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EDUCATION

- 2018 M.F.A. Sculpture candidate, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN (expected May 2018)
2014 B.F.A. magna cum laude, Sculpture, University of North Florida, Jacksonville, FL

SELECT EXHIBITIONS

- 2017 *2017 SECAC Juried Exhibition*, Columbus College of Art and Design, Columbus, OH, Juror: Tyler Cann
21st Annual Sculpture Exhibition, Franconia Sculpture Park, Shafer, MN
Women at Work, invitational iron pour performance with Lisa Evans, Sloss Furnaces, Birmingham, AL
2017 Student Curated Exhibition, Space One Eleven, Birmingham, AL
condition: fresh, Gallery 101, Athens, GA
Staying Alive., Ewing Gallery of Art & Architecture, Knoxville, TN, Jurors: Mike Calway-Fagen, Rob Tarbell
Orange/5, Unix Gallery, New York City, NY
- 2016 *No Beer Here*, Gallery 1010, Knoxville, TN
2016 SECAC Juried Exhibition, Eleanor D. Wilson Museum, Roanoke, VA, Juror: Jenine Culligan
XOXO: Love Letters from a Home, two-person exhibition, Gallery 1010, Knoxville, TN
The Art of Recycling, Knoxville Convention Center, Knoxville, TN
Work by Students Exclusively, Ewing Gallery of Art & Architecture, Knoxville, TN, Jurors: Pete Schulte, Amy Pleasant
Orange/4, The Fridge, Washington D.C.
- 2015 *27lbs of Indirect Evidence*, The Standard, Knoxville, TN
MSA Indoors: The Student Edition, Eyedrum, Mid-South Sculpture Conference 2015, Atlanta, GA, Juror: Brent Oglesbee
Hi., University of Tennessee Downtown Gallery, Knoxville, TN
- 2014 *Visual Love Letters*, solo exhibition, Museum of Contemporary Art, Jacksonville, FL
Through the Fire 2014, CoRK Arts District East Gallery, Jacksonville, FL, Juror: Courtenay McLeland
Sculpture Trails Cast Iron Exhibition, Sculpture Trails Outdoor Museum, Solsberry, IN
UNF Art + Design Student Juried Annual Exhibition, University of North Florida Gallery of Art, Jacksonville, FL, Juror: Michael T. Schmidt
- 2013 *UNF Sculpture Guild Exhibition*, Severine Photography Studio, Jacksonville, FL
Kissimmee Sculpture Experience 2013-2014, Kissimmee, FL
Re-Connect, University of North Florida Fine Arts Center Lobby, Jacksonville, FL
Sculpture Trails Cast Iron Exhibition, Sculpture Trails Outdoor Museum, Solsberry, IN
- 2012 *Installations!*, Everbank Building First Floor Gallery, Jacksonville, FL
Under No Form, CoRK Arts District East Gallery, Jacksonville, FL
- 2011 *UNF Art + Design Student Juried Annual Exhibition*, University of North Florida Gallery of Art, Jacksonville, FL, Juror: Carrie Anne Baade

HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2017 Charles and Ann Pfitzer Residency/Internship Award
- 2016 Juror's Discretionary Award in Sculpture, Work by Students Exclusively, Ewing Gallery of Art & Architecture, Knoxville, TN
- 2015 Shipley Swann Fellowship, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN
Chancellor's Fellowship, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN
- 2014 Sculpture on Campus Grant, University of North Florida, Jacksonville, FL
Honorable Mention Award, UNF Art + Design Student Juried Annual Exhibition, UNF Gallery of Art, Jacksonville, FL
- 2013 Hottest Metal Award, Student Built Cupola Contest, Sloss Furnaces, Birmingham, AL (member of pour crew)
- 2012-2013 University of North Florida Dean's List
- 2010-2014 Florida Bright Futures Scholarship

RELATED EXPERIENCE

- 2017 Artist in Residence, Hot Metal Artist Residency Program, Franconia Sculpture Park, Shafer, MN
Artist lecture, Franconia Sculpture Park, Shafer, MN
Treasurer, UTK Sculpture Club
9x15 MFA Lecture Series, artist lecture, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN
- 2016-2017 Graduate Teaching Associate (Instructor of Record), University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN
Fall 2016: Foundations 101 (Introductory 2D & 3D Art); Spring 2017: Foundations 103 (Introductory 2D & 3D Art); Fall 2017: Foundations 101 (Introductory 2D & 3D Art)
Director of Outreach, UTK Sculpture Club
- 2015-2017 Metal Shop Monitor, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN
- 2015-2016 Graduate Teaching Assistant, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN
Fall 2015: Metal Fabrication; Spring 2016: Digital Fabrication
- 2014 Artist in Residence, Museum of Contemporary Art, Jacksonville, FL
Work Study Artist, Sculpture Trails Outdoor Museum, Supervisor: Gerard Massey, Solsberry, IN
Curator, *Gradation*, Petra Management Property, Jacksonville, FL
Administrative Assistant, The Looking Lab: Art in Empty Storefronts, Supervisor: Joy Leverette, Downtown Jacksonville, FL
(scheduled social media management, website content management, volunteer coordination)
- 2013-2014 President, University of North Florida Sculpture Guild
- 2013 Work Study Artist, Sculpture Trails Outdoor Museum, Supervisor: Gerard Massey, Solsberry, IN
(iron blast furnace operation, pattern/mold making, public sculpture installation, landscape architecture, workshop demonstrations, guided tours)
Pour Crew Member, Student Built Cupola Contest, National Conference on Cast Iron Art & Practices, Sloss Furnaces, Birmingham, AL
Installations! Event, Northeast Florida Sculptors, Museum of Contemporary Art, Jacksonville, FL
- 2011-2014 Sculpture Technician, University of North Florida, Jacksonville, FL
(operational and safety: metal shop, wood shop, foundry)

PUBLICATIONS

- 2014 "Visual Love Letters": UNF graduate expresses her love for the artistic process in MOCA exhibit, Tiziana Onstead, UNFSpinnaker.com, (December 16, 2014),
<http://unfspinnaker.com/visual-love-letters-unf-graduate-expresses-her-love-for-the-artistic-process-in-moca-exhibit/>
- New abstract sculpture installed at UNF, Camille Shaw, UNFSpinnaker.com, (September 22, 2014)
<http://unfspinnaker.com/new-abstract-sculpture-installed-at-unf/>
- First Coast High grad sculpts her art career at MOCA, Denise Reagan, NJM Staff Report, North Jax Monthly, (Vol. 10, Issue 11, pg. 1, 13)
- Art on Campus, University of North Florida Journal, (Winter 2014, pg. 23)
- 2012 Installing 'Installations!' Exhibit, The Florida Times Union, (May 17, 2012): B1
- Installations! Catalog, Northeast Florida Sculptors, Everbank Building First Floor Gallery, Jacksonville, FL

COLLECTIONS

- 2016 Gerdau Ameristeel, public collection, Knoxville TN
- 2014 University of North Florida, public collection, Jacksonville, FL

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- 2016-2017 Southeastern College Art Conference
- 2015-2017 UTK Sculpture Club
- 2015 Mid-South Sculpture Alliance
- 2014 Museum of Contemporary Art, Jacksonville, FL
- 2013 University of North Florida Printmakers Guild
- 2012-2014 Northeast Florida Sculptors Group
- 2011-2014 University of North Florida Sculpture Guild
- 2010-2014 University of North Florida Honors & Scholars Program