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EDUCATION:

Bachelor of Arts - College of Saint Benedict, St. Joseph, MN

May 2012

Majors: Studio Art and Spanish

GPA: 3.86/ 4.0 (Magna Cum Laude Honors)

Study Abroad: Chile, Fall 2010

Honors: Dean's List, Phi Beta Kappa, *Inspire a Shared Vision* Leadership Award; Outstanding Thesis

Scholarships: Regents'/Trustees' (Academic), Art, S. Renee Domeier (Spanish), Summer Undergraduate Research (Ringsmuth)

RELEVANT COURSEWORK:

Painting I

Latino Identity in the U.S.

Mixed Media Installation

Latin American Art and Culture

LANGUAGE SKILLS: Spanish: Proficient in reading, listening, writing, and speaking.

RELATED EXPERIENCE:

Artist Participant

January 13-24, 2014

1st International Urban Mosaic Intervention

Municipality of Puente Alto, Santiago, Chile

- Selected as one of 60 mosaic artists from around the world to contribute to a public mural
- Created a unique mosaic piece incorporating imagery of plants from Chile and Minnesota.
- Presented artwork at the international conference.

Artist in Residence

October - December 2013

Minnesota Children's Museum

- Designed and built an interactive sculptural installation, *The Nest*.
- Facilitated three days of workshops in which children ages 2-12 and their families wove pieces of fabric and string into *The Nest's* structure, creating their own cozy cocoon of interconnectivity.

Muralist

August - October 2013

Centro, Minneapolis, MN

- Co-organized the production of a 680-square-foot mural in Centro's hallway.
- Guided painting sessions for youth and elders in Centro's community.

English Teacher

March - May 2013

Instituto Chileno Norteamericano de Cultura de Valparaíso

- Taught grammar, collocations, and vocabulary to adult students in intermediate English courses.
- Created an engaging atmosphere through games and role-play, maximizing students' speaking participation.
- Directed American English Pronunciation Workshops designed specifically for Chileans.

English Tutor

November 2012 - Present

English World Group; Valparaíso, Chile

- Taught individualized prep courses for adults studying for standardized tests, including IELTS and GRE

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Director of International Relations December 2012 – Present
PlayLandis; Valparaíso, Chile

- Translated executive summaries and documents from Spanish to English
- Made formal and informal business pitches to potential investors

Graphic Designer December 2012 – Present
PlayLandis; Valparaíso, Chile

- Co-designed company logo and publicity graphics using Adobe Illustrator
- Created aesthetically pleasing Powerpoint presentations and documents

Camp Counselor January 2013
Chilean Ministry of Education – English Opens Doors; Viña del Mar, Chile

- Led high school students in activities aimed at improving English-speaking skills.
- Co-organized two camp-wide video productions: Lip Dub music video and E-News.
- Directed students in the designing and painting of a mural representing their camp.

Muralist May – September 2012
South High School, Minneapolis, MN

- Co-organized the production of a public mural with a theme inspired by the Preamble of the Constitution to the United States of America.
- Lead high school student volunteers in design-brainstorming conversations.
- Instructed students in painting techniques.

Community Muralist/Student Researcher March 2011 – April 2012
Cold Spring, MN

- Partnered with Casa Guadalupe Multicultural Community to lead summer art workshops for Latino youth (ages 5-14), introducing them to Mexican muralists and guiding them through the visualization of their own personal identities.
- Interviewed town residents in English and Spanish to create a culturally inclusive mural design representing Cold Spring history.
- Presented publicly on several occasions to garner support for the mural project.
- Conducted legal research on mural ordinances in Minnesota and secured mural site.
- Recruited painting volunteers (ages 10 and up) and directed two-month collaborative painting process (July-September).
- Engaged in discussion (in English and Spanish) with practicing muralists (in Minnesota and Chile) regarding muralism and its effect on social change.
- Wrote an Honors Thesis analyzing the social significance of the Cold Spring Mural with respect to research of muralism in Latino/Latin American Culture.
- Presented research on the Brigada Ramona Parra (BRP) and led art teachers in the production of a BRP-style mural (FACETS Art Teacher Workshop for Minnesota Public Schools, February 2012).
- Participated in Poster Session at the Minnesota State Capitol (February 2012).
- Conducted 15-minute oral presentation of the project at National Conference of Undergraduate Research (NCUR) in Ogden, UT (March 2012).

Community Volunteer March 2011
Fundación Mahatma Gandhi - Las Terrenas, Dominican Republic

- Facilitated art workshops and tutoring sessions for children ages 6-12 aimed to increase literacy and artistic expression.

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Art Class Assistant

September - November 2010

St. Peter's School, Viña del Mar, Chile

- Engaged in one-on-one encouragement and assistance for students in second and tenth grade classes.
- Pushed students to learn to *see*, to create meaningful artwork by thinking critically.

Spanish Language Intern

June – August 2010

Urban Arts Academy, Minneapolis, MN

- Taught youth ages 5–14 art-related skills at summer camps.
- Performed role of lead instructor for workshops on tin-can marionettes and spaceship installations.
- Fostered bilingual atmosphere in outreach to Spanish speaking parents, the classroom, and in the office.

Latino Community Organizing Intern

June – August 2010

Family Partnership (formerly Family and Children's Services), Mpls., MN

- Assisted in the organization of PPU Conference by recruiting workshop presenters and interpreters.

Facilitator

Summer 2010

La Conexión, Mpls., MN

- Co-hosted several bilingual Kitchen Connection events for groups of 10-20 Latino and Anglo community members.

Designer

College of Saint Benedict, St. Joseph, MN

January – May 2011/May 2010

- Created posters/publicity (e.g. monthly newsletter) for Office of Sustainability.
- Designed book cover for student's Honors Thesis in Spanish and Peace Studies:
Through Their Eyes: Experiences of Mexican Immigrants in Green Bay, Wisconsin.

Community Volunteer

San Lucas Toliman, Guatemala

February 2010

- Worked with local residents on a number of community projects including maintaining a fair trade coffee farm and building a road.
- Communicated in Spanish with local artists about their work.

Teaching Assistant

Fall 2009

Art Department, College of St. Benedict, St. Joseph, MN

- Tutored students in ceramic processes for introductory ceramics course.

EXHIBITIONS:

- *The Nest - "Creativity Jam"* Minnesota Children's Museum November – December 2013
- *"Some Art We Did"* College of Saint Benedict, St. Joseph, MN April – May 2012
- *"Senior Preview"* College of Saint Benedict, St. Joseph, MN November – December 2011
- *"Foot in the Door 4"* Minneapolis Institute of Arts, MN February – June 2011
- *"College/Collage"* Saint John's University, Collegeville, MN Juror Award December 2009 – February 2010