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EDUCATION: Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT) 2016, B.F.A Photographic Illustration, Minor: Museum Studies Honors Program and Magna Cum Laude

RELATED EXPERIENCE

- Present Lab Assistant, Latitude, Chicago, IL
-Customer service; photographic prep including printing, scanning, and film dusting; and daily facilities maintenance
- Present Sales Floor & Branding Team Member, Target Corporation, Chicago, IL
-Customer service; sales floor planning; and inventory research
- 2015-2016 Editor, Draft Thirteen, RIT, Rochester, NY
-One of four editors to produce an annual publication and exhibition of student photographic work from New York state
- 2014-2016 Teaching Assistant, RIT School of Photographic Arts & Sciences (SPAS), Rochester, NY
-For four professors, helped students learn equipment, software, printing, and darkroom skills; assisted with lesson plans, preparation, and critique; scanned and spotted film; maintained exhibition spaces throughout SPAS; and videography
- 2013-2016 Student Manager & Equipment Specialist, RIT SPAS, Photography Facility, Rochester, NY
-Trained student employees; daily facilities maintenance; and helped students and professors with equipment needs
- Summer 2015 Intern, George Eastman Museum, Department of Photographs, Rochester, NY
-Established organization system for physical exhibition files; and researched artists for upcoming exhibition
- Summer 2014 Intern, Richard Avedon Foundation, New York, NY
-Archived negatives and prints; updated database; and inventoried all the prints located in the Foundation
- Summer 2013 Photography Teaching Assistant, Interlochen Center for the Arts, Summer Camp, Interlochen, MI
-Helped students learn basic elements of photography, process film, and print in a darkroom
- Summer 2012 Intern, Norton Museum of Art, West Palm Beach, FL
-Worked with four interns to plan and curate a watercolor exhibition; worked with Curator of Photography to assess photographs in storage and preservation methods; gave group tours to elementary aged summer camp students

EXHIBITIONS & PUBLICATIONS

- 2017 College Collective Exhibition, Flower City Arts Center, Rochester, NY
ChROMatica Festival, collaborative artist, Museo Marco La Palenda, Rome, Italy
- 2016 Sacred & Profane, collaborative artist, Signature Contemporary Craft, Atlanta, GA
MysteryMeat Magazine Vol. 2, select photographs, Rochester, NY
RIT School of Photographic Arts & Sciences Honors Show, William Harris Gallery, Rochester, NY
Fictional States, Odile Truck Gallery, Rochester, NY
2nd Annual Global Learning Symposium, RIT, Rochester, NY
Signatures Art & Literary Magazine, select photographs, Rochester, NY
Solo photography exhibition: "Cuba and Italy" Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center, Belle Glade, FL
- 2015 GlobeMed's 4th Annual Art Gala: "Perspectives" Rochester Contemporary Art Center, Rochester, NY
The Big Picture: 25th Annual Members Exhibition, Rochester Contemporary Art Center, Rochester, NY
1st Annual Global Learning Symposium, RIT, Rochester, NY
- 2014 RIT School of Photographic Arts & Sciences Honors Show, William Harris Gallery, Rochester, NY
- 2013 Portraits 2013, C4FAP, Ft. Collins, CO
- 2012 Camera USA 2012, Naples, FL
Women in the Visual Arts Scholarship Exhibition, Boca Raton, FL
Pathfinder Nominee Exhibition, Norton Museum of Art, West Palm Beach, FL
Solo photography exhibition: "Real People" Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center, Belle Glade, FL
- 2011 PhotoNow, Tequesta, FL
Snapshot, Sydney, Australia
Solo photography exhibition: "POSTCARDS FROM PARADISE" Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center, Belle Glade FL
- 2010 Norton Museum of Art, "Made in Hollywood: Photographs from the John Kobal Foundation."; "Richard Avedon Fashion 1944-2000"; And "Glass"; Student companion exhibitions, West Palm Beach FL (2010, 2009)
59th Annual All Florida Juried Art Show, Boca Raton Museum of Art, Boca Raton FL
IC Volunteers, 2nd place, "Diverse Perspectives - Environment, Citizenship and Volunteering," Geneva, Switzerland
Solo photography exhibition: "Palm Beach: One County, Two Worlds" Traveled through Palm Beach County including: EG2 Gallery, Lighthouse Arts Center, Wellington High School, and Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center
Abso-BLOOMIN-lutely! Exhibit, Palm Beach International Airport

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AWARDS

- 2017 Best in Show, Photography - College Collective Exhibition, Flower City Arts Center, Rochester, NY
- 2016 Legacy Leader, Center for Women and Gender, Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, NY
- 2015 The Jack Renfro Scholarship for Photography, Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, NY
- 2014 The Carter Harmon Scholarship for Photography, Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, NY
- 2012 1st Place, Palm Beach & Martin Counties Pathfinder Scholarship - Art
YoungArts NFAA Merit Award in Photography
Regional Scholastic Art & Writing Awards: Gold - Photography Portfolio, American Visions Award -
Photography, Gold x 3 - Photography
Wellington Art Society Scholarship
Women in the Visual Arts Irving B. Kahn Scholarship
- 2011 National Scholastic Art & Writing Awards: Gold Medal - Photography
International Loupe Awards, Bronze Award in Medium/Large Format Photography, Melbourne, Australia

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- Present The Chicago Independent Radio Project (CHIRP) - Project volunteer
- 2012-2016 College of Imaging Arts & Sciences Honors Program, RIT – Council Representative, organize events, raise funds
- 2012-2016 WITR 89.7, RIT– Promotions Manager, DJ weekly shows, photograph events
- 2005-2017 ArtStart, Inc. – Board of Directors; assist teaching art education classes, help with fundraiser activities

SKILLS

- Microsoft Office: Word, Excel, Powerpoint
- Adobe Programs: Photoshop, InDesign, Lightroom, Illustrator, Acrobat
- Profoto and Broncolor Lighting Equipment
- Black & White film processing and darkroom printing
- Flatbed and Imacon scanning
- Book publishing
- Bookbinding
- Letterpress printing
- Social media: Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, Snapchat