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EDUCATION

Junior at the University of Texas at San Antonio

Expected Graduation: Spring of 2027

Major: Mexican-American Studies

Double Minor: Civic Engagement and Public Administration and Policy

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Fresh Ink, San Antonio, TX-*Youth poetry slam organization that promotes literacy and creative writing*

June 2024-Present

- Co-facilitated a poetry workshop at Harris Middle school
- Serve as a writing captain and guide younger members with their creative writing

Internship with Dr. Carmen Tafolla-*Chicana author and first Poet Laureate of San Antonio*

June 2024-Present

- Organize archival space within Dr. Tafolla's office
- Attended Alamo Colleges' "Comida Con Cariño" event spotlighting Dr. Tafolla's newest book *Warrior Girl*

Internship with Anel Flores- *Chicana author, poet, and artist*

September 2024-Present

- Organize Flores' artwork within her Google workspace
- Attended and set up the annual "Uptown Art Stroll" hosted by Flores November 2024-2025
 - Aiding in executing book and artwork sales during the event

San Anto Cultural Arts Center (SACA)-*A grassroots nonprofit founded in 1993 with the mission to foster human and community development through community-based arts*

January 2025-present

- Lead a poetry workshop designed to inspire youth age 12-18 years old to reflect on their culture
- Served as the 2025 El Placazo Summer Intern, assisting workshop instructors and aiding in classroom management for youth programming
- Taught summer poetry workshops for youth ages 7-13 years old
- Volunteer with the youth after-school program

PUBLICATIONS

Fiesta of Words poetry magazine

Young Pegasus 98-99th Poetry Anthology

Figments of the Heart Poetry Anthology

Featured in the Spring issue of *El Placazo**

*community newspaper in collaboration with San Anto Cultural Arts Center

Front page of *El Placazo*

April 2024

May 2024-2025

August 2024

February 2025

November 2025

PERFORMANCES AND RECOGNITIONS

Queer Voices with Esperanza Peace and Justice Center

Featured Poet

June 2020-2024

La Lucha Sigue: Honoring Cesar Chavez

Featured Poet

April 2024

Talk that Sh*t: Political Poetry Slam

Featured Poet

Sep-Oct 2024

Luminaria: Fresh Ink Youth Slam Poetry

Featured Poet, won "Grand Slam Champion" title

October 2024

Empower Palooza: Empower House Radio

Featured Poet

October 2024

Community JOLT: UP Partnership

Commissioned Poet

October 2024

Dream Week: Human Rights Campaign of San Antonio

Featured Poet

January 2025

Facilitated a free poetry workshop with San Anto Cultural Arts

Teaching Artist/Instructor

January 2025

National Day of Collective Healing: Alamo Colleges

Commissioned Poet

January 2025

Transgender Visibility March: Thrive Youth Center

Featured Poet

March 2025

Poesia y Joteria

Featured Poet

June 2025

Walk Out/Speak Out Workshop: Gemini Ink/MACRI/Know Your Neighbors

Featured Poet

June 2025

Soulutions: Led by Former Poet Laureate Andrea "Vocab" Sanderson

Featured Poet

August 2025

Xicanex Symposium: Know Your Neighbors/Contemporary Museum

Featured Poet

August 2025

Thank you Xicanext: Led by Current Poet Laureate Eddie Vega

Featured Poet

September 2025

Brava Book Release: Led by poet Violeta Garza

Featured Poet

October 2025

Empower Hour Interview with Armando Estrada

Featured Poet discussing creative writing, Mexican-American Studies, and community activism

October 2025

Butterfly Brunch: Empower House Radio

Featured Poet

November 2025

WORKS SAMPLED

Where I'm From

Published in the *Fiesta of Words* Poetry Magazine

[Link](#)

These Hands

Published in the 98th *Young Pegasus Poetry Anthology* 2024

[Link](#)

One Match-A Million Voices

Performed at Luminaria 2024

[Link](#)

Unbound

Commissioned by Alamo Colleges for *National Day of Collective Healing*

[Link](#)

Crown of Knowledge

Performed at the Xicanx Symposium 2025

[Link](#)

ABCs of America

Performed at the *Talk That Sh*t* Political Poetry open mic

[Link](#)