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Mid-South Sculpture Alliance (MSA) member

EDUCATION

2020 MFA in Studio Art, University of Arizona, Tucson

2015 BFA in 2D Studio Art; Minor in Art History, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

SOLO EXHIBITIONS + PUBLIC INSTALLATIONS

2023 *Beachcomber's Dream*, Zipper Craft and Arts Festival in collaboration with stop-gap projects, Columbia, MO

2022 *Triple Point*, Practice Gallery, Philadelphia, PA

2021 *Super Position*, stop-gap projects, Columbia, MO

2021 *Habitable Zone*, Joseph Gross Gallery, Tucson, AZ

2020 *Strange Houses*, Cochise College Fine Arts, Sierra Vista, AZ

2019 *The Backdrop*, University of Arizona School of Art Graduate and Alumni Gallery, Tucson

2018 *Chroma Complex*, Lionel Rombach Gallery, The University of Arizona, Tucson

2016 *HOME*, Fluorescent Gallery, Knoxville, TN

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2024 (forthcoming) Lightwell Gallery, MSA 2023 Juried Exhibition winners exhibition with Emily Potts and April Knuaber

2023 *Of the Land*, Lightwell Gallery MSA Juried Exhibition in conjunction with 2023 Confab, University of Oklahoma, Norman, OK
DIFFERENT NAMES (for the same thing), The Martin, Chicago, IL

2022 *2022 Faculty Exhibition*, University of Missouri Bingham Gallery, Columbia, MO

Object Lounge, Collarworks, Troy, NY

[Panal \(virtual exhibition\)](#), Alfa Gallery, Miami, FL

2021 *AbstracTENN*, Channel to Channel Gallery, Chattanooga, TN

[V Group Show \(virtual exhibition\)](#), Alfa Gallery, Miami, FL

2020 [Virtual Faculty Exhibition 2020](#), Cochise Community College, Sierra Vista, AZ

[Found Family \(virtual exhibition\)](#), Queerly Collective Online Gallery

Memory and the Chromatroposphere, Mood Room Gallery, Phoenix, AZ

Super Ultra and the Soft Between, SYZGY Collab installation with Katie Hubbel and Danni O' Brien in

SPRING/BREAK Art Show, New York, NY

2019 *Alptrraum (Nightmare)*, Torrance Art Museum, Torrance, CA

The Post-Summer Show, Fine Art Complex 1101, Phoenix, AZ

A New Unity: The Life and Afterlife of the Bauhaus, The University of Arizona Museum of Art, Tucson

Waiting Room, Playground Arts, Phoenix, AZ

From Here to Eternity: Selections from the University of Arizona School of Art, Museum of Contemporary Art (MoCA), Tucson

2018 *On and Off the Wall*, Steinfeld Warehouse Community Arts Center, Tucson, AZ

Can't Take You Anywhere, Inaugural National Juried Exhibition, Resident Arts, Columbia, MO

Cones and Rods, Whitdel Arts, Detroit, MI

Before Hours, The Loft Cinema, Tucson, AZ

PUBLICATIONS

- 2023 [Inaugural Zipperfest brings art, community, and connection to Columbia](#), article in Columbia Missourian by Aryana Hadjimohammadi; photos by Kate Cassady
Psychic Jacuzzi, week-long artist instagram takeover, Curator: Matthew Wilkes
- 2021 [The Show Goes On](#), Interview with Arizona Illustrated, Producer: Andrew Brown
[Interview with DE: FORMAL Online Gallery](#)
Gray Areas, Documentary Interview as a part of [What's Up Docs?](#) at The Loft Cinema, Tucson, AZ, Director: Skyler Cardella
- 2020 [SYZYG Collab Interview with Pollinate Arts. New York as a part of the Fall Spotlight Series](#)
[Art Interrupted](#), Interview with Arizona Illustrated, Producer: Andrew Brown
[Artist-in-Residence Interview with Wassaic Project](#)
[SYZYG Collab Interview with Wassaic Project at SPRING/BREAK Art Show](#)

AWARDS

- 2023 *Of the Land*, University of Oklahoma Lightwell Gallery, MSA Juried Exhibition Second Place winner; award of three-person exhibition at the Lightwell Gallery. Juror: Anna Tsouhlarakis
- 2019 Penland School of Craft Higher Education Partners Program Scholarship
Ox-Bow School of Art and Artists' Residency Portfolio Merit Scholarship
Wassaic Project Artist Residency Education Fellowship

RESIDENCIES AND WORKSHOPS

- 2019 Wassaic Project Artist Residency, Wassaic, NY
Ox-Bow School of Art and Artists' Residency: one-week metal fabrication workshop
Penland School of Craft: two-week furniture fabrication workshop

CURATORIAL PROJECTS

- 2023 Co-Curator, *Space is the Place*, curated open-call group exhibition, stop-gap projects, Columbia, MO
Curator, *Here's the Thing...*, group exhibition featuring work by Bella Varela, Leah Netsky, Kenni Dankert, Marta Lee, Anna Brody, and Perla Segovia, stop-gap projects, Columbia, MO
- 2020 Co-Curator, *Super Ultra and the Soft Between* with Danni O'Brien and Katie Hubbell, *SPRING/BREAK Art Show*

TALKS AND LECTURES

- 2023 University of Oklahoma, Sculpture class talk and material demo, Norman, OK
- 2019 *A New Unity: The Life and Afterlife of the Bauhaus*, The University of Arizona Museum of Art, Tucson
- 2020 University of Arizona College of Fine Arts Small Grants Ceremony, CCP Auditorium, Tucson

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2022-current Co-Director, stop-gap projects, Columbia, MO
- 2021-current Visiting Assistant Professor of Art | Sculpture Area Head, University of Missouri School of Visual Studies
- 2021-2022 3D & Woodshop Technician, University of Missouri School of Visual Studies
- 2020-2021 Associate Faculty in Fine Art, 2D and 3D Design, Cochise Community College, Sierra Vista, AZ