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EDUCATION

Ohio University
Athens, Ohio
M.A. in Photography
Emphasis in Photojournalism
May 2018

University of California, Berkeley
Berkeley, California
B.A. in Linguistics
May 2009

AFFILIATIONS

Asian American Journalist
Association (AAJA)
Association of LGBTQ
Journalists (NLGJA)
National Press Photographers
Associations (NPPA)
Authority Collective
Women Photograph
Diversify Photo
Queer the Lens
Trans Journalist Association (TJA)

DOCUMENTARY PHOTOGRAPHER

JOURNALISM + PHOTOGRAPHY

SAN ANTONIO EXPRESS-NEWS, Hearst Photo Fellow, San Antonio, California, Aug 2023-Present
SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE, Hearst Photo Fellow, San Francisco, California, Aug 2022-Aug 2023
DIVERSIFY PHOTO, Communications Manager, Remote, Dec 2019-Present
FREELANCE, Photographer, Sacramento, California, Feb 2019-Present
COURIER-JOURNAL, Photography Intern, Louisville, Kentucky, June 2018-Aug 2018
OHIO UNIVERSITY, Gallery Manager, Athens, Ohio, Aug 2016-May 2018
FAIRBANKS DAILY NEWS-MINER, Photography Intern, Fairbanks, Alaska, June 2012-Aug 2012
KODIAK DAILY MIRROR, Photography Intern, Kodiak, Alaska, June 2010-July 2010
THE DAILY CALIFORNIAN, Berkeley, California
Staff Photographer, Nov 2005-May 2009
Photo Editor, Summer 2006-Spring 2007

WORKSHOPS

2022 IWMF HEFAT Training, Los Angeles
2021 Bridging the Personal to the Universal, remote
2021 NY Portfolio Review, remote
2020 Long-term Project Development Workshop, Santa Rosa, California
2020 GalleryView: A Virtual Photography Portfolio Review, remote
2019 Blink Connect Portfolio Review, New York, New York
2019 Catchlight Portfolio Review, San Francisco, California
2018 Momena Nonprofit Photography and Multimedia Workshop, Portland, Oregon
2018 Eddie Adams Workshop, Class of XXXI, Jeffersonville, New York
2017 NLGJA Connect Student Journalism Project, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
2017-2018 Women Photograph Workshop Participant, New York, New York

SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2022 Documenting Dysphoria, Viewpoint Photographic Art Center, Sacramento, California
2019 Documenting Dysphoria, Sacramento LGBT Community Center, Sacramento, California
2018 Documenting Dysphoria, School of Visual Communication Gallery, Athens, Ohio

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2021 SaveArtSpace: Queering the Cream City, The Alice Wilds, Milwaukee, Wisconsin
2019 Alter/Altar, Lavender Library, Sacramento, California
2019 Parallax, Photoville NY, New York, New York
2019 Parallax, Instagram NYC Headquarters, New York, New York
2019 Parallax, Photoville LA, Los Angeles, California
2018 Quarts, ARTS West, Athens, Ohio
2017 Our Town, School of Visual Communication Gallery, Athens, Ohio
2016 SPI & NPPAOU Student Work, School of Visual Communication Gallery, Athens, Ohio
2015 Seoul Photo & Imaging Show, Coex, Seoul, South Korea
2009 Berkeley Without Shadow, Addison Street Windows Gallery, Berkeley, California

TEACHING

ATHENS PHOTO PROJECT, ATHENS, OHIO, SEPTEMBER 2017-MAY 2018
Volunteer Teacher's assistant in photo classes for community members with disabilities and mental illness
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA BERKELEY, BERKELEY CALIFORNIA, JANUARY 2008- MAY 2009
Photography Instructor Created and facilitated the *Daily Cal Decal: Intro to Photojournalism* through DeCal, a student run democratic education program at UC Berkeley; led lectures and scheduled guest speakers for weekly 20-person class to train new photo department staff

BIBLIOGRAPHY

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- 2021 **Wissmath, Salgu.** *Ari + Valerie.* 2019. *Aint-Bad Magazine No. 15*, Aint-Bad 2021, p.86-89
- 2021 **Wissmath, Salgu.** "These Photos Show Us What Gender Dysphoria Really Feels Like." *HuffPost*, 24 June 2021, https://www.huffpost.com/entry/gender-dysphoria-photo-series_n_60bf70b4e4b0698a6f812b5e.
- 2021 **Allione, Pauline.** "Les transidentités documentées à travers des portraits touchants signés Salgu Wissmath." *Kobani Arts*, 26 April 2021, <https://arts.konbini.com/photo/les-transidentites-documentees-a-travers-des-portraits-touchants-signes-salgu-wissmath>.
- 2021 **Belle, Elly.** "Gender Dysphoria, Gender Euphoria Portraits by — and for — the trans and nonbinary community." *The Cut*, 31 March 2021, <https://www.thecut.com/2021/03/photographs-documenting-dysphoria-by-salgu-wissmath.html>.
- 2020 "Documenting Dysphoria." *Outward Magazine*, No. 661, 24 Nov. 2020, p. 5.
- 2020 **Villamizar, Laura Beltran.** "Nonbinary Photographer Documents Gender Dysphoria Through A Queer Lens." *NPR*, 30 June 2020, www.npr.org/sections/pictureshow/2020/06/30/883930251/documenting-gender-dysphoria.
- 2020 "Gender Inclusivity and the Importance of Community Support." *Bioneers*, April 2020, bioneers.org/gender-inclusivity-and-the-importance-of-community-support/

ARTIST TALKS/ PANELS

- 2022 **Panelist**, "The Power of Visual Journalism" panel, Catchlight CalMatters Luncheon, San Francisco, CA
- 2022 **Panelist**, "Queer(ing) Journalism" panel, Asian American Journalist Association Convention, Los Angeles, CA
- 2022 **Moderator**, "Crafting Your Career: Build Your Own Collective" panel, Diversify Photo + Photoville Professional Development Workshops
- 2021 **Guest Speaker**, Cronkite School of Journalism, Arizona State University
- 2020 **Panelist**, "Lens on Mental Health" panel, Chennai Photo Biennale Learning Lab
- 2020 **Guest Speaker**, Cronkite School of Journalism, Arizona State University
- 2019 **Panelist**, "The Radical Inclusion of All Genders" panel, Bioneers Conference, San Rafael, CA
- 2019-2023 **Panelist**, Queer Voices, Sacramento, California

AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS

- 2023 **Curve Award for Emerging Journalists**, recipient
- 2022-2024 **Hearst Photo Fellow**
- 2022 **AAJA Emerging Journalist of the Year Award**, recipient
- 2022 **IWMF Gwen Ifill Fellow**, mentee
- 2021 **California Arts Council Emerging Artist Fellow**, recipient
- 2021 **Puffin Foundation Grant**, recipient
- 2019 **Catchlight Local Fellowship**, shortlisted
- 2019-2020 **NPPA Mentor Program**, mentee
- 2018 **2nd Quarter NPPA Student Quarterly- Picture Story/Essay**, 2nd place
- 2018 **2nd Quarter NPPA Student Quarterly- Portrait & Illustration**, 2nd place
- 2018 **1st Quarter NPPA Student Quarterly- Picture Story/Essay**, 1st place
- 2018 **West Award for Project Portland Momenta Workshop**
- 2018 **AAJA Voices Fellow**
- 2018 **Chips Quinn Scholar**
- 2017 **Lange-Taylor Prize**, finalist
- 2017-2018 **Women Photograph Mentee**
- 2008 **California College Media Association Award, Best Sports Photo**, 3rd place