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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

B.A. JOURNALISM
GRADUATED : MAY 2023

SKILLS

- **LANGUAGES:** Spanish (Fluent)
- **DESIGN:** Adobe Photoshop, InDesign, Illustrator, Canva, Procreate
- **TECHNICAL:** HTML, CSS, JQuery, Solidworks (CAD) Associates Certified
- **EDITING:** Audition, Premiere Pro, Trint, Microsoft Office, iOS, Outlook, Arc Publishing CMS, G Suite, Acrobat, Excel

AWARDS + ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- **PRINTED MATTER VOLUME GRANT 2023**
- **SHORT RUN COMICS FESTIVAL SPECIAL GUEST 2023**
- **IGNATZ AWARD NOMINATION** for Outstanding Mini-Comic and Outstanding Artist 2021
- **LOS ANGELES PRESS CLUB NOMINATION FOR STUDENT JOURNALISM** Any Platform: Best Arts or Entertainment News Story 2020
- **DOODLE FOR GOOGLE NATIONAL WINNER 2019**
Artwork chosen out of 200,000 entries in the nation to be displayed on Google homepage

EXPERIENCE

FREELANCE ILLUSTRATOR

AUG 2020-PRESENT

- Selected Clients: Refinery 29, New Yorker, Cartoon Network, Washington Post, LA Times
- Collaborate with art directors, editors to create illustrations and comics for editorial news stories

BUSINESS INSIDER

STORY ART FELLOW | JUNE 2023-PRESENT

- Collaborate with reporters and editors to create illustrations, photo illustrations and collages for a wide range of topics and verticals
- Handle Photoshop and Illustrator requests like cutting out images, resizing, cropping, and retouching photos
- Create unique, thoughtful, intriguing and conceptual artwork for stories and packages in fast-paced news environment
- Commission diverse illustrator options for feature stories and special projects
- Develop creative briefs based on ideas from brainstorming sessions, with direction, schedules, and deliverables for the creative team

NPR-AFFILIATED MEMBER STATION KPCC/LAIST ASSOCIATE PRODUCER | FEB 2023 - JUNE 2023

- Collaborated with radio producers and digital editors to report exciting new coverage of Los Angeles current events
- Illustrated news content (i.e. Oscars live results, live election coverage) via infographics, data visualizations, and comics to bolster audience engagement on social media channels and digital platforms.

TINY SPLENDOR, LOS ANGELES

PRINT INTERN | SEPT 2021-FEB 2023

- Operate risograph printer to print hundreds to thousands of copies of client publications (i.e. zines, booklets, etc.) while maintaining a clean and organized workspace
- Bind, staple, score, and collate client work to their stated specifications by set deadlines

EXHIBITIONS

CALIFORNIA LOVE
GROUP EXHIBITION | TORINO
FRINGE FESTIVAL (ITALY) |
DEC 2022

**THE WORLD IS LOOKING FOR
YOU**
SOLO EXHIBITION
JUNIOR HIGH L.A. | FEB 2022

RISO WEEKEND
GROUP EXHIBITION
JUNIOR HIGH L.A. | DEC
2021

TALKS/PANELS

**PIP ILLUSTRATION BRISTOL
CREATIVE WEEKEND 2022**
"INSIGHTS CORNER"

**COMICS O'CLOCK AT HEAVY
MANNERS LIBRARY 2022**
COMICS READING

BIPOC POP 2023 SYMPOSIUM
PANEL II: SCRAPPING: COMICS,
ZINES & REPARATIVE JUSTICE

COLLECTIONS

Zines archived in the following:

BARNARD ZINE LIBRARY
New York, NY | Acquired in 2021

ATHENS ZINE BIBLIOTHÈQUE
Athens, Greece | Acquired in 2021

**SAIC JOAN FLASCH ARTISTS' BOOK
COLLECTION**
Chicago, IL | Acquired in 2020

SPX Library of Congress Collection
**SPX LIBRARY of CONGRESS
COLLECTION**

Redlands, CA | Acquired in 2021

ART BOOK / ZINE FAIRS

SMALL PRESS EXPO 2023 | BETHESDA, MD

SHORT RUN SEATTLE 2023 | SEATTLE, WA

PRINTED MATTER LA ART BOOK FAIR 2023 | LA, CA

LA ZINE FEST 2023 | LA, CA

HEAVY MANNERS COMICS FAIR | LA, CA

SPRINT MILANO ART BOOK FAIR 2022 | MILAN, IT

BROOKLYN ART BOOK FAIR 2022 | BROOKLYN, NY

SHAKE BRISTOL | BRISTOL, UK

PICHE ZINE FEST 2022 | MADRID, SPAIN

GRID ZINE FEST 2022 | SALT LAKE CITY, UT