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EDUCATION & CERTIFICATIONS

Master of Fine Arts Photography // Academy of Art University // San Francisco, CA	2016
Bachelor of Fine Arts Photography // Illinois Institute of Art // Chicago, IL	2011
Associates in Science Commercial Photography // Art Institute of Fort Lauderdale // Fort Lauderdale, FL	2004
Adobe Associate Certification // Photoshop CC	2017

AWARDS

2017	Juror's Choice Award- Carolyn Russo // Academy Center of the Arts// Lynchburg, VA
2017	Educator Silver Medal // Scholastic Art & Writing National Awards //New York, NY
2017	Juror's Choice Established Artist- Bruce Helander // XxX Exhibition Cultural Council // Palm Beach County, FL
2017	Second Best in Show // Continuum WPB Arts "Joe" Award // www.Talentjoe.com
2015	Third Place in Show – Judge Paul Fisher // Art in Public Places // Palm Beach County, FL

CURATORIAL WORK

2018	Continuum WPB 2018 Pop Up Gallery Public Art - Young Masters Lead Curator // West Palm Beach, FL
2017	Summer of Architecture 2017 Collaborative, Norton Museum of Art Co-Curator // West Palm Beach, FL
2017	Picture Profession, Marjorie Fisher Gallery, Coordinator & Guest Curator // West Palm Beach, FL
2016	Continuum WPB 2017-Pop Up Gallery Public Art - Guest Curator for Young Masters // West Palm Beach, FL
2016	A.W Dreyfoos School of the Arts Senior Art Show, Curator, Armory Art Center // West Palm Beach, FL
2015	A.W Dreyfoos School of the Arts Senior Art Show, Curator, Armory Art Center // West Palm Beach, FL
2015	Everglades Summer Collaborative 2015, Norton Museum of Art Co-Curator // West Palm Beach, FL
2013	SPS Club Student Show Illinois Institute of Art-Chicago, Guest Curator // Chicago, IL

EXHIBITIONS

2018	Anniversary Invitational, Florida Museum of Photographic Art // Tampa, FL
2018	33 rd Annual Spiritual & Religious Show, Springville Museum of Art // Springville, UT
2018	DAC Anniversary, Downtown Artist Collective Gallery // Salt Lake City, UT
2018	Play with Your Food, Cultural Council of Palm Beach County // West Palm Beach, FL
2018	Educators & Artists, Cultural Council of Palm Beach County // West Palm Beach, FL
2018	94 th Annual Spring Salon, Springville Museum of Art // Springville, UT
2017	me.exhibition, The Box Art Gallery // West Palm Beach, FL
2017	National Juried Photography Art Exhibition, Academy Center of the Arts // Lynchburg, VA
2017	Untamed, Art Serve Galley// Fort Lauderdale, FL
2017	Art Synergy, Art Boca Raton // Boca Raton, FL
2017	XxX, Cultural Council of Palm Beach County Gallery // West Palm Beach, FL
2017	Continuum WPB 2017-Pop Up Gallery // West Palm Beach, FL
2016	Doll Parts, Resource Depot GalleRE // West Palm Beach, FL
2016	Photography Invitational, Art Gallery at Eissey Campus // Palm Beach Gardens, FL
2016	Speak their Names, Flamingo Clay Gallery // Lake Worth, FL
2016	What's Your Elephant? 1310 Gallery // Fort Lauderdale, FL
2016	Spring Show 2016, Academy of Art University Gallery // San Francisco, CA
2016	Art Synergy, Art Boca Raton // Boca Raton, FL

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- 2016 Collaborations and Mix Mediums, Marjorie S. Fisher Gallery // West Palm Beach, FL
- 2016 artBRAVO! Art Serve Gallery // Fort Lauderdale, FL
- 2015 Art Is... 1310 Gallery // Fort Lauderdale, FL
- 2015 Gray Mockingbird Community, Lead Artist for Community Mural Design // Lake Worth, FL
- 2015 2015 All Media Biennial, Art and Culture Center // Hollywood, FL
- 2015 Art at the Airport- Art in Public Places, Palm Beach County // Palm Beach, FL
- 2015 Inside-Out Art as Healing Therapy, Art Serve Gallery // Fort Lauderdale, FL
- 2015 Art = Antidote to Hate, Art Serve Gallery // Fort Lauderdale, FL
- 2015 Icon 5th Annual Women Art Show, Pride Center // Wilton Manors, FL
- 2015 artBRAVO! Art Serve Gallery // Fort Lauderdale, FL
- 2014 Spring Show, Water Street Studios // Batavia, IL
- 2013 Exposed, Side Street Studios // Elgin, IL
- 2013 Copy.right?, 33 Contemporary // Chicago, IL
- 2012 Halloween Dreams, Studio 659 // Whiting, IN
- 2012 OIPA, Mural Painting Artist // Chicago, IL
- 2011 Untitled, Lillstreet Art Gallery // Chicago, IL
- 2011 Intimacy & Voyeurism, 4 Art Inc. // Chicago, IL
- 2011 Imagine, 4 Art Inc. // Chicago, IL

EXPERIENCE

- PHOTOGRAPHY INSTRUCTOR** University of Utah, UT 08/2018 – Present
 - Instructor for the Lifelong Department
 - Curriculum development for post secondary education
 - Courses include; Digital Photography I, Commercial & Location Photography and Alternative Processes
- PROGRAMS MANAGER & TEACHING ARTIST** Bad Dog Arts Studio, UT 03/2018 – Present
 - Curriculum development for bilingual painting, drawing, sculpture, photography and mix media art classes for in/after school programming in the Salt Lake City area
 - Community outreach
 - Adult art workshops in studio
 - Develop and maintain community partnerships with non- profit organizations throughout Salt Lake City
- PHOTOGRAPHER & GRAPHIC DESIGNER** Self Employed 06/2004 – Present
 - Lead photographer for national commercial & advertising agencies to identify, conceptualize and produce photographic prints, brochures and layouts for distribution in digital and print medium
 - Photographer for corporate industries including weddings, quinces, bar/bat mitzvahs, food & beverage, fashion, portraits and headshots, product, catalogues, corporate branding and book publications
 - Studio Management, schedule sessions, administer quality control, payroll and customer service
 - Design layout for wedding/corporate books and fashion catalogs
 - Post-production work includes retouching, archiving, restoration, filing and cataloging digital work
 - Grant writing
 - Marketing and sales

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INSTRUCTOR/ARTIST IN RESIDENCE – PHOTOGRAPHY Alexander W. Dreyfoos School of the Arts, FL 06/2015 – 11/2017

- Photography instructor for 9th–12th grade student courses in traditional and digital photography, digital imaging, darkroom techniques, experimental photography, studio and post-production practices
- Develop syllabi and curriculum for courses, including lectures on traditional and digital photography, digital imaging, Photoshop practices and professional photographic development.
- Conduct portfolio reviews and assist students with gallery exhibitions outside of school environment
- Curatorial work for end of year art exhibitions; Senior Art Show, Spring and Fall Shows
- Prepare students for end-of-year Adobe Associate certification exam
- Coordinate and maintain up- to-date photography inventory

TEACHING ARTIST Norton Museum of Art, FL 11/2014 – 11/2017

- Develop and facilitate bilingual painting, drawing, sculpture, photography and mix media art classes for underserved communities
- Order supplies, maintain budget, attend quarterly meetings, data entry, implement post / pre-evaluations, track progress in each art session designed for the sites
- Curatorial work for exhibitions throughout the year
- Maintain and develop relationships involving public art projects in the community

- Collaborate with community centers to teach courses and workshops developed to reflect the social, political, economic and cultural affairs of that specific community.

Client list includes

Highridge Family Center	Therapeutic art workshops for at-risk youth teens
Farm Worker Council	Bilingual introduction to art courses for young students
Compass LGBTQ Center	Creative workshops for teenagers exploring sexual identity
Family Studio Norton Museum	Family workshops themed on current museum exhibitions
Art After Dark Norton Museum	One day evening workshops

PUBLICATIONS

- Schmidt, Albert, and John P. Laloganes. *The Beverage Manager's Guide to Wines, Beers and Spirits*. 4th ed. Boston: Pearson, 2017. Print.
- Valys, Phillip. "In Wilton Manors, World-Changing Women." *Sun-Sentinel* [Broward County] 22 Mar. 2015: 2. Print.
- Stankey, Sarah. "Favorite Photographs of 2012." *Fine Art Photography Daily*. LENS CRATCH, 1 Jan. 2013. Web.
- Schmidt, Albert, and John P. Laloganes. *The Beverage Manager's Guide to Wines, Beers and Spirits*. 3rd ed. Boston: Pearson, 2011. Print.
- Labute, Neil. "Bash." *Chicago Theater Beat*. N.p., 12 Oct. 2010. Web.

LANGUAGES

- English, fluent speaking and writing.
- Spanish, fluent speaking and writing.