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### **Education**

- 2017 Master of Arts, Eastern Illinois University
- 2013 Bachelor of Fine Arts, Illinois State University
- 2011 Associates in Arts and Science, Illinois Central College

### **Residencies**

- 2018 *RedLine Milwaukee*, Milwaukee, WI
- 2017 *VCUarts Summer Studio Program Sculpture + Extended Media*, Richmond, VA
- 2014 *Franconia Sculpture Park*, Shafer, MN

### **Solo Exhibitions**

- 2018 *Rides Again!*, Vital Signs MKE, Milwaukee, WI
- 2017 *Better Red than Dead*, FAB Gallery, Richmond, VA
- 2016 *Son of Cheechoo*, Jan Brandt Gallery, Normal, IL
- 2015 *QVC*, Jan Brandt Gallery, Normal, IL (Collaboration with Michael Goldberger)
- 2014 *FUN IN THE SUN*, Franconia Sculpture Park, Shafer, MN
- 2013 *Make Memories Together ->*, University Galleries, Normal, IL
- 2010 *Patience*, ICC Student Gallery, East Peoria, IL  
*Amateurism*, The Studio @ ICC, East Peoria, IL

### **Group Exhibitions**

- 2019 *Artist in Residence Exhibition*, Var Gallery, Milwaukee, WI  
*Spooken 4*, Jan Brandt Gallery, Normal, IL  
*The Monotonous Life of Roy G. Biv*, Crawford Collective, Milwaukee, WI  
*Modern Love*, Scout, Milwaukee, WI  
*Timeline*, Redline MKE, Milwaukee, WI  
*Love is in the Art*, Tonic, Milwaukee, WI  
*30x30x30*, Var Gallery, Milwaukee, WI
- 2018 *Pop Culture Jam*, Redline MKE, Milwaukee, WI  
*Bay View Gallery Night*, Brinn Labs, Milwaukee, WI
- 2017 *I don't mind when my dog runs away*, FAB Gallery, Richmond, VA  
*Graduate Exhibition*, Tarble Arts Center, Charleston, IL
- 2015 *Collective Remix*, Franklin Arts Center, Brainerd, MN  
*Alumni Spectacular*, University Galleries, Normal, IL  
*Axis and Allies*, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL  
*Lost and Found*, Franklin Arts Center, Brainerd, MN  
*Tiny Art Show*, Emerge, Greenville, NC  
*22, 410 Project*, Mankato, MN

- 2014 *Spookeh*, Jan Brandt Gallery, Normal, IL  
*Cats and Dogs*, Jan Brandt Gallery, Normal, IL
- 2013 *Illinois State University Student Annual*, University Galleries, Normal, IL  
*Cavalcade*, Transpace, Normal, IL
- 2012 *BA: Beyond Associates*, ICC Student Gallery, East Peoria, IL  
*Drag it Through the Garden*, Watterson Tower, Normal, IL  
*Hurricane Sandy Relief Show*, University Galleries, Normal, IL
- 2011 *ICC Painting Exhibition*, ICC Student Gallery, East Peoria, IL  
*ICC Student Exhibition*, ICC Student Gallery, East Peoria, IL
- 2010 *ICC Student Exhibition*, ICC Student Gallery, East Peoria, IL  
*ICC Figure Drawing Exhibition*, ICC Student Gallery, East Peoria, IL  
*Gary Viviano and Friends*, Pere Marquette, Peoria, IL
- 2009 *ICC Student Exhibition*, ICC Student Gallery, East Peoria, IL

## Experience

### **Betty Brinn Children's Museum**, Milwaukee, WI

*Exhibit Floor Coordinator*, November 2017 - Present

- Maintenance of museum floor exhibits: safety inspections, repairs, technical troubleshooting, exhibit installation and deinstallation
- Maintenance of museum facilities: painting, repairs, maintain and distribute office supplies
- Coordinating contractors, third party vendors, and other events in regards to the museum
- Fabrication: mounts, prop making, repairs, exhibition use, and other as needed
- Facilitating art and STEM based programming in the Be.A.Makerspace with families

### **Tarble Arts Center**, Charleston, IL

*Graduate Assistant Preparator*, September 2016-May 2017

- Work directly with artists and curators for exhibition layout and installation, including installation of large paintings, sculptures, site specific installations, projectors, various media players, sound, and other electrical/AV based works
- Construction of Heather Hart's five-tiered pentagonal deck, and Diana Al-Hadid's largest work *Smoke Screen*
- Unpacking and crating works for shipping
- Handling and preparation of artworks
- Fabricating exhibition pedestals, work specific mounts, signage, donation boxes, dollies, and travel crates
- Coordinated and scheduled ordering exhibition materials within a budget
- Supervising and assisting student workers during installations

### **Jan Brandt Gallery**, Bloomington, IL

*Gallery Manager*, 2014 - 2016

- Installation of works and preparation of gallery
- Compiled and edited retrospective book, *Jan Brandt Gallery 2010-2013*
- Designed advertisements
- Mentored, scheduled, and worked closely with interns

- Conducted gallery tours

**Franconia Sculpture Park**, Shafer, MN

*Intern*, Spring 2014

- Conducted research, preparation of art works, construction of art works, installation and deinstallation of sculptures
- Building and installing my own public sculptures for the park
- Maintenance of park grounds: gardening and lawn care, plumbing, painting, any task as needed
- Taught “Kids Make Sculpture” workshops, worked closely with children grades 2 through 12 conceptualizing and building their sculpture

**Illinois State University Center for the Visual Arts Wood Shop**, Normal, IL

*Woodshop Monitor*, 2013

- Assisted students with power tools and construction techniques
- Demonstrated tools, safety, and construction methods to classes and individuals
- Maintained safety regulations, inventory, and cleanliness of wood shop

**The Studio at ICC**, Peoria, IL

*Writing Consultant*, 2009-2011

- Consulted students one-on-one with academic, professional and personal writing
- Created and led writing workshops and events to groups of 5-15 students
- Conducted customized in-class lectures and presentations of Studio services to groups of 10-50 students
- Art curator of student work displayed in The Studio, organized semester show schedule, opening events, and artist talks
- Greeted clients, answered phone, scheduled appointments, provided excellent customer service and collaborative teamwork with employees

**Awards**

- 2016 Graduate Assistantship, Tarble Arts Center
- 2013 Best New Media, ISU Student Annual (Juror, Tony Tasset)  
Yale at Norfolk, Summer School of Art and Music (Nominated)
- 2011 Honorable Mention in Mixed Media, *ICC Student Exhibition*
- 2010 Best Painting in Show, *ICC Student Exhibition*