

CARLY GARZA

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BFA in Fine Art

Cornish College of the Arts, Seattle, WA

Fiber artist, painter, musician, and illustrator with an interest in mark-making, color theory, feminism, rest, and sparking joy. I intend to grow my creative career through my independent art/illustration business and public art.

STRENGTHS, SKILLS, AWARDS

- Experienced in a wide range of art media, including: drawing and painting, digital art, sewing and fibers, custom framing, art installation, photography and video, music and sound, printmaking and bookbinding.
- Skilled in Microsoft Suite, Adobe Creative Cloud, Google Apps, Zoom, Procreate.
- Knowledgeable in art history, art restoration/conservation, and the music industry.
- Recipient of a 2021 Luminaria Working Artist Fund Grant
- SAY Sí San Antonio Alum; Selected for 2015 Dimensions Apartments' Summer Artist Residency through Cornish College of the Arts, and 2022 FOCO Artist Studio Residency at Brick Gallery in Blue Star Arts Complex.

Freelance Artist 2018-Present

San Antonio, TX

- I have been booking commissions for individual painting projects since 2012, and decided to pursue art full-time in 2018. I've been making watercolor paintings, embroideries, and other mixed media projects during this time, and have participated in a group show at Clamplight Gallery and two solo shows at spaces in the Blue Star Arts Complex. I have built an illustration business called Cake Forever, which sells cat-centric prints, stickers, and tote bags. .

Content Manager 2017-2018

Do210.com, San Antonio Current, San Antonio, TX

- Created, collected, and managed all content and ad space for Do210.com, an SA Current-owned website focused on events around the greater San Antonio area. I wrote a daily newsletter to an email list of over 45k and created content for Do210 social media. We also put on music events, partnering with alcohol brands and local bars for mutual promotion.

Apparel Studio Assistant 2015-2016

Cornish College of the Arts, Seattle, WA

- I was responsible for supervising the Open Studio Hours in the new Apparel studio in the Performance Production Department at Cornish. I was available to assist students if they had any issues constructing a garment or using the sewing machines. I also worked as an assistant in the Drawing studio, in charge of keeping track of the supply room.

Printmaking Studio Assistant Winter 2015

Betty Merken Studios, Seattle, WA

- I was a work-study assistant for Seattle printmaker and painter Betty Merken. I assisted Betty with oil monotypes and maintained the studio, in addition to packing and organizing much of her work and supplies when she moved spaces.

Jewelry Supply Sales Associate 2015-2016

Fusion

Beads, Seattle, WA

- I taught guests basic jewelry-making and repair techniques, and drove sales of jewelry supplies and class enrollments while ensuring a creative and upbeat atmosphere in the shop.

Gig Manager/Musician Summer 2015 (Seasonal)

Gigs4U, Seattle, WA

- I worked in liaison with Downtown Seattle Association at parks around Seattle in order to provide musical entertainment for park guests. As Gig Manager, I set up sound system equipment, ran the soundboard, sold merchandise, and offered general support to musicians, in addition to representing Gigs4U and DSA to the public.

Sales Associate 2014-2015

Sub Pop Records Airport Store, Sea-Tac, WA

- The Airport Store was a new venture for Sub Pop Records, an independent record label famously associated with the band Nirvana and the "grunge" music scene. My team opened this store and ensured its financial success in its first year. I developed a deep knowledge of the Sub Pop catalog, engaged celebrity and high-profile clientele, and spread the good word of rock 'n roll to travelers.

Curriculum Vitae

EDUCATION

2016 Bachelor of Fine Arts, Cornish College of the Arts, Seattle, WA

COMMISSIONS

2021 Public Art Commission, *Queer Love Is*, chalk mural for *Artpace Chalk It Up*. San Antonio Public Library, Maverick Branch, San Antonio, TX

ARTIST TALKS

2020 Visiting Artist Sketchbook Workshop via Zoom. SAY Sí, San Antonio, TX

EXHIBITIONS

2022 *Queer-Itura y Queerpo*. Group Show. Latino Cultural Center. Dallas, TX

2022 *Escape Route for the Burned Out*. Solo Show. FOCO Artist Studio Residency, Brick Gallery at Blue Star, San Antonio, TX

2022 *Contemporary Art Month (CAM) Perennial, "Interior Realities"*. Group Show. Southwest School of Art, San Antonio, TX

2021 *DORMANT*. Solo Show. Creative Eye Gallery, Blue Star Arts Complex, San Antonio, TX

2019 *Carly Garza*. Solo Show. Part of *Olmos Park Sip 'n Shop Art Walk*. Citrine Home, San Antonio, TX

2019 *Intersectionality of Inquiry*. Group Show. Clamplight Artist Studios and Gallery, San Antonio, TX

2019 *Works In Progress by Carly Garza*. Solo Show. Part of *On and Off Fredericksburg Rd. Art Walk*. Jump Start Performance Co., San Antonio, TX

2018 *Stuck Together: Works by Carly Garza*. Solo Show. Creative Creatures Gallery, Blue Star Arts Complex, San Antonio, TX

2017 *(NON)COMMERCIAL: SHARE ALIKE*. Group Show. Trebla Art Gallery, San Antonio, TX

2016 *BFA EXPO '16, Art & Design BFA Exhibition*. Cornish College of the Arts, Seattle, TX

2015 *A Common Thread*. Group Show. K23 Gallery, San Antonio, TX

2015 *SIX SOUNDS*. Group Show. Jack Straw Cultural Center, Seattle, WA

2014 *Ephemeral Dialogues*. Group Show. Cornish College of the Arts, Seattle, WA

2014 *INTERVENTIONS*. Public Art Group Show. Clark Lake Park, Kent, WA

2014 *GIRL TIME PART II*. Cornish College of the Arts "Closet Gallery," Seattle, WA

2014 *GIRL TIME*. Cornish College of the Arts Collaboratory and online at <http://girltimegirltimegirltime.tumblr.com/>, Seattle, WA

RESIDENCIES + AWARDS

2022 FOCO (Focused On Creative Opportunity) Artist Studio Residency at Brick Gallery, Blue Star Arts Complex, San Antonio, TX

2021 Luminaria Working Artist Fund Grant, San Antonio, TX

2015 Dimensions Summer Artist Residency, in partnership with Cornish College of the Arts, Seattle, WA

RELATED EXPERIENCE

2018 - Present *Freelance Artist*. San Antonio, TX

2015 - 2016 *Studio Assistant*. Performance Production department, Art department, Cornish College of the Arts. Seattle, WA

2015 *Studio Assistant*. Betty Merken Studios. Seattle, WA