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PROFILE

Mixed-media artist, teacher, facilitator, and organizer skilled in project management, fiber and ceramic art techniques, and creative software.

EDUCATION

2012 **Bachelor of Fine Arts Magna Cum Laude with Honors –
Sculpture and Extended Media, Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU)**
Gender, Sexuality, and Women's Studies Minor

AWARDS

2019 Penland School of Crafts Kenan Community Service Fellowship
2018 Penland School of Crafts Partial Work-Study Scholarship
2014 Durham Art Guild Artist-in-Residence
2010 Research Grant: Whole Truth Museum, VCU School of the Arts
2009 Penland School of Crafts Partial Work-Study Scholarship
2008-12 Four Year Presidential Scholarship, Virginia Commonwealth University
Four Year Visual Arts Portfolio Scholarship, VCU School of the Arts
2008 William R. Kenan Fellowship at Penland School of Crafts

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2020 *Swing Into Spring*, Suntrust Gallery, Durham Art Guild, Durham, NC
2020 *Art of a Scientist*, Power Plant Gallery, Duke University, Durham, NC
2019 *Community Show*, The Carrack Modern Art, Durham, NC
2015 *Winter Community Show*, The Carrack Modern Art, Durham, NC
2015 *Hey Neighbor*, SPECTRE Arts, Durham, NC
2015 *Necessary Work*, Ackland Museum Store, Chapel Hill, NC
2014 *Self Construct Button*, Room 100 Gallery, Golden Belt Arts, Durham, NC
2014 *Library of Possibility: Books by Triangle Artists*, Daylight Project Space, Hillsborough, NC
2013 *Placing the Placeless*, VCU Gender, Sexuality, and Women's Studies Department,
Richmond, VA
2012 *Whole Truth Museum*, Peer Pleasure Gallery, Richmond, VA
2011 *GSEX Spring Art Show*, VCU Gender, Sexuality, and Women's Studies Department,
Richmond, VA
2010 *GSEX Fall Art Show*, VCU Gender, Sexuality, and Women's Studies Department,
Richmond, VA
2009 *Triple Feature*, VCU Art Foundation Gallery - Richmond, VA

WORK EXPERIENCE

2019 **Kenan Community Service Fellowship**

- Attended 8 week ceramics concentration taught by Terry Gess.
- Received room, board, tuition, materials stipend and a community project stipend.
- Designed and taught Mindful Drawing workshops at Penland School of Craft, Mitchell High School, and Avery-Mitchell Correctional Institute.

2015-20 **Production Assistant** - MissFitt & Co, Durham NC

- Create, felt, sew, and block hats and accessories for a small business

2014-20 **Arts Instructor** - Carrboro ArtsCenter and the Durham Arts Council, Carrboro NC

- Teach six-week knitting, drawing, and creativity courses for adults

2015-17 **Arts Camp Instructor** - Carrboro ArtsCenter, Carrboro NC

- Each summer, taught ten weeklong summer camps on knitting, sewing, mixed-media and puppetry for grades K through 12.

2014 **Artist in Residence** - Durham Art Guild, Durham, NC

- Provided with studio space for 6 months as part of \$1000 residency
- Hosted monthly open studio and other events, such as quilting bee
- Showed work and gave artist talk

2013-14 **Studio Assistant** - Janet Cooling, Fine Artist, Durham, NC

- Designed and curated web site
- Coordinated application processes for art shows

2010-12 **Grant recipient**- Whole Truth Museum, Richmond, VA

- Renovated a local art space
- Curated and installed the work of 15 artists, coordinating the exhibition's logistics
- Photographed work and produced an exhibition catalogue

2011 **Studio Assistant** – LJ Roberts, Richmond, VA

- Throughout the course of a three-month internship, helped the artist assemble and install a large scale fabric sculpture in a Richmond, Virginia art gallery.

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

2017-18 **Board Member** – Weaver Community Housing Association, Carrboro NC

- Served on the board for an affordable housing non-profit.

2012 **Camp counselor** – Girls Rock RVA Day Camp, Richmond, VA

- Mentored four preteen girls as they learned to write songs, play music, and perform.

2012 **Participant** – Open Minds Project, Richmond, VA

- Participated in a semester-long collaborative creative writing course between Richmond City Jail (RCJ) and VCU, culminating in publications.

BIBLIOGRAPHY

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