

NIA PARKS



WORK EXPERIENCE



Production Manager
King David Productions
March 2023 - Current

- Oversee and coordinate production process to ensure workflow meets required deadlines from pre to post production.
- Organize and schedule cast rehearsals, crew trainings, and team meetings for efficient internal and external communications.



Freelance Illustrator & Graphic Designer
Nia Celeste
March 2021 - Current

- Establish and maintain open communication with clients through project timelines and scheduled updates to ensure timely completion.
- Create a variety of illustration and design assets for various small and large businesses and publications including the Diamondback, Public Broadcast Service, and more.
- Collaborate with authors, external team members, and other illustrators to produce illustrations and graphic materials in accordance with client brand guidelines and/or desires.



Contractual Art Instructor
Moving History
June 2022 - Current

- Create dynamic lesson plans to address and support the students' understanding of African American history and visual art techniques.

MULTIDISCIPLINARY ARTIST & CREATIVE PROJECT MANAGEMENT

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RELEVANT SKILLS

- Project Management
- Adobe Creative Suite - Illustrator, Photoshop, Premiere Pro, InDesign

- Collaborate with fellow instructors to ensure a cohesive but well-rounded curriculum for summer programming.
- Foster and maintain a positive, high engagement environment amongst students in and out of the classroom.

Lead Teaching Assistant

Robert H. Smith School of Business

August 2019 - December 2021



- Supervise course schedule creation and implementation, organize course materials, and maintain open dialogue between director, professors, and students.
- Develop organizational flow of current and future teaching assistants to support long term ease of external and internal workflow and collaboration among professors, teaching assistants, and students.
- Delegate tasks and coordinate completion of projects for each course section by the intended deadline.

Youth in Business Mentor

Jubilee Arts

June 2018 - August 2018



- Instruct students on Adobe Photoshop and Illustrator basics in interactive workshops to equip students with technical skills to sustain their creative business as an independent contractor and vendor.
- Support facilitation of collaborative brainstorming and production of commissioned works and upcoming exhibitions.
- Maintain communication amongst fellow mentors, students, and community members.

EDUCATION HISTORY

Bachelor of Art in Studio Art

University of Maryland College Park

2021



- Innovation & Entrepreneurship Minor
- African American Studies Certificate
- Smith Minors Ambassador

VOLUNTEER WORK, AWARDS, AFFILIATIONS, AND INTERESTS

Independent Filmmaker Workshops

Baltimore Youth Film Arts

2021 - Current

What's Troubling Me: Creative Exploration through
Word and Image

Escaping the Labyrinth: Creating with Constraints

Poetic Documentary: The Rhythms of Baltimore

Dreamscoring: Poetry and Video Collage

Born in Baltimore Film Festival

Baltimore Youth Film Arts

2022

Exhibited independent short film 'From Baltimore to
You and They'

Her Ideas, Her Stories Exhibition

Chesapeake Arts Center

2022

Exhibited in all woman exhibition centered on
celebrating woman artists and sharing the stories
their work portrays.

MICA Grassroots DesignFest

MICA

2022

Volunteer for design fest to support branding and
promotional needs for non-profit organizations in
Baltimore.

'This Girl' Art Show

405 Art Gallery and Studios

2021

Coordinated and exhibited in an all-Black woman art
show and pop up shop.

Behind the Demands - Special Project

Diamondback

2021

Commissioned to illustrate for the Diamondback's
special spotlight on the 25 demands of University of
Maryland students' in response to the university's
lack of action toward racial tensions on campus.

2021 Sadat Art for Peace Award


Sadat Art for Peace

2021

Won first place for two-dimensional works for the
2021 theme - Black Lives Matter.

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