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EDUCATION

University of California, Los Angeles, B.A. Design | Media Arts, 2017

AWARDS + RESIDENCIES

Regents Fellowship, UC Santa Cruz, 2019

SVA Summer Residency | Sculpture, Installation, and New Media, NYC, 2016

Exemplary Achievement in D|MA, Curatorial Team, Annual D|MA Undergraduate Exhibition, 2016

Dean's Scholarship, UCLA School of the Arts and Architecture, Design | Media Arts, 2014-2015

SELECTED EXHIBITIONS + EVENTS

Lovely Pool, Public Pool Gallery, Los Angeles, CA, 2019

Sexual Activities, Open Plan Collective, Los Angeles, CA, 2019

Other Places Art Fair, Battery Leary-Merriam at Angels Gate Cultural Center, San Pedro, CA

FREEZE, Public Pool Gallery, Los Angeles, CA, 2019

Honey Mustard + Diesel Fuel V.1.0, Los Angeles, CA, 2018

Cairotronica, Opera House Palace of Arts, Cairo, Egypt, 2018

Unsolicited Airdrop, New Wight Gallery, Broad Art Center, Los Angeles, CA, 2017

Boots on the Ground, ntrl.space, Van Nuys, CA, 2017

Machinic Unconscious, New Wight Gallery, Broad Art Center, Los Angeles, CA, 2017

Drool, New Wight Gallery, Broad Art Center, Los Angeles, CA, 2016

Masketica, Rooftop Exhibition in Tsuen Wan, NT, Hong Kong, 2015

65ETICA Presents: Low Key x Ny Odus, UCLA Co-op, Los Angeles, CA, 2015

Half and Half, New Wight Gallery, Broad Art Center, Los Angeles, CA, 2015

Busted Spring, Concrete Ocean Art Gallery, Art Dimensions, St. Louis, MO, 2013

Infest, 2720, St. Louis, MO, 2013

Square Foot Show, Art Dimensions, St. Louis, MO, 2012

Sincerely, Mr. Unbound, Subterranean Books, St. Louis, MO, 2012

LECTURES, WORKSHOPS, & TEACHING

■ Artist Talk, American University Cairo, Egypt, May 2018

■ Creative Technology Teacher, Digital Dragon - 2016 - 2018

Classroom instruction/private lessons, camps, k-12 creative coding, circuits, Minecraft, photo, video

■ STEAM Education Assistant, Genesis Lab at MAF, 2018

■ Upward Bound Robotics Course Instructor, Cal State Dominguez Hills, 2019

■ Upward Bound Tutor, El Monte School District, Pasadena City College, 2018-2019

PRESS + PUBLISHED

Review, *In SoCal, Artists Foster Roving, Alternative Spaces in Face of Change*, Hyperallergic, web, 2019

Video Still, *FREEZE*, Curate.LA, web, 2019

Photography, *Danny Dwyer's "Swingset" Is a Gorgeous, Nostalgic Alt-Pop Song*, Complex (Pigeons & Planes), web, 2018

Collaboration, *Feminist fashion collection finds alternate meanings in everyday objects*, Daily Bruin, web, 2016

Collaboration, *HEARTBEATS #6: 65ETICA*, Beating Lights, web, 2015

Photography, September/October issues, *Alive Magazine*, St. Louis, MO, print, 2014

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- **Visitor Services Associate, Marciano Art Foundation, 2018-2019**
Educating visitors on foundation artworks, exhibitions, and history / facilitating quality visitor experience
- **Production Intern, Kaari Upson Studio, 2018**
Fabrication and production of artworks and installations
- **PR + Digital Media Manager, UCLA Art Sci Center + Lab, 2017-2018**
Online media management, outreach, web + graphic design, exhibition design + production
- **International Intern, Star Dragon Films, Zhuhai, China - March 2016**
Branding, logo design and aesthetic direction
- **Studio Assistant, Brad Howe (sculptor), Farrah Karapetian (photographer) - 2015**
Fabrication, 3D models, scale models, 3D renders, prepping for print
- **Graphic Designer & Marketing Contributor, Nuwati Herbals - Spring 2015**
Warehouse work, graphic design, marketing/strategy
- **Photography Intern, Alive Magazine, St. Louis, MO - Summer 2014**
Event and editorial photography, photo assistant
- **Fringe d' Fringe Artist and Collaborator: St Lou Fringe Festival - 2013**
Production of Fringe Family, marketing/strategy/social media "Follow the Fringe"

ORGANIZATIONS

- **Phi Beta Kappa, inducted 2017**
- **Collective Member, UCLA Art | Sci Center + Lab, 2017**
- **CoFounder | Executive Director of 65ETICA, LLC - 2014 to 2017**
65ETICA is a creative conglomerate that produces content, events, and apparel

LANGUAGES

English: native

Italian: command of written + spoken language