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Education

2021-23 SAINT MARY-OF-THE-WOODS COLLEGE, Saint Mary of the Woods, IN
Graduate student, MAAT, Masters in Art Therapy, expected graduation 2024

2020 SAN ANTONIO COLLEGE, San Antonio, TX
Undergraduate psychology work

1993-96 PENNSYLVANIA ACADEMY OF THE FINE ARTS, Philadelphia, PA
Studio art classes in figure painting and sculpture, printmaking, anatomy, landscapes, mixed media; art history

1992 STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Palo Alto, CA
Graduate work in Russian studies
Foreign Language Area Scholarship (FLAS)

1988-92 UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, Philadelphia, PA
B.S. Economics, Magna Cum Laude, The Wharton School of Business
B.A. Russian Area Studies, Magna Cum Laude, The College

Professional

2023 Innova Recovery Center, Art therapist

2023 Blue Heron Recovery Center, Art therapist

2022-23 Laurel Ridge Treatment Center, Art therapy intern

1998-Present Sole Proprietorship: ArtKetubah.com
Small art businesses; local and national customers

2021-23 Editing Work for Grant Proposals

1996 – 2015 Art Teaching
Congregation Agudas Achim, 2013-15
Aleph Kallah, 2011
New Directions, Veterans in recovery, 1998-99
Brentwood Art Center, 1998
Akiba HS, 1996

2003 Jewish Creators' Circle
Co-creator & co-director, Workmen's Circle in Los Angeles, CA

1995-2003 Co-Writer

Skills

Creativity: Working artist in multiple media including framing; Writer of blogs, personal journals, papers for school, grants, websites, artist statements and art descriptions; Expert at problem solving, experimentation, growth and development, learning on the job

Communication: art commission vision development with marrying couples; collaboration on grant writing; professional use of emails and phone; strong relationships with family

Customer Service: Customers include rabbis, Judaica stores, brides, grooms, mothers of the bride, local customers at art fairs, and galleries

Organization: Superb simultaneous management of office, art studio, master's level school work, computer, web, and telecommunication systems, art and business inventory, family and household needs (as single parent)

Marketing: Art marketing, in-person and online, Website design and development, fluent with Wordpress platforms, web hosting and backend website management

Computer Skills: Adobe Suite (Photoshop, Illustrator, and Indesign)

Personal

Self-motivated, hard-working, and passionate about art and healing, attentive to details, fast learner, first generation American, avid reader, personal and spiritual development, global travel experience, cultural intelligence, active self-care through meditation and physical exercise

Select Solo Exhibitions

2023	<i>Artist Corner Spotlight</i> , Barshop JCC of San Antonio
2021-2023	Gruene Market Days, vendor with permanent spot
2013- 2023	Multiple Art Fairs in San Antonio Area
2012	<i>Jewish Art, Food, Art and Israel</i> , Barshop JCC of San Antonio
2006	<i>Portraits, Figures, and Monoprints</i> , West End Bakery, Asheville, NC
2005	<i>Landscapes, Abstracts, and Flower Paintings</i> , Salsas, Asheville, NC
1999	<i>Sacred Images of Israel and Judaism</i> , USC Hillel Gallery - Los Angeles, CA
1999	<i>Women in India</i> , Multicultural Music and Art Foundation - Northridge, CA

Select Awards, Publications, Juried Exhibits

2023	SAN ANTONIO ART LEAGUE & MUSEUM, Lone Star Horizons
2022	SAN ANTONIO ART LEAGUE & MUSEUM, Annual Juried Exhibition
2018	SAN ANTONIO ART LEAGUE & MUSEUM, Artist of the Year finalist
2018	NAVE MUSEUM (Victoria, Texas) New Year, New Art: Emerging Artists from the Southwest School of Art,
2017	SAN ANTONIO ART LEAGUE & MUSEUM, Annual Juried Exhibition
2016	SOUTHWEST SCHOOL OF ART
2010	LARK BOOKS. <i>500 Judaica</i> . New York, NY: Sterling Publishing Co., Inc. 2010.
2008	BIRKAT HAHAMMAH ART COMPETITION, 1st Place
2005	WIE MAN JUDISCH HEIRATET ~ HOW TO MARRY JEWISH The Jewish Museum, Vienna, Austria, "Ketubah Art"

Other Experience

1996-present	Working Artist Active art studio in every home since art school Media: watercolor, oil, encaustic, paper collage, ceramics, fabric arts, acrylics, photography, printmaking (etching, woodcut), multimedia constructions
1995-present	Convert to Judaism
2008-2009	Massive Stroke Rehabilitation, Primary support person to husband
1997-2003	Yoga Teacher, Iyengar Yoga
2006-present	Gurdjieff Society membership