

Kara M. Salinas

Educator and emerging artist; a graduate from the UTSA College of Architecture with a Bachelor of Science in Architecture, and a Master of Arts in Art Education from Boston University.

Adept in designing and developing creatively throughout the ideation process, "I draw and model the details that are needed to successfully bring creative projects to life." I offer a strong knowledge of the different stages of design and project development along with the expertise in employing methods to complete projects on time.

I have an expert knowledge of AutoCAD software for both PC&Mac, Civil 3D CAD, Google Sketchup, Form-Z, Adobe Creative Suite software for both Graphic Design, Animation or Film. Entry level knowledge of Maya, Blender, and Toon Boom Harmony.

Online Portfolio

http://www.coroflot.com/kara_m_salinas

Education

Minneapolis College of Art & Design

2501 Stevens Avenue
Minneapolis, MN 55404

Concept Art for Film, Animation, and Games (FA20)

Class Number: CSMA 4800 20 FA20

Enrollment Dates: 9/28/2020 – 12/11/2020

Instructor: Lafe Smith

Total hours: 60

Boston University College of Fine Arts

855 Commonwealth Ave.
Boston, MA 02215

M.A. Art Education

2010-2011(Degree)

Boston Architectural College

M.A. Architecture

320 Newbury St.
Boston, MA 02115
2007-2009

University of Texas San Antonio

501 S. Frio St.
San Antonio, TX 78207

Bachelor of Science in Architecture

Graduated May 13, 2006 (Degree)

University of the Incarnate Word

4301 Broadway
San Antonio, TX 78209
2001
Dean's List

Experience

Communications Arts High School

11600 Culebra Rd.
San Antonio, TX 78253
(210) 397-6043

February 2019- Present

Animation I M, Advanced Animation II M/Lab (114 minute course), 3D Modeling & Animation (Adv. Animation course 50 minute course), AP Art History & Dual Credit Art Appreciation.

Storyboarding, Animated Film (competitions, portfolio, reels & exhibition), 2D renderings and 3D modeling, 3D Animation & rigging, 2D & 3D environments.

Pape-Dawson Engineers

2000 Northwest Loop 410
Castle Hills, TX 78213
(210) 375-9000

October 2018- February 2019

-Drafting construction documents for residential civil engineering projects using Civil 3D AutoCAD.

-Provide support to engineers by preparing construction documents and plats, and then printing these documents at various engineer scales using the office plotting devices.

Architecture Curriculum Development

Southwest School of Art
300 Augusta St.
San Antonio, TX 78205
(210) 438-6570

June 2018

-Reviewed existing curriculum

-Researched and expanded curriculum for the upcoming 2018 school year for the SSA Kids Initiating Design Solutions program.

-Provided applicable T.E.K.S. for each lesson

Architecture Teacher

Thomas Jefferson High School
S.A.I.S.D.
723 Donaldson Avenue
San Antonio, TX 78201

(210) 438-6570

2016-June 2017

-Taught Courses: Principles of Architecture and Construction, Architectural Design, Advanced Architectural Design, Practicum in Architectural Design I & Practicum in Architectural Design II.

-Managed classroom

-Model building (actual and digital)

-AutoCAD, Adobe Photoshop, Google Sketchup, Prezzie, Microsoft Word & PowerPoint, Google Docs, Slides, & Classroom.
-School Sponsor for A.C.E. (Architecture, Construction, and Engineering Mentor program.

Artist/Art Educator

Spare Parts SA

<http://sparepartssa.org/>

Mary E. Cantu (210) 274-5409

- *Develop Curriculum, Build, and Teach Art concepts with Reuse Materials to children and families at satellite events.*
- *Research and wrote narrative for IRS form 1023 Part IV 501(c)(3)*
- *Gallery Guide for Art//Craft, a mobile gallery sponsored by Public Art San Antonio, during field trips for SAISD.*

2017-Present

Art Teacher

John Marshall High School

N.I.S.D.

8000 Lobo Lane

Leon Valley, TX 78240

(210) 397-7100

- *Develop Curriculum, Build, and Teach Art concepts for levels Art I & II.*
- *School Sponsor for National Art Honor Society.*
- *Team to organize for TAEA Visual Arts Scholastic Event.*
- *Managed classroom*
- *Model building (actual and digital)*
- *Adobe Photoshop, Google Sketchup, Prezzie, Microsoft Word & PowerPoint, Google Docs, Slides, & Classroom*

2014-2016

Teacher Fellow

McNay Art Museum

6000 North New Braunfels

San Antonio, TX 78209

(210) 805-1766

Circa 1900s Teacher Fellow

Spring-Fall 2017

- *Develop Curriculum, Build, and Teach middle school Social Studies using Art concepts.*

Art Teacher

Highlands High School
S.A.I.S.D.
3118 Elgin Avenue
San Antonio, TX 78210-5599
(210) 333-0421

- *Develop Curriculum, Build, and Teach Art concepts for levels Art I, II, III & IV.*
 - *School Sponsor for National Art Honor Society.*
 - *Team to organize for TAEA Visual Arts Scholastic Event.*
 - *Managed classroom*
 - *Model building (actual and digital)*
 - *Adobe Photoshop, Google Sketchup, Prezzie, Microsoft Word & PowerPoint, Google Docs, Slides, & Classroom*
- 2010-2014

Summer Art teacher for SA Parks & Recreation

Cuellar Park

5626 San Fernando
San Antonio, TX 78237
(210) 207-7275

- *Organized, facilitated art workshops, and educated middle school aged children with Art programming I developed about Andy Goldsworthy highlighting San Antonio natural resources.*
- Summer 2012

Substitute Teaching

Alamo Heights I.S.D.
7101 Broadway
San Antonio, TX 78209
(210) 824-2483
Substitute teacher EC-12 2009-2010

Architectural

Absolute Design Partners
121 Interpark Blvd. Suite 112
San Antonio, TX 78216
James Acosta #210-478-6385
Job Captain 2008-2010

- *All phases of Construction Documents (AutoDesk AutoCAD), furniture schedules, interior planning, equipment schedules, project management, Presentations: Photoshop, Sketchup*

and Revit modeling.

F&S Partners
8350 N. Central Expressway
Dallas, TX 75206
Nick Back #214-559-4851
Intern Architect 2006-2008
*- All phases of Construction Documents (Bentley AutoCAD),
furniture schedules, interior planning, equipment schedules,
project management, Construction Administration,
Presentations: Photoshop, Sketchup modeling.*

College Internship

University of Texas at San Antonio
College of Architecture
501 W. Durango Blvd.
San Antonio, TX 78207
Work-study 2004-2006

Volunteer Work

-2021 UIL Young Filmmakers (Digital & Traditional Animation)
Juror for assigned animated High School student film submissions.
Scored and provided detailed written feedback for each assigned
animated film student submission.

-2017-present SA STEAM Mentors
Mentor to volunteer, facilitate workshops, and educate middle school
aged female students attending Poe Middle School in San Antonio
ISD about the field of Architecture. SA STEAM Mentors goal is to
expose young students to STEAM fields and nurturing positive
relationships to improve retention rates of girls in STEAM. Veronica
Martinez #210-710-5513

-2016-2017 ACE Mentor Program of Greater San Antonio,
A.C.E. school sponsor to volunteer, facilitate workshops, and educate
high school aged architecture students attending Jefferson High
School in San Antonio ISD about the field of Architecture. A.C.E.
organization mission is to engage, excite and enlighten high school
students to pursue careers in architecture, engineering, and
construction through mentoring and to support their continued
advancement in the industry. Mary P. Stewart #210-834-1772

-2014-2017 Spare Parts SA
Artist and Educator volunteer to organize, facilitate art workshops,
and educate children attending various Art programming at

locations around San Antonio. Spare Parts SA is the leader in reuse education through the arts. Mary E. Cantu #210-274-5409

Commissions, Awards, and Certificates

-Brick “Greater than 40” contributing artist in group show, Brought to you by Negative Space, the new curatorial venture from Sarah Fisch and Ann Enzminger, Brick hosted a one-day pop-up exhibit that shines the spotlight solely on women artists beyond the age of 40.

-Public Art San Antonio’s “Public Artist 2018 Mentorship Course” San Antonio, TX: Technicolor Crossings

Artist invited to participate and compete in a mock RFP among 11 additional emerging artists.

-2017 San Pedro Creek Culture Park Pre-Qualified List of Artists Artist invited to participate and compete for upcoming RFPs among additional emerging artists.

-Luminaria 2016 Artist for Luminaria November 10-13th, commissioned to create a fabric sculpture installed at Hays Street Bridge titled **“Tentsallation”**

-Art Educator workshop for The McNay Spotlight Saturday Teacher Workshop November 11, 2016, inspired by Alexander Calder teaching how to create and teach making mobiles.

-Art Educator workshop for The McNay Free Family Days Spring Break 2016: We are Royals! Inspired by photographer Cecil Beaton, who dressed his friends as fictional royal characters. A workshop designed for museum visitors to learn how to create a Tunnel Book as a visual response to take home of their museum experience.

-2014-2015 Artist for The DoSeum (opening on June 5th), commissioned to create a permanent sound sculpture titled **“Junk Jam”** *ongoing*

-2014 Featured Artist Spare Parts MINI ART MUSEUM **Chartered Territories**; Three works exhibited, “Lines”, “Landmark”, & “Destination”

-2014-16 Established *John Marshall High School National Art Honor Society, NAHS sponsor*

-2012 Published photographer in See Me Group Inc. **One Life: stories told through photography** competition. Published photo located on page 190.

- 2011-14 Co-Established *Highlands High School National Art Honor Society*, NAHS sponsor
- Guadalupe Cultural Arts Center Escuela Project 2011-2012 Block Print Revolution!*
- Art Educator sponsor group of Highlands High School NAHS students at ***Pie to the People 2***
- Art Educator Volunteer SAMA Family Day **Jade exhibit:** Sumi-e, and **Contemporary Art exhibit:** Printmaking
- Furniture for Kids** 1st place design Dallas 2007
- Recipient of **Boston Architectural College Distance M. Architecture scholarship** 2007-2008
- Photographer's Forum Magazine: Finalist in 25th Annual College Photography Contest**
- Recipient of **UTSA College of Architecture/USAA scholarship 2005-2006**
- Recipient of **University of the Incarnate Word Dean's Honor list**, Spring 2002
- Standard Texas Teaching Certificate Art All level (EC-12)**
- Standard Texas Teaching Certificate Technology Education (6-12)**
- Student work** 1st place at 2013 Regional VASE: *Highlands High School:*
Marco Lujan (advanced to State VASE 2013, 1st place at State)
- Student work** 1st place at 2011 Regional VASE: *Highlands High School:*
Luke Martinez (advanced to State VASE 2011, 1st place at State)

Blogs & News

Posted by: Mary Elizabeth Cantu
 Kara Michele Salinas, "Spare Parts Crosses The Pacific" (Spare Parts blog), November, 28, 2017.
<http://sparepartssa.org/wp/blog/spare-parts-crosses-the-pacific/>

Rocio Guenther, "Luminaria Shines on the Eastside's Hays Street Bridge" (therivardreport.com), November 10, 2016.
<https://therivardreport.com/luminaria-shines-on-the-eastsides-hays-street-bridge/>

Sarah Fisch, "A pioneering partnership: spare parts and the San Antonio DoSeum make "Junk Jam" happen" (Spare Parts blog), March 13, 2015. <http://sparepartstudio.org/tag/junk-jam/>