awards, Grants, and Scholarships

- 2024 Nomination for the College of Fine Arts and Design Teaching Award
2023 Oklahoma Visual Art Coalition Project Basics Grant
2020 First Year Teacher Recognition of Excellence at the Oklahoma City Public School System
2018-2020 Committed to Excellence Scholarship at the Pacific Northwest College of Art and the Oregon College of Art and Craft

2018-2020 Graduate Assistantship at the Pacific Northwest College of Art
2019 MFA Student of Merit Award at the Oregon College of Art and Craft
2014-2015 Student Art Association Vice President at the University of Central Oklahoma

Academic Service and University Involvement

- 2023 *Department Website and Social Media Committee*, College of Fine Arts and Design, University of Central Oklahoma, Edmond, OK (college)
2023 *Library Liaison* for the Art Department, College of Fine Arts and Design, University of Central Oklahoma, Edmond, OK (college)
2023 *Partnership with Biology Department* to host a Halloween Drawing Party for the Art Department utilizing genuine bones and bone clones and create observational drawings of specimens. University of Central Oklahoma, Edmond, OK
2023 *Foundation Seminar Course Development* Transitioning from Analogue to Digital Techniques, fostering conceptual development, and community involvement. University of Central Oklahoma, Edmond, OK

Other Experience

- 2016 *Gallery Intern* at International Arts & Artists at Hillyer Art Space. Washington DC

Education Department Intern at The Phillips Collection. Washington DC

Visitor Information Specialist at The Renwick Gallery of the Smithsonian of American Art. Washington DC

2015-2016 *Museum Assistant* at The Phillips Collection. Washington DC