



Ohso Fabone

Profile

Educator, Graphic Designer, Visual Artist & Martial Arts Instructor with 20+ years of teaching experience.

Ohso is a self-taught, International, mixed media Artist from New Orleans, LA. She began creating detailed drawings at the age of three. Her work includes acrylics, airbrush, celluclay, inks, pastels, fabric paints, and block stamp printing, resulting in imaginative 3-D portraits of Women of Color, featuring Afrocentric hairstyles, Scandinavian influences, floral motifs, Japanese aesthetics, and Adinkra symbols, highlighting the connections between hair, identity, and spirituality.

Education

TESOL (120 Hour) Certification English-as-a-Second-Language Education (ICOES 100-95355) International Open Academy. Nov 2018

Associate of Occupational Studies Computer Graphic Design

Southeast College of Technology. Metairie, LA. Jan 1999

(100 Credits) Presidents List & Alpha Beta Kappa National Honor Society Inductee.

Phlebotomy Lab Tech Certification - Medical Careers Institute

Metairie, LA. Jan 1995

Small Business Management Certificate - LARMA / Retail Merchandising Academy. New Orleans, LA. Jan 1990

Solo Exhibitions

2024 - "Beautifully Wrapped Rebellion" - Black Heritage Gallery (Lake Charles, LA)

2024 - "IDAPO" Afro-Asian Fusion

ArtSpark Texas Lighthouse for the Blind (Austin, TX)

2024 - "IDAPO" Afro-Asian Fusion - PKMA Academy (San Antonio, TX)

2022 - "Visions of AfroScandic Roots"

Electric City Barn Tunnel Gallery - (Schenectady, NY)

2010 - "Faith, Trust & Belief" - The Carver Branch Library - (San Antonio, TX)

2009 - "A Kwanzaa Celebration" - Antioch Missionary Church (San Antonio, TX)

1997 - "Rebirth of the Phoenix" - The Neighborhood Gallery (New Orleans, LA)

1996 - "Deep Rivers", Women's Symposium - Southern University (New Orleans, LA)

Group Exhibitions

2024 - "The Essence of Woman"

Historical Institute of Culture & the African American Experience, (Erie, PA)

2024 - Autism Acceptance Month

Spicewoods Springs Branch Library (Austin, TX)

2023 - "Women's Art Show"

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Skills

Project Management

Analytical Thinking Skills

Problem Solving Skills

Time Management Skills

Illustrator

QuarkXPress

Photoshop

Affinity Designer

ProCreate

Typography

Proofreading

Basic Photography

Photo Restoration

Silk Screen Production

Advanced Airbrush

Merchandising, Marketing & Branding

Accounts Payable & Receivable

Heavy Cash Handling & Budgeting

Staff Supervision & Scheduling

Classroom Management

Celebrating Women's History Month, Perfect Union Art Gallery, (Ocoee, FL)

2023 - **"Black Futures" Mahogany Gallery VIP Gala & Art Exhibition (Racine, WI)**

2023 - **"Black Resistance" Orlando City Hall Terrance Gallery, (Orlando, FL)**

2023 - **"Untold Stories" Gallery 201, Brooksville City Hall (Brooksville, FL)**

2023 - Novice Museums of Arts 1st Annual Art Gala & Exhibition (Orlando, FL)

2022 - "Emergent SHE" GLH Gallery (Houston, TX)

2022 - **"ArtHeals" InterUrban/ArtHouse (Overland Park, KS)**

2022 - Revolution at the RIM: Meet the Artists (San Antonio, TX)

2022 - **"Ascension: To Rise Up". Zari Gallery (London, UK).**

2021 - **"BHM: Honour, Remember, Inspire", Zari Gallery (London, UK)**

2021 - **"Black Lives Matter: Silence Equals Violence", Pablo Center (Eau Claire, WI)**

2020 - **"BHM: Honour, Remember, Inspire", Zari Gallery (London, UK)**

2020 - "Supporting Texas Artists" Arthritis Associates (San Antonio, TX)

2020 - **"Art for the View"**

Sunnyview Rehabilitation Hospital View Point Gallery (Schenectady, NY)

2012 - Bisong Art Gallery Grand Opening (Houston, TX)

2012 - "Art & Ability" The Arc of Dallas - Granville Arts Center (Garland, TX)

2011 - "Creativity Unleashed" - Irving Black Arts Council (Irving, TX)

2010 - "100sqft: Back to Square One" - Cholmeley Boys Club, Dalston (London, UK)

2010 - "100sqft: Back to Square One" - Luna Lounge, Dalston (London, UK)

2010 - **"Arts After Dark" - Art Egg Studios (New Orleans, LA)**

2010 - "Art & Ability" The Arc of Dallas - Rotunda at Chase Tower (Dallas, TX)

2010 - "Imagine H'arts" - Guadalupe Art Dogs Gallery (Ingram, TX)

2010 - "1st Annual Southwest Art Exhibition" - EPSI Tax Service Center (San Antonio, TX)

2010 - Bent Easel Art Gallery @ Blue Star Arts Complex (San Antonio, TX)

2010 - "Mother Earth" - Gevers Street Art Studio Co-Op / Ice Fights (San Antonio, TX)

2009 & 2010 - Gevers Street Art Studio Co-Op Monthly Exhibitions (San Antonio, TX)

2009 - La Casa Rosa Gallery (San Antonio, TX)

2009 - "Eye of the Beholder" - The Carver Cultural Center (San Antonio, TX)

2009 - Grey Wolf Art Gallery (Leon Valley, TX)

2009 - "Colores en el Barrio" - Mexican American Unity Council Art Show (San Antonio, TX)

2009 - "Bling Bling Fling" - Martinez Street Women's Center (San Antonio, TX)

1997 - New Orleans Jazz & Heritage Festival (New Orleans, LA)

1997 - "Crossroads Initiative" - BAND: Black Arts National Diaspora (New Orleans, LA)

1997 - "Afrocentric Visions" - New Orleans School Board (Gretna, LA)

1997 - "Arts Initiative" - Frederick Douglass High School (New Orleans, LA)

1997 - "We've Come This Far by FAITH" - The Neighborhood Gallery (New Orleans, LA)

1996 - "Dance is Our Language & Music the Pronunciation" - The Neighborhood Gallery

(New Orleans, LA)

1996 - "Art in the House", Heritage House Restaurant (Gretna, LA)

1996 - "Friends of Rivertown", Freeport McMoRan Science Center (Kenner, LA)

Curated Exhibitions

2024 - "IDAPO" Afro-Asian Fusion - PKMA Academy (San Antonio, TX)

2013 - "Testimonies of the Underground" - Memorial Branch Library (San Antonio, TX)

2010 - "Faith, Trust & Belief" - The Carver Branch Library (San Antonio, TX)

2010 - "Girls' Visions & Voices", Studio4FM - Carver Cultural Center (San Antonio, TX)

1997 - "Rebirth of the Phoenix" - The Neighborhood Gallery (New Orleans, LA)

Publications & Media

2024 - Seguin Gazette, 2024 Art & Wine Walk, Toast to the Artist, Page 29.

2020 - Artistic Expressions Magazine, November Issue, Page 17.

2020 - Embrace the Culture Spotlight - "Ohso Art"

New Orleans Office of Cultural Economy, October Issue.

2011 - IMAGINE Arts Ministry Magazine of Imago Dei, Volume 4, Page 19.

2010 - San Antonio Talent Magazine, Page 46 & 47, July Issue.

1997 - Gulf Coast Arts Review, "Celebrating African American Artists" Jan. Cover & pg 8.

1997 - GAMBIT "Rituals, Dreams & Gender" by Eric D. Bookhardt. Sep. 23, Vol 18, #38.

1997 - Rhetoric, Rhyme & Reason, "The Art of Alisha Young" by Gwen Gibson Rhines. April/June Vol 1, #2.

1996 - Kenner Picayune Newspaper, "Expressing Herself". October 31.

Memberships

SAEAS - San Antonio Ethnic Arts Society

WCA - Women's Caucus for Art

GAVA - Gainesville Area Visual Artists

SAAC - San Antonio Artists Collective

Experience

Freelance Graphic Designer & Art Instructor - Pierce Artistries LLC, San Antonio, TX

SEPTEMBER 1997

- Company Overview: Home based studio planning, organizing and leading tasks and projects while ensuring quality of client deliverables.

- Conceive and implement new ideas for layout and design of CD covers, posters, postcards, logos, corporate identity, business cards, children's book illustration, and brochures on PC platform.
- Establish new clients while cultivating long-term relationships through personalized customer service and delivery of high quality work.
- Managed Mobile Art Ministry - ArtistiKIDS! & Creole Canvas Paint Parties. Conducting art workshops and mini art camps at various community centers, schools and churches.

2nd Grade Teacher & Afterschool Coordinator|Higgs, Carter, King, Gifted & Talented Academy, San Antonio, TX

JULY 2007 – JUNE 2008

- Planning and implementation of 'HCK Afterschool Aspirations' program and the 'Lights On' Afterschool annual open house
- Also functioned as an afterschool Tutor & Substitute Teacher, responsibilities include receipt of monthly tuition payments, and the Valero 'Birdies for Charity' fundraiser pledges - raising over 50K for the 2007-2008 academic school year
- Duties also included interviewing, evaluating, scheduling, placement and supervision of 7-10 Americorps Volunteer Members as needed on campus

KIN - Kids Involvement Network Program Director - Northeast Independent School District, San Antonio, TX

SEPTEMBER 2005 – SEPTEMBER 2006

- Direct communication with parents on daily enrichment activities and student reports.
- Supervising assistants, conducting monthly fire drills and providing a safe and fun learning environment for children after school.
- (Kinder-5th grade)

Art Instructor - My House, Inc., New Orleans, LA

AUGUST 2001 – SEPTEMBER 2005

- Lesson planning, project preparation, and instruction of hands-on, multi-cultural visual art activities for the 'CREATE' summer and after-school programs.
- Introduction of new and exciting materials and techniques that help develop problem solving skills, build confidence, and encourage creativity in children.

Art Instructor - Young Audiences, Inc., New Orleans, LA

MAY 1999 – SEPTEMBER 2005

- Lesson planning, and instruction of arts and crafts activities with emphasis placed on exploration and experimentation of various art mediums.
- (Contract Summer Camp)

Teaching Artist - KIDsmART, New Orleans, LA

DECEMBER 2004 – AUGUST 2005

- Lesson planning, and instruction of arts activities in which students experience the cultural diversity of their surroundings and take pride in their own cultural identity while gaining respect and appreciation for art based on the values, beliefs and lifestyles of others.
- (Children ages 10-15 / After School)

Adjunct Professor HTML & Web Design - Remington College, Metairie, LA

DECEMBER 2003 – APRIL 2004

- Project preparation, assignment critiques, student evaluation, grading and instruction of web page assignments using basic HTML terminology, Simple Text, Photoshop, Image Ready, Dreamweaver, PowerPoint and Internet Explorer on MAC OS platform.

- Introduction of website hierarchy, color palettes, hyperlinks, image preparation, GIF animation, image mapping, and formatted text.

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ArtWorks Store Operations Manager - Arts Council of New Orleans, New Orleans, LA

FEBRUARY 2003 — MARCH 2004

- Planning and directing day-to-day operations of the business.
- Developing strategies to drive store sales, customer service, and profitability.
- Forecasting staffing needs and assisting in recruitment and hiring.

Gallery Coordinator - Non-Pay Internship|The Neighborhood Gallery, New Orleans, LA

SEPTEMBER 1996 — SEPTEMBER 1998

Duties included art sales and presentation of artists work, curating and organizing solo as well as group exhibitions, layout & design of exhibition material, file updates on artist slides, resumes and statements, and sponsoring quarterly 'The Art of Air' basic airbrush workshops for young adults age 16 and up.

Volunteer Artist & Sign Assistant|New Orleans Jazz & Heritage Festival, New Orleans, LA

MARCH 1997 — APRIL 1997

- Volunteer Artist & Sign Assistant : YAYA, Inc. / Lionel Milton - New Orleans, LA.
- Tribute Studio, Suza Talbot: Artist Assistant / Sales - Miami, FL.
- Nubian Baby Collection, Lillian Duncan: Artist Assistant / Sales - Pasadena, CA.

Assistant Store Manager - Joan Bari Accessory Boutique, Metairie, LA

DECEMBER 1992 — DECEMBER 1993

- Develop and implement strategies to drive store sales, and profitability.
- Ensure products and displays are merchandised effectively.
- Staffing and scheduling of associates, and ensure compliance with payroll budgets.
- Actively maintain a team approach in day-to-day management of store associates.
- Meet or exceed all established sales goals.

Sales Associate & Cashier - Weiner's Department Store, New Orleans, LA

DECEMBER 1991 — DECEMBER 1993

- Department upkeep and proper presentation of merchandise.
- Separate and total charge forms, return slips, coupons, and other non-cash items.
- Count cash drawer's contents and compare totals with sales data at end of a shift.
- Balance and account for cash and credit card receipts from sales transactions.

Jewelry & Accessory Department Manager - Jean Nicole Plus, New Orleans, LA

DECEMBER 1991 — DECEMBER 1992

- Gather merchandise for transfers, debits/damages, and returns-to-vendor (RTV's).
- Oversee proper pricing of merchandise and ensure all price changes are made.
- Communicate positively with guests to establish needs efficiently and courteously.
- Oversee and participate in the preparation of merchandise displays.

Inventory Supervisor & Sales Support Associate|Macy's New Orleans Centre, New Orleans, LA

DECEMBER 1988 — DECEMBER 1991

- Balance and account for cash and credit card receipts from all sales transactions.
- Build and maintain positive working relationships with staff, clients, and customers.
- Efficiently managed all operational functions including receiving and price sets.
- Ensure proper pricing of merchandise and all price changes are made.
- Issue receipts, refunds, credits, or change due to customers.

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Grants & Awards

2024 - The Hunter Heinz Scholarship Award

2024 - Fusion Fest Featured Artist

2022 - The Hunter Heinz Scholarship Award

2020 - Conception Arts - Mini Art Grant

2010 - Puffin Foundation, LTD. - Individual Artist Grant - ArtistiKIDS! / Meet The Artist

2007 - TARGET Community Art Mini-Grant - ArtistiKIDS! / Art-A-Go-Go! Program

2006 - Louisiana Cultural Economy Foundation - Individual Visual Artist Mini-Grant

2006 - Contemporary Art Center of New Orleans - "Sweet Art New York"

Individual Visual Artist Mini-Grant

2006 - ArtHouse at the Jones Center - Emergency Relief for Artists Fund

1999 - Alpha Beta Kappa, National Honor Society - Inducted Member

1998 - The Famous Poets Society - Outstanding Achievement In Poetry

1998 - Southeast College of Technology - Superior Creativity in Image & Type Design

1996 - Rivertown - First Annual Amateur Art Show: First Place "