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Professional Artist with related work experience, as well as a portfolio of varied accomplishments. This includes, juried art festivals, exhibitions, and invited to serve on an arts committee. Possess a strong sense of artistry and passion that is consistently displayed across all art pieces — desires to work in the community and collaborate with other artists.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

SELF-EMPLOYED Gahanna, Ohio

Artist (Freelance) January 2018 – Present

- Design, develop, and deliver art pieces to clients according to specifications
- Create abstract and modern art to be displayed
- Produce natural photos for Getty/ iStock images
- Invited to serve on the 2018-2019 Columbus Arts Festival Subcommittee: Artist Market
- Recipient of the 2018/2019 Aminah Brenda Lynn Robinson Professional Development & Research and the Artist in the Community Grant.
- One of three Artist to participate in the 2018 Upper Arlington Labor Day Arts Festival Emerging Artist Program

ART FESTIVALS

Mah Leah Art Exhibit/France Fundraiser - 2018 New Life Church Gahanna, Ohio

Wo Co Summer Market- Zora's House 2018 Columbus, Ohio

Westerville Music and Arts Festival 2018, 2019, 2020 Westerville, Ohio

Upper Arlington Labor Day Arts Festival 2018 Upper Arlington, Ohio

Kovac, Marc. **“Upper Arlington, Labor Day Arts Festival, kicks off arts, culture, and pursuit of the master plan.”** **The Columbus Dispatch** September 4, 2018: Metro & State Section; Pages B1 & B5

Gahanna First Friday Arts in the Alley Emerging Artist 2018, 2019 Gahanna, Ohio

TheArtList.com, Artist of the Month

3rd Place August 2018

Short North Alliance- October 2018 Gallery Hop, Columbus, Ohio

Home and garden Show 2ND Annual Pop Up Art Fest 2019

Goldstein, Jami. **“Columbus Makes Art at Home and Garden Show.”** **The Columbus Dispatch** February 14, 2019: Dispatch Special Section; Page 17

1st Annual Westerville Art Hop 2019- Featured Artist Westerville, Ohio

Westerville 4th Fridays Market 2018 & 2019 Westerville, Ohio

400 Market at 400 West Rich 2019 Columbus, Ohio

Gahanna Second Saturdays Art Market 2019 Gahanna, Ohio

Avant Garde Art & Craft Show 2019 Hilliard, Ohio

Art Studio Clearance Sale 2020 Designer Craftsman, Columbus, Ohio

Dollar Bank Three Rivers Arts Festival 2020 **Emerging Artist** The Pittsburgh Cultural Trust, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Susa, Maggie. “Artists hope you will look — and buy — at the virtual Three Rivers Art Festival: Pittsburgh Post-Gazette June 10, 2020

Group Exhibitions

Hit the Hop Juried Exhibition September 2018, **Studios on High Gallery**, Columbus, Ohio

- Hit the Hop Fall Juried Show *Second Place Winner*

Zora’s House 2018, Columbus, Ohio

RED Juried Exhibition February 2019, **3060 Artworks Gallery**, Columbus, Ohio

Expressions of Recovery 2019, **934 Gallery**, Columbus Ohio

An Artful Affair 2019 **Arts Council of Westerville**, Westerville, Ohio

A Nature Exhibition September 2019, **Westerville Arts League**, Westerville, Ohio

Art of Recovery November 2019, 2020 **Fresh A.I.R Gallery** (Columbus Museum of Art) Columbus, Ohio

One Night Crazy Hat November 2019, **Ohio Art League**, Columbus, Ohio

Artful Holiday Gifts December 2019, **Marcia Evans Gallery**, Short North Columbus, Ohio

Creative Resilience November 2020, **All People Gallery**, Columbus, Ohio

Art Exhibition December 2020, **Westerville BMV, Arts Council of Westerville & Community Artists of Westerville**, Westerville, Ohio

Creative Resilience 2020, **All People’s Art**, Columbus, Ohio.

Black Artist from Columbus 2021, **Emergent Art+ Craft**, Short North Columbus, Ohio

The Lantern, Columbus, Ohio. **Lasley, Holly**. “Emergent Art& Craft to Feature Local Black Artist During Black History Month”. **February 8, 2021**

Alive. **Columbus, Ohio. Oliphint, Joel**. “Recently opened Emergent displays work from local Black artists in the Short North”. **February 3, 2021**

Ekphrastic Fantastic 2021, **Cultural Arts Center**, Columbus, Ohio

Share the Love of Art February 2021. **Hilliard Arts Council**, Hilliard, Ohio

Solo Exhibition:

Sensation & Sentiment January 2020, **Cardinal Pizza**, Westerville, Ohio

Sentiments March 2020, **Stauf’s Coffee**, Grandview, Ohio

Wade in the Water August 2020, **The Momentum Gallery**, GAAC Gahanna, Ohio

Featured Artist June 2020, **Bottoms Up Coffee**, Columbus Ohio

Workshops:

Teacher

“The Power of the Arts” March 2019 “- Westerville Arts Council, Westerville, Ohio

Associations

Westerville Art League 2019 & 2020

Arts Council of Westerville 2018

Ohio Designer Craftsman 2019 & 2020

Columbus Arts Festival 2018 & 2019

Public Collections

Westerville Public Library

Westerville, Ohio

- Art Prints 2019

Paintings are also held in numerous private and professional art collections throughout, the United States.

Ohio Health Riverside Hospital

Columbus, Ohio

- Acrylic Paintings 2019

Education

Bachelor of Arts

Hofstra University

Hempstead, NY