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EDUCATION:

California State University, Los Angeles 5/2024

- Masters of Fine Arts in Art

California State University, Long Beach 5/2020

- Bachelors of Arts in Studio Art

Citrus Community College 6/2017

- Associates Degree in Fine & Performing Arts
- Associates Degree for Transfer in Studio Art
- Associates Degree in Liberal Arts: Arts & Humanities

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Ceramics Instructor, California State University, Los Angeles 1/2023-12/2023

- Deliver an engaging curriculum for undergraduate-level courses in the Ceramic Arts Program that incorporates a variety of instructional modes including studio, seminar, lecture, and critique sessions.
- Coordinate activities for students in Ceramic Arts and provide guidance to facilitate their artistic and academic growth.
- Collaborate with faculty in ongoing program and curriculum development with a strong focus on diversity, equity, inclusion, and access concerns.
- Contribute to incorporating global awareness of diverse ceramic traditions, histories, and contemporary practices.
- Oversee the daily operations of the Ceramics Area, including kiln firing, scheduling, and facility management.
- Actively participate in student outreach and recruitment efforts, contributing to the growth of the CSULA Ceramics Arts Program.

Art Gallery Assistant, Ronald H. Silverman Fine Art Gallery 2/2022-4/2023

- Collaborated with curators and artists to design optimal gallery layout and artwork presentation.
- Facilitated the transportation, handling/packaging, and hanging of highly valuable artwork.

Art Instructor and Case Navigator, SPIRITT Family Services 2/2018-7/2020

- Delivered hands-on art instruction to children ages 7-14 years old and adults whose families received social services and support from this non-profit organization.
- Coordinated community art galleries and art exhibit events of children's artwork.

- Volunteer Art Teacher, Centro Cultural Oaxaca** 6/2017-2/2018
- Developed and delivered an arts curriculum for children ages 6-17 years old living in the Pico Union communities of Los Angeles in support of their mental health through arts integration and skills-building.
- Children’s Book Illustrator and Co-Owner, Skillful & Soulful Press** 3/2017-Present
- Established a successful publishing company specializing in bilingual children’s picture books.
 - Led and managed the illustration process, from concept development to final artwork.
 - Collaborated closely with authors, editors, and other stakeholders to understand project requirements, providing artistic expertise to enhance storytelling and visual appeal.
 - Rendered illustrations for three award-winning published books
- Art Instructor, Skillful & Soulful Painting** 1/2016-Present
- Guide parents from various school districts and non-profit organizations to create a personal art piece through a step-by-step process.
 - Facilitate workshops with veterans through the Veterans Affairs Office at Citrus College.
 - Facilitate team building arts workshops with teachers at various charter schools in L.A.
- Academic Tutor, El Monte Union High School District** 11/2016-6/2017
- Served as academic mentor and life coach for dropout prevention pilot program.
 - Supported 27 high school students in their world history, math, and language arts classes.
- Teacher Assistant – Citrus Community College Art Department** 8/2015-11/2016
- Supported faculty during painting and drawing courses.
 - Demonstrated art techniques to students using various art mediums.
- Owner – Photography by Rey** 1/1999-12/2009
- Managed a successful photography business
- Art Apprentice – Alliance for California Traditional Arts** 1/2005-12/2008
- Mentee of master Chicano artist, Gilbert “Magu” Lujan
- Participating Artist – Pomona Arts Colony** 1/2003-12/2003
- Collaborated in a large-scale community art project led by Judy Chicago
- Behavioral Aide – Baldwin Park Unified School District** 6/2001-7/2004
- Worked with special education and high need students
- SOLO EXHIBITIONS:**
- Slow and Low: All Eyes on Us*, Ronald H. Silverman Gallery, CSULA 4/2024
- Earthly Visions, Cosmic Reflections*, COMA Gallery, CSULA 2/2024
- Alien Nation*, COMA Gallery, CSULA 4/2023
- Movement*, LOFTON 2ND Art Gallery, Pomona 6/2016

GROUP EXHIBITIONS:

<i>Visual Revolution: Jaime Gutierrez Collection</i> , The dA Center for the Arts, Pomona	9/2023
<i>To be continued...</i> , Citrus College Visual Arts Gallery, Glendora	9/2023
<i>Reprinting Claremont</i> , Claremont Heritage Garner House Gallery, Claremont	3/2023
<i>Envisioning the Future</i> , A Collaborative Project with Judy Chicago, Pomona	1/2003

COMMISSIONS:

CSULA College of Health and Human Services - Mural	3/2023
Los Angeles County Office of Education - 2020 Census Chalk Art Campaign	8/2020

PRESENTATIONS AND SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS:

Featured Illustrator, Orange County Children's Book Festival	10/2023
Keynote Address, Moreno Valley College PUENTE Project Commencement	6/2023
Author Workshop, CSULA Ethnic Studies Summit	5/2023
Author and Illustrator Visit, Portland Public Schools - Rigler Elementary	3/2023
Featured Author Presentation, Los Angeles Public Library Libros Festival	9/2022
Conference Speaker, LEGACIE Male Success Initiative	11/2019
Artist Guest Speaker, Citrus College Alumni Association	5/2018
Featured Speaker, Rio Hondo College CHOICES Youth Conference	2/2018

GRANTS AND AWARDS:

Certificate of Commendation, granted by Supervisor Hilda, L. Solis	3/2024
Recipient of the Luis Bermudez Creativity and Inspiration Grant, CSULA	8/2023
Recipient of the Ronald H. Silverman Endowed Grant, CSULA	8/2022
Recipient of the CSULA Alumni Association Grant	8/2022
Best Educational Picture Book, International Latino Book Awards	10/2021
Best Cultural Diversity Book, Purple Dragonfly Awards	8/2021
Recipient of the Ford Motor Company Latinx Entrepreneur Grant	5/2021
Certificate of Recognition in Ceramics, granted by Rio Hondo College	3/2021
Certificate of Recognition, granted by Whittier City School District	3/2020
Best Children's Bilingual Book, International Latino Book Awards	9/2019
Certificate of Recognition, granted by Councilmember Gilbert Cedillo	12/2017
Certificate of Commendation, granted by Councilmember Gilbert Cedillo	8/2017
Certificate of Appreciation, granted by City of Los Angeles, First District	7/2017

REFERENCES:

- Professional and personal references available upon request