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EDUCATION

School of Social Welfare at the State University of New York, Albany, NY – Master's in Social Work

MACRO Concentration: Management, Advocacy, Community-building, Resource Development, and Outcome Evaluation

Barnard College of Columbia University, New York, NY – Bachelor of Arts

Double Major: Human Rights, Sociology Minor: Environmental Science

New York Academy for the Arts

Courses: Painting People of Color, Grisailles Self-Portraits, Secret to Painting Any Skin Tone

SELECT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

The Sunshine Collective

President & CEO

Baltimore, MD

06/2022 – Present

Operates a consulting company that helps organizations operationalize equity concepts and turn anti-racist intentions into bold, actionable, and measurable outcomes. Clients include the California Endowment, the Arizona Department of Health Services, NASTAD, the University at Albany, and the Virginia Department of Health.

SELECT PUBLIC WORKS

SNF Agora Institute at Johns Hopkins University

Visiting Fellows Program

Baltimore, MD, 2026

Created a participatory process to design a mural using a community survey and in-depth focus groups to identify themes, a color palette, and key imagery. Facilitated a community painting event where participants engaged in political dialogue while working on a collaborative mural to ground their bodies and relieve triggers.

Rooted in Collington Square Mural

Preston 2K Block Association, Maryland State Artists Council, Parks and People

Baltimore, MD, 2025

Commissioned to design and install a 935 sq. ft. for the Preston 5K Community Garden. Worked with neighborhood associations to conduct community sessions and focus groups to inform the design.

Artscape Urban Oasis Mural Project

Baltimore Office of Promotion and the Arts (BOPA), Mayor's Office of Arts, Culture, and Entertainment

Baltimore, MD, 2025

Commissioned to design and install a 480 sq. ft. biomorphic mural underneath the elevated portion of the Jones Falls Expressway, where the weekly Baltimore Farmers Market takes place.

Manifesting Civic Dreams: Baltimore, Reginald F. Lewis Museum

Graham Projects, Johns Hopkins University SNF Agora Institute

Baltimore, MD, 2024

Created an interactive floor map to engage participants in reflecting on their challenges and possibilities for Baltimore. Designed and pre-painted 15" tall, 3D pop-up pieces.

We Keep Us Safe, Curb Extension Mural

Washington, DC, 2023

Chalk Riot!, DC District Department of Transportation (DDOT), Kramer Middle School

Designed and installed four curb extension murals to increase pedestrian safety on the corner in Southeast DC. The design for the mural was informed by conversations with Kramer Middle School students about LGBTQIA+ safety.

National Coming Out Day Community Street Mural, DC Open Streets

Washington, DC, 2022

Chalk Riot! Open Streets DC, Mayor's Office of LGBTQ Affairs, DC District Department of Transportation

Designed and installed a collaborative 30' x 30' pavement mural for National Coming Out Day. The image was designed to easily guide participants in filling colors while offering space to add designs.

"3, 2, 1" Curb Extension Mural and Poem Project

Washington, DC, 2021

Chalk Riot!, DC District Department of Transportation (DDOT)

Designed and installed four pavement murals to increase pedestrian safety on a corner of Columbia Heights, DC. Collaborated with a local poet to create the characters in the painting theme.

SELECT EXHIBITIONS

2025 *Diaspora: From Many Lands, We Speak. Bogus Gallery. Baltimore, MD.*

An exhibition highlighting the work of Latin American artists across the diaspora, presenting a vibrant testament to the power, resilience, and creativity of our communities and a bold act of visibility and solidarity in an increasingly hostile political climate.

2025 *Art Unleashed! Creativity You Can Feel! Pearl Fincher Museum of Fine Arts. Houston, TX.*

Commissioned to create a series of work called Rosy Sunshine's Mindfulness Map. Participants learned mindfulness techniques for emotional regulation through interacting with the textured paintings and prompts.

2024 *Thoughts, Questions, and Sh*t to Say Annual Women's Show. Dupont Underground. Washington, DC.*

2023 *Grasping Tenderness: Explorations of Queer Joy & Freedom, In Spite of Everything. Hawthorne Contemporary Gallery. Milwaukee, WI.*

PUBLICATIONS

[International Journal for Equity in Health](#)

Perez, A., **Galvan, R.**, Morejon, M. (2022). Shifting the Narrative: Equity, Evidence, Effectiveness, and Innovation in the Era of Ending the HIV Epidemic

[Journal of Public Health Management and Practice](#)

Ndidiamaka, A.O., Gifuni-Koutsouris, J., Maame, A., Bryant, C., **Galvan, R.** (2023). An Evaluation of the Successes of the NASTAD Minority Leadership Program and Its Implications for Leadership in State Health Departments