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Education

Temple University, Philadelphia, PA 2013 - 2016
M.A. Art History and Art Administration
G.P.A. 3.54

Temple University, Philadelphia, PA 2009 - 2013
B. A. Studio Art and B.A. Art History
G.P.A. 3.32

Art Education Experience

- Adjunct Professor at Maryland Institute College of Art (M.I.C.A.)
- Chair of the Fine Arts Department, The Gunston School, 2023-current.
- Middle School Art Teacher, St. Anne's School, 2022- 2023, Annapolis, Maryland
- Art Instructor, The Phelps School, 2021-2022, Malvern, Pennsylvania.
- Graduate Instructor, Temple University Study Abroad Program, Summer 2015, Rome, Italy
- Intern at National Gallery of Art, Grand Cayman Island, 2014 - 2015
- Art Education Outreach Program, Temple University, 2009 – 2013
- Substitute Teacher, Monmouth County, New Jersey, 2013-2015

Work Experience

The Renaissance Fine Arts and Merritt Gallery, Baltimore, MD

Assistant Director of Gallery Operations, Sept 2024 – Current

- Overseeing budgets, monitoring expenditures and receipts, and planning capital projects. Maintaining the gallery's physical surroundings, including the art storage conditions. Overseeing exhibition programming, purchasing, and labor needs. Increasing the number of visitors through marketing and building community relationships. Analyzing trends and benchmarks, and researching and reporting on financial and operational practices. Communicating new directives, policies, and procedures to managers and staff. Coordinating efforts among operations and the front desk team. Hosting gallery tours, Selling artwork, Fundraising, and Building a permanent collection of artworks. New artists and work acquisitions.

The Maryland College Institute of Art (MICA), Baltimore, MD

Adjunct Teacher, July 2024 – Current

- Deliver course content, lead class discussions, and create engaging assignments that demonstrate real-world applications. Assess and grade student work in a timely and professional manner. Maintain records of enrollment, attendance, assessments, and grades. Establish and maintain classroom control, and provide a learning environment. Attend meetings, ceremonies, and orientation sessions. Meet with the Department Chair to discuss course aspects. Collaborate with other professors to create coursework or support the department. Conduct research and stay current in the field.

The Gunston School, Centreville, MD

Fine Art Department Chair, Coach, July 2023 – July 2024

- Art Instructor grades 9 - 12 including Art Program Curriculum design and advisor to a group of 11 advisory students.
- Additional responsibilities included: Teaching a full course load consisting of AP Drawing, AP 2D, Studio Techniques, Painting and Drawing, Digital Photography, Advanced Art, Environmental Art, Digital Drawing and Design. Furthermore, I guided all department ordering and management and designed a five year growth plan for the art program. Chaperoning various on and off campus activities; school dances, concerts, art shows, alumni events, parent teacher events, and new student events. Served as coach of LifeTime Sports and Pickleball team. Faculty leader of the freshman class student government, stage set design and G.I.V.E. club operator.

St. Anne's Episcopal School of Annapolis, Annapolis, MD

Art Instructor, Girls Basketball Coach, August 2022 – 2023

- Art Instructor grades 5- 8 including Art Program Curriculum design and advisor to a group of ten 6th grade students.
- Additional responsibilities included: Overseeing and ensuring the safety of 109 middle school students during break, recess and lunch time multiple days a week; Chaperoning various on and off campus activities; school dances, concerts, art shows, alumni events, parent teacher events, and new student events. Served as coach of the Girls Basketball team. Co-teacher of the after school art auxiliary program. Teacher of additional Fine Arts Elective and STEAM Art Intensive classes.

The Phelps School, Malvern, PA

Art Instructor, Dorm Parent, Coach, August 2021 – June 2022

- Art Instructor grades 6-13 including Art Program Curriculum design, Art Department Head. University of Pittsburgh “College in Highschool” affiliate. Advisor to a group of five students.
- Additional responsibilities included: Overseeing and ensuring the safety of 30 dorm students twice a week and every third weekend; Chaperoning various on and off campus activities; Monitoring weight room and overseeing study hall two to three nights a week. Served as head coach of Cross Country and Varsity Basketball teams. Social media content curator, supervised yearbook creation, and created various other school promotional materials.

Temple University, Philadelphia, PA

Graduate Instructor, 2015-2016

- Taught Art History 1 and 2 to undergraduate students as a part of the university's core curriculum requirements.

The Risk Management Association (RMA), Philadelphia, PA

Executive Special Programs Coordinator, January 2018 – July 2021

- Overall management of departmental needs, scheduling and reporting, archiving of course case studies, management of course instructor contracts, course material printing and shipping, working with accounting department to create comprehensive revenue reports, NASBA credit licensing, product coding, online course coordination. Management of RMA's Collegiate Risk Management Program, including course materials, curriculum, marketing, and implementation coordination. Any general tasks needed by the Director and Associate Directors of the Professional Development Department. Administration and Management of the RMA's Credit Essential Certification Collegiate Program.

R2L, Philadelphia, PA

Office Manager/Receptionist, August 2018 – January 2019

- Organization, arrangement and management of office supplies, receptionist duties, booking and confirming of reservations, scheduling of host staff, obtaining of prepaid deposits and gift cards, emailing, and promotions. Any general tasks needed by General Manager, Event Manager and Owner.

Sailing Yacht Dolphin Splash, US Virgin Islands

Manager/Central Broker, 2017 - Fall 2018

- Day to day management of guests' activities on and off vessel, inventory ordering and maintenance, management of housekeeping, vessel's accounts management, scheduling and coordination of guest and vessel relations
- Management of vessel budget and coordinated all charter reservations and scheduling. Online booking, deposit and payment management, liaison between guests and clearing house and head of yacht marketing and promotions

Head Stewardess/Head Chef, 2016 - Fall 2018

- Managed housekeeping and beverage inventory, service and maintenance
- Food budgeting, provisioning, and preparation for all meals for seven day charters

Temple University Men's Basketball, Philadelphia, PA

Head Manager, 2009 - 2013

- Managed equipment, scheduling of undergraduate managers, secretarial duties (answering phone calls and emails with new recruits and general interests), ticketing, promotions, travel organization, and day to day team practice and game management

Beasley School of Law at Temple University, Philadelphia PA

Office Assistant/Student Examination Proctor, 2009 - 2011

- Data input, Application Filing, interdepartmental courier, over saw law examinations and assisted in grading process and management of quarterly mailings.