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Curriculum vitae

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EDUCATION

San Diego State University May 2024
MFA Photography & Multimedia
Thesis: Keeper of the Walls

University of Houston May 2021
BFA Photography & Digital Media
Thesis: Antebellum Grotesque

University of Houston – Downtown
BBA Management Information Systems

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Faculty Fellow of Photography, Whitman College 2024-present
Course: Beginning Digital Photography
Fine Art Digital Printing. Images are gathered using cameras and scanners. Aspects of Lightroom and Photoshop are used to produce fine art digital prints. Assignments and classroom critiques consider various issues in photography, such as composition, point of view, documentation, and the relationship of the participant and viewer. In addition, students participate in a group show of their work.

Instructor, San Diego State University 2022-2024
Course: Digital Photography I
As an instructor, I designed a course exploring the art of visual communication and expression through digital photography and imaging techniques. This course empowers students to harness the power of digital tools to compose and convey their unique perspectives, emotions, and stories.

Teaching Assistant, San Diego State University 2021

Course: World Art in Contemporary Life

In my role as a teaching assistant I actively engaged in class discussions, provided insightful feedback on assignments, and offered comprehensive support to both the professor and students, fostering a dynamic and enriching learning environment centered on contemporary art.

Teaching Assistant, San Diego State University 2021

Course: Introduction to Art History II

As an art history teaching assistant, I guide students on an immersive journey through the artistic landscape from the Renaissance to the present, cultivating critical analysis and deepening their appreciation for the visual arts.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Managing Partner/Consultant, North Consulting Solutions, LLC 2006-2021

A Managing Partner with expertise in performance improvement, project management, technology, marketing, and entrepreneurship. Skilled in building strategies that deliver results and motivating teams to achieve their full potential. A proven track record in training, coaching, and implementing change, combined with hands-on business experience.

Shareholder & Board Member, North Home Healthcare, LLC 2005-2020

Approved policy and strategic direction for North Home Healthcare. Provide guidance and direction for North Home Healthcare's Agency of the Future initiative, which ensures the agency's focus is the use of technology to realize efficiencies while maintaining a high level of customer/patient satisfaction and outcomes. Set direction of North Home Healthcare that is carried out in accordance with North Home Healthcare's vision, goals, and objectives.

Chief Information Officer, Baker Robbins & Company 2001-2007

As the CIO, I chaired the Strategic Services Assessment Team (SSAT) in the governance of the organization's architecture, telecommunications, networks, programming, media, and strategic projects. Oversaw network design, support, and programming for the organization. Manage business network consulting services, research and development services, and related functions. Developed and communicated business and technology alignment plans and liaised for the company's technology vision. Control technical services budgets for purchasing, staffing, and operations.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

National Curaçao Archives Radboud Institute for Culture and History, Willemstad, Curaçao	2024
Research Foundation, San Diego State University Prints & Photographs Division Archives Library of Congress, Washington, DC	2023
Whitney Plantation Museum Plantation Archives, Edgar, LA	2020-2023
Garcitas Freedman's Community Jackson Country, Inez, TX	2017-present
Digital Collections Archives Victoria Regional History Center, Victoria, TX	2017-present
Keeper of the Walls – Community Archives Digital Repository Jackson County, TX	2016-present
Descendants Project - Visual Anthropological Database Jackson County, Texas Community Archival Research	2018-present
The Brazoria County 1619 Descendants Project Varner-Hogg Plantation State Historic Site, West Columbia, TX	2019-present

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

<i>Rewoven Narratives</i> , Breezeway Gallery Whitman College, Walla Walla, WA	2024
<i>Rewoven Narratives</i> , Artproduce San Diego, CA	2024
<i>Keeper of The Walls</i> , Everett Jackson Gallery School of Art + Design – San Diego State University, San Diego, CA	2024
<i>A Return to Place</i> , Varner-Hogg Plantation State Historic Site West Columbia, TX (Curator\Site Educator - Mark Osborne)	2024

<i>"H-Town Hurts"</i> Installation Gallery School of Art + Design – San Diego State University, San Diego, CA	2023
<i>Re-Imagined, Lifting the Veil</i> , A Meeting Place Gallery Houston, TX (Curated – Tonja North)	2022
<i>AYA – The Endurance of the Black Woman</i> , Ronin Studios Houston, TX (Curated – Tonja North)	2022
<i>Proverbial Expressions – My Life Hacks</i> , 3 rd Space Studios Kathrine G. McGovern College of the Arts University of Houston, Houston, TX	2020
<i>The Restoration of Time</i> , Garcitas Cemetery Kathrine G. McGovern College of the Arts University of Houston, Houston, TX	2020
GROUP EXHIBITIONS	
<i>Afroture: I See You: Beauty Through The Black Lens</i> Luxe Gallery, San Diego City College	2024
<i>SAE 2024 Exhibition</i> Jackson Gallery, School of Art + Design – San Diego State University	2024
<i>Conjunto</i> Jackson Gallery, School of Art + Design – San Diego State University	2023
<i>Center Forward</i> Center for Fine Art Photography, Fort Collins, CO	2023
<i>40th Center Annual</i> Houston Center for Photography, Houston TX	2023
<i>UnBound12!</i> Candela Gallery, Richmond, VA	2023
<i>Black Artist Exhibition</i> Luxe Gallery, San Diego, CA	2023
<i>Decolonized Aesthetics of the Black Atlantic World</i> Jackson Gallery, School of Art + Design – San Diego State University	2023

<i>Size Matters</i> Mesa College Art Gallery, San Diego, CA	2023
<i>SAE 2023 Exhibition</i> Jackson Gallery, School of Art + Design – San Diego State University	2023
<i>Photo 2022 Faculty Exhibition</i> Jackson Gallery, School of Art + Design – San Diego State University	2022
<i>The Sixteen</i> Flor y Canto Gallery, School of Art + Design – San Diego State University	2022
<i>Series & Narrative</i> Installation Gallery, School of Art + Design – San Diego State University	2022
<i>SAE 2022 Exhibition</i> Jackson Gallery, School of Art + Design – San Diego State University	2022
<i>MFA Group Exhibition</i> Flor y Canto Gallery, School of Art + Design – San Diego State University	2021
<i>Emergence</i> G-Spot Contemporary Art Space Gallery, Houston, TX	2021
<i>Assuming the Pose</i> Third Space Gallery, Houston, TX	2020
<i>Annual School of Art Student Exhibition,</i> Blaffer Museum, University of Houston, Houston, TX	2020
<i>PDM Student Exhibition</i> Katherine McGovern College of Art, University of Houston, Houston, TX	2019

RESEARCH GRANTS

Graduate Travel Grant - San Diego State University Decolonized Aesthetics Presentation – Society of Photographic Educators St. Louis, Missouri	2023
Student Success Fee - San Diego State University Library of Congress Archival Research	2023

Prints & Photographs Division, Washington, D.C.

Graduate Travel Grant - San Diego State University 2023
Deep South Research, Texas

Graduate Travel Grant - San Diego State University 2022
Deep South Research, Louisiana

FELLOWSHIPS

Presidential Research Graduate Award 2021-2024
Role: Graduate Fellow

HONORS & AWARDS

Outstanding Graduate Student 2024
College of Professional Studies and Fine Arts, San Diego State University

The Prebys Creative and Performing Arts Endowed Scholarship 2023
San Diego State University

Graduate Student Travel Award 2023
College of Graduate Studies, San Diego State University

Beth Block Honorarium 2023
Houston Center for Photography

Black Artist Scholarship Award 2023
Medium Photo

Scott Guhin Endowed Scholarship Award 2022
San Diego State University

Graduate Research Award 2022
Research Foundation, San Diego State University

Graduate Student Travel Award 2022
College of Graduate Studies, San Diego State University

Thomas Flaxman Endowed Art Award 2022
Hewlett Packard Foundation

Louis Fields Memorial Scholarship Award Society of Photographic Education	2021
CITE FotoFest Internship Scholarship Award FotoFest	2021
CITE FotoFest Merit Award FotoFest	2021

MENTORING EXPERIENCE

San Diego Unified School District School of Creative and Performing Arts Photography & Media Students	2022-2024
University of Houston BFA Photography & Digital Media Senior Block Students	2021
Texas Historical Commission Preservation Scholars Program Summer Internship Placement	2019
Texas Historical Commission Levi Jordan Plantation Logo Design BIPOC Student Graphic Design Group	2019 - 2020

SERVICE & OUTREACH

Jackson Gallery/Flor y Canto Gallery School of Art + Design, San Diego State University San Diego Unified School District School of Creative and Performing Arts Senior Class of 2023 Exhibition	2023
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UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Community Partnership School of Art + Design in Collaboration with San Diego Unified School District School of Creative and Performing Arts San Diego State University	2022-2024
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SDSU Student Symposium, or S³ 2022-2023
Planning Committee
San Diego State University

Chair of School of Art + Design Safety Committee 2022-2023
San Diego State University

Member Strategic Planning Alliance (SPA) 2021-2022
Kathrine G. McGovern College of the Arts at the
University of Houston

PRESENTATIONS

Medium Photo Presents: Hale County This Morning, This Evening 2024
In Conversation w/Robin North, Digital Gym Cinema, San Diego, CA
Society for Photographic Education Annual Conference 2024
Visualizing Resistance: Decolonized Aesthetics and Subverting Dominant Narratives
Afroture: I See You, Community Dialogue Panel, San Diego City College 2024
Decolonizing Photography
Afroture: I See You: Beauty Through The Lens, San Diego City College 2024
Visualizing Resistance: Decolonized Aesthetics and Subverting Dominant Narratives
S3 Symposium, San Diego State 2024
Visualizing Resistance: Decolonized Aesthetics and Subverting Dominant Narratives
Houston Center for Photography 2023
Beth Block Honorarium [Online](#)
Medium Photo Black Artist Scholarship 2023
In Conversation [Online](#)
Black Arts Coalition Masonic Lodge 2022
The Specificity of Blackness:
A Visual Anthropological Critique and Cultural Representation of Jackson County, TX.
Coupa Software, Inc. – Coupa Engage Diversity and Inclusion Community 2021
The Visible Language of Bias [Online](#)
Meeting Place Studios - Cyanotype Blueprint to Unearth Hidden Truths 2020
Deep Roots Buried History
Varner-Hogg Plantation State Historic Site, West Columbia, TX 2019
The Main House Forums

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Office 365	Expert
Adobe Creative Cloud	Expert
Adobe Photoshop & Adobe Lightroom	Expert
Adobe Premiere	Expert
Adobe Analytics	Expert
Adobe After Effects	Expert
Photography Darkroom	Expert
Photography Alternative Processes	Expert
Digital Asset Management	Expert
Adobe XD	Advanced
Adobe Illustrator	Advanced
Google Analytics	Advanced
Omeka S	Advanced
Sprout Social	Advanced
Facebook Insights	Advanced
Canva	Expert
Instructure Canvas	Expert
HubSpot	Expert

PERMANENT COLLECTIONS

Office of Faculty Adv. and Student Success, San Diego State University, San Diego, CA
PSFA, The College of Arts and Letters, San Diego State University, San Diego, CA
The College of Arts and Letters, Dean's Office, San Diego State University, San Diego, CA
Rady Children's Hospital, San Diego, CA
Gallery of Paideia Collection, Houston, TX
Varner-Hogg Plantation State Historic Site
Texas Historical Commission, Austin, TX