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EDUCATION

- 2024 Bachelor of Fine Arts, Wonsook Kim School of Art, Illinois State University
(Normal, IL)
- Major: Studio Arts (Painting)
 - Minor: Art History
 - Summa Cum Laude
 - Cumulative GPA: 4.0/4.0
- 2023 Instituto Lorenzo de' Medici, Florence, Italy, Study Abroad Illinois State University (Normal, IL)

SKILLS

- Technical: Painting (oil, acrylic, water color), Drawing, Digital Photography
- Interpersonal: Collaboration, Adaptability, Attention to Detail, Customer Service

PROFESSIONAL ARTS ENGAGEMENT

- 2021-2025 Painting instructor/Artist, Merlot and a Masterpiece (Bloomington, IL)
- Cultivated a positive and engaging learning environment, empowering participants to explore their creative potential.
 - Instructed up to 30 participants on foundational painting techniques.
 - Managed all studio setup and cleanup, ensuring a well-prepared and organized environment for each class.
- 2023-2024 Member, Students' Independent League in the Ceramic Arts (SILICA), Illinois State University (Normal, IL)
- Collaborated with members to plan club events, fostering further learning opportunities for students.

- Assisted in planning, promoting, and facilitating a sale to fundraise for the organization.

2018-2020 Founding Member, Teen Arts Group, University Galleries (Normal, IL)

- Discussed professional opportunities for students studying art.
- Learned and practiced valuable curatorial skills contributing to the success of multiple public exhibitions.

CURATORIAL EXPERIENCE

2024 Perceptions of Reality, collaborative, Visiting Artist Seminar, Central Illinois Regional Airport (CIRA) (Normal, IL)

2024 Nothing to Hide, Student Art Gallery, Julian Hall, Illinois State University (Normal, IL)

2024 Visuals for your Rituals, collaborative, Art Career Practices, The Coffeehouse (Normal, IL)

2024 You're Invited: A BFA Birthday Bash, collaborative, BFA program, Central Illinois Regional Airport (CIRA) (Normal, IL)

2023 You're Invited: A BFA Birthday Bash, collaborative, BFA program, Student Art Gallery, Julian Hall, Illinois State University (Normal, IL)

2022 *Gather 'round, Giving Form to Folklore*, collaborative, BFA program, Student Art Gallery, Julian Hall, Illinois State University (Normal, IL)

2020 *Nazafarin Lotfi: Subtle Time*, collaborative, Teen Arts Group, University Galleries, (Normal, IL), (online exhibition)

2019 *15, 16, 17, 18: BHS Selects from the International Collection of Child Arts*, collaborative, Teen Arts Group, University Galleries (Normal, IL)

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2024 Nothing to Hide, Student Art Gallery, Julian Hall, Illinois State University
(Normal, IL)

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2024 Reflection, University Galleries (Normal, IL)

2024 Student Annual, University Galleries (Normal, IL)

Juror: Deb Sokolow

2024 97th Annual Amateur Art Exhibition, Brandt Gallery, McLean County Arts
Center (Bloomington, IL)

2024 Visuals for your Rituals, The Coffeehouse (Normal, IL)

2024 You're Invited: A BFA Birthday Bash, Central Illinois Regional Airport
(CIRA) (Normal, IL)

2023 You're Invited: A BFA Birthday Bash, Student Art Gallery, Julian Hall,
Illinois State University (Normal, IL)

2023 *Student Annual*, University Galleries (Normal, IL)

Juror: Erin Washington

2022 *Gather 'round, Giving Form to Folklore*, Student Art Gallery, Julian Hall,
Illinois State University (Normal, IL)

PUBLICATIONS & MEDIA COVERAGE

2024 "Perceptions of Reality"

<https://finearts.illinoisstate.edu/events-activities/airport-gallery/2023-2024/perceptions-of-reality/>

2024 "Reflection"

<https://galleries.illinoisstate.edu/exhibitions/2024/curated-by-teen-art-group-2024/>

- 2024 "2024 Student Annual"
<https://www.flickr.com/photos/52024644@N05/albums/72177720316287196/>
- 2024 "97th Annual Amateur Art Exhibition"
<https://mcac.wildapricot.org/Annual-McLean-County-Amateur-Art-Exhibition>
- 2024 "You're Invited! A BFA Birthday Bash"
<https://finearts.illinoisstate.edu/events-activities/airport-gallery/2023-2024/youre-invited-a-bfa-birthday-bash/>
- 2023 "You're Invited: A BFA Birthday Bash"
<https://finearts.illinoisstate.edu/events-activities/student-art-gallery/2023-2024/bfa-collaborative-birthday-bash/>
- 2023 "2023 Student Annual"
<https://www.flickr.com/photos/52024644@N05/albums/72177720306260353/>
- 2022 "BFA Collaborative Exhibition: "Gather 'Round: Giving Form to Folklore""
<https://finearts.illinoisstate.edu/events-activities/student-art-gallery/2022-2023/bfa-collaborative-exhibition/>
- 2020 "Nazafarin Lotfi: Subtle Time"
<https://galleries.illinoisstate.edu/exhibitions/2020/nazafarin-lotfi/>
- 2019 "Newly Minted Curators Spotlight Teen Art" interview on WGLT, June 2019
(<https://www.wglt.org/show/wglt-sound-ideas/2019-06-26/newly-minted-curators-spotlight-teen-art>)
- 2019 "15,16,17,18: BHS Selects from the International Collection of Child Art"
<https://galleries.illinoisstate.edu/exhibitions/2019/childrens-art-show/index-1.php#slide1>

AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

- 2024 Second place in painting in the college category, 97th Annual Amateur Art Exhibition, Brandt Gallery, McLean County Arts Center (Bloomington, IL)
- 2020-2024 Dean's List
- 2020-2024 Redbird Scholar Academic Scholarship, Illinois State University (Normal, IL)
- 2022-2023 Elizabeth Stein Art Scholarship, Wonsook Kim School of Art (Normal, IL)
- 2021-2022 Elizabeth Stein Art Scholarship, Wonsook Kim School of Art (Normal, IL)
- 2020-2022 Wonsook Kim School of Art Undergraduate Tuition Waiver, Wonsook Kim School of Art (Normal, IL)
- 2020-2021 Mclean County Scholarship, Illinois State University (Normal, IL)

COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP & SERVICE

- 2021-2023 Art committee and member, Alpha Delta Pi sorority, Zeta Theta Chapter, Illinois State University (Normal, IL)
- Collaborated with a committee to design and manage art-related projects for the organization.
- 2022 Notetaker, Student Access and Accommodation Services, Illinois State University (Normal, IL)
- Provided comprehensive and organized notes for fellow students, demonstrating reliability and commitment.
- 2016-2020 Teacher assistant, Glenn Elementary School (Normal, IL)
- Performed a variety of tasks in a timely and organized manner.