

# Curriculum Vitae

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## **Visual Artist Summary**

*Collaborative educator and visual artist with many years of outstanding interpersonal and communication skills, highly trained in many artistic mediums. Experience inside 3rd-12 grade classrooms in the Chicagoland area. I want to utilize my skills and creativity as an artist to promote growth and development in a challenging, rewarding and positive teaching environment and teach the next generation of artists.*

*2019 & 2017 winner of the Individual Artist Grant award from DCASE (Department of Cultural Arts Special Events), Chicago, IL.*

## **Education**

### **2003-2005**

BA Columbia College, Interactive Multimedia, Chicago, IL.

*At Columbia's Interactive Art and Media Department, I worked closely with instructors to write interactive screenplays, create code and programs, produce multimedia video documentaries, animation studies (2D and stop-motion), as well as developing interactive websites.*

### **1996-2003 (part-time)**

University of Illinois at Chicago, Art History, Chicago, IL.

*At the University of Illinois at Chicago, I worked closely with professors and instructors, fulfilling courses in Liberal Arts and Science.*

### **1992-1993**

American Academy of Arts, Fine Art/Graphic Design, Chicago, IL.

*At the American Academy of Art, I painted, created and executed drawings from still life, live models and other objects, based on outstanding instructions. My instructors taught me the fundamentals and basic principles in painting, designing, color theory, art history and fine art skills.*

## Articles/Interviews/Published Work

2020 *Logan Square/LGNSQ*, featured art, book by Khloe U. Karova.  
2019 *Block Club Chicago*, Interview, art feature.  
2018 *ABC News*. Interview, art feature.  
2017 *Northwest Side Newspaper*. Mural feature.  
2016 *ACS Magazine*, art feature.  
2015 Chicago Gallery News feature.  
2014 *Wilmette-Tribune*, interview, feature.  
2014 Columbia College Chronicle podcast interview.  
2014 *Daily-Herald*, interview, art feature.  
2014 *RedEye*, interview, art feature.  
2013 *Echo Magazine*, interview, Chicago, IL.  
2013 *AP*, online interview.  
2013 *cnn.com/iReport*, online news feature.  
2013 *cnn.com/iReport*, online news feature  
2012 *Outside Art*, review on mural project, *Chicago Sun-Times*.  
2012 *cnn.com/iReport*, online news feature/skype interview.  
2012 *windycitylive.com*, online news feature.  
2011 *Tools of Criminal Mischief*, featured art, book by Roger Gastman.  
2011 *History of American Graffiti*, featured art, book by Roger Gastman.  
2011 *Complex Aztec* show review, *Chicago Reader* newspaper.  
2011 *gozomos.com* online news/interview.  
2009 *cnn.com/iReport*, online news feature.  
2009 *Csquared*, feature and interview, online newsletter.  
2008 *Low Rider Arte*, feature art, *LowRider Arte Magazine*.  
2008 *Publisher and Editor* Trade Magazine, profile, Chicago, IL.  
2008 *Chicago Weekly News*, interview, Chicago, IL.  
2008 Extra Extra, profile, *Chicago Sun-Times*.  
2007 *Extra Bilingual Newspaper Street Art*, feature and interview.  
2006 *La Raza Newspaper, Arte O Disastre*, interview, Chicago, IL.  
2005 *Extra Bilingual Newspaper*, Hispanic Heritage art contest winner.  
1994 *Bomb the Suburbs*, featured art, book by William “UpSki” Wimsatt.

## Video/Television/Film

2022 *CAN Television*. Interview feature.  
2021 *CAN Television*. Interview feature.  
2020 *CAN Television*. Interview feature.  
2018 *ABC News*. Interview feature.  
2014 *Horses of Honor*, local media coverage, unveiling, Chicago, IL.  
2013 “*Tsel One*”, interview/feature, Columbia College, Chicago, IL.  
2012 *Kitchen Crashers*, guest appearance, (HGTV, December airing), Chicago, IL.  
2011 *RAW Artists*, online interview, Dana Hotel, Chicago, IL.

2011 *Fox News*, Heart-a-blum, Heart, featured art. Chicago, IL.  
2008 *WGN Live*, Sox/Cubs mural, interview, Chicago, IL.  
2008 *LatiNation*, TV Show, interview.  
2007 “*Heaven*”, Chicago graffiti movie, interview, Chicago, IL.  
2004 *Exposure*, interview, Columbia College, TV Dept., Chicago, IL.

***I have written, directed and produced two mini-documentaries for a class at Columbia College called “Video for Interactive Multimedia”.***

2004 "Graffiti Lords" Mini-Documentary on street art, Columbia College, Chicago, IL.  
2004 "MARIO's" Mini-Documentary on Palestinian barber's, Columbia College, Chicago, IL.

## **Exhibition/Group Shows/Public Art**

### **2023**

*Manifest Arts Festival*, Columbia College.

### **2022**

RedCan Graffiti Jam/CRYP (Cheyenne River Youth Project), Eagle Butte, SD, featured artist.

### **2021**

RedCan Graffiti Jam/CRYP (Cheyenne River Youth Project), Eagle Butte, SD, featured artist.

### **2020**

Illinois Special Olympics/Duck Derby, Public Art Installation, featured artist.

### **2019**

DCASE Grant winner, public art mural in Logan Square.

### **2018**

Chicago Police Memorial Foundation/K9 Public Art Installation, featured artist.  
Chicago Lighthouse/Public Art Installation, featured artist.

### **2017**

Hispanic Heritage Month Artist. West-Belmont Library Branch, featured artist.  
DCASE Grant winner, public art mural at Beard Elementary School.

### **2016**

Poesia en Abril, hosted by Contra Tiempo Orgzationation, featured artist.  
*The Art of Cannabis*. Group show. The Lost Artist Colony.  
*Art of Futbol*. Group show.

### **2015**

*Manifest Arts Festival*, Columbia College.  
Caesarstone Corporate event, live painting on raw granite.

## **Lectures/Teachings/Instructing**

2023 Muchin College Prep, Chicago, IL. Instruct art class, discussion.  
2023 University City Schools, St. Louis, Missouri. Instruct art class, discussion.  
2022 CRYP (Cheyenne River Youth Project), Eagle Butte, SD. Instruct art class, discussion.  
2021 CRYP (Cheyenne River Youth Project), Eagle Butte, SD. Instruct art class, discussion.  
2022 Muchin College Prep, Chicago, IL. Instruct art class, discussion.  
2019 Marquez Elementary School, Chicago, IL. Art Lecture.  
2019 Muchin College Prep, Chicago, IL. Instruct art class, discussion.  
2018 Muchin College Prep, Chicago, IL. Instruct art class, discussion.  
2017 Bottle & Bottega, Park Ridge, IL. Instruct art classes in the studio. Set-up.  
2017 InterAmerican Magnet School. Discussion and canvas art project. Native art.  
2017 Beard Elementary School. Lead artist participation for mural.  
2016 Hairpin Arts Center, Chicago, IL. Discussion on street art.  
2015 Saint Francis Xavier, Wilmette, IL. Discussion and mural project.  
2014 New Trier High School, Wilmette, IL. Discussion and mural project.  
2014 MMC, McHenry Community College. Discussion on street art.  
2013 SiLO Art Center, Chicago, IL. Teaching urban art.  
2012 Highland Park HS, Highland Park, IL. Discussion and mural project on urban areas.  
2012 Introduction on Graffiti/Urban Art. SiLO Art Center, Chicago, IL. Teaching urban art.  
2012 Elgin High School, Elgin, IL. Discussion and mural project on urban art.  
2012 Roosevelt HS, Chicago, IL. Discussion and teaching urban art. After School program.  
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2011 Milwaukee Avenue Art Fest. Discussion on Aztec and graffiti art.  
2009 MMC, McHenry Community College. Discussion on Aztec art.  
2008 Foreman High School, Chicago, IL. Discussion on graffiti as art.  
2003 Holy Cross High School, Chicago, IL. Taught art fundamentals and color theory.

## **Skills and Competencies**

Proficient in enamel paints, chalk, acrylic, pastel, charcoal, ink, pencil, paint and oil markers.  
Knowledge of Android, Microsoft and Apple platforms.  
Office programs and graphic software.  
Able to conceptualize a design from start to finish.  
Developing custom screen printing on apparel.  
Capable of working with students in grades 3rd-12th and college level.

### *Other:*

Teamwork  
Understanding client anticipation.  
Conduct outstanding customer services.  
Work well in large or small multicultural groups.

## **Work Experience**

### **LINE SERVICE TECHNICIAN| SIGNATURE FLIGHT SUPPORT |11/2022-PRESENT**

- Work as part of a team delivering safe and efficient aircraft services while providing a welcoming atmosphere to customers and other guests.
- Collaborate, cooperate and work closely with all coworkers, customers, clients, vendors, and aircraft crew members to ensure customer service needs are met. This includes ensuring efficient and accurate communication through various methods to accomplish operational tasks.
- Service aircraft as requested by management or customers, such as fueling, de-icing, lavatory, ground power and potable water services, parking, marshaling, delivering catering and towing
- Operate and drive ground service equipment such as fuel trucks, de-icing trucks, ground power units, tugs, and stair trucks, shuttles.
- Offer, promote, sell and deliver general aviation services to crewmembers, customers and other guests.
- Maintain safe, clean and secure ramps and operations.
- Drive a shuttle vehicle with passengers and/or luggage and cargo
- Load and unload luggage and other baggage.

### **DOORMAN| FAIRMONT CHICAGO HOTEL | 4/2019-PRESENT**

- Provided high quality and luxury customer services to all our visiting guests and executives and VIP's.
- Proper luggage storage. Assist luggage retrieval for all incoming and departing guests, to the front desk and to all rooms.
- Promote the hotel, as well as the area and all the local eateries, bars, shopping and entertainment locations.

### **ASSISTANT MANAGER | THE LOCKUP SELF STORAGE | 7/2018-4/2019**

- Driving sales to achieve goals.
- Provide remarkable customer service.
- Managing multi-unit locations and executing company strategies.
- Addressing customer needs and concerns promptly in a professional manner.
- Troubleshooting functionality of a large facility.
- Maintaining records, invoices and files.

### **GUEST SERVICES | HYATT ROSEMONT | 3/2011-6/2018**

- Provide safe rides to and from O'Hare International Airport to our guests and visiting clients, on a fixed and well maintained schedule.
- Our guests are provided accurate transportation in our 12 passenger Ford shuttle bus.
- Extend my highest hospitality commitment to my guests and employer.
- Insuring great quality customer services.