

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION

ARCADIA UNIVERSITY

Bachelors of Fine Art in
Photography
2019-2023

EXHIBITIONS

- First Annual Cremona Morrey Art Exhibition, – Glenside, Pennsylvania.
- Immersed, Burren College of Art – Ballyvaughan, Ireland
- Self Portrait Exhibition, Decode Gallery – Tucson, Arizona
- Creative Quarterly Issue 68, Creative Quarterly Journal – Online Exhibition
- Son of a Thesis, Judith Taylor Gallery - Glenside, Pennsylvania
- The Royal Visit, Rosedale Gallery - Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
- Senior Thesis Exhibition, Arcadia University - Glenside, Pennsylvania
- Monochromes, Millepiani - Rome, Italy
- Forgotten Places, Millepiani - Rome, Italy

ART RESIDENCIES

- Arcadia University Summer Residency, Artist-in-Residence – Glenside, Pennsylvania (2021)
- Burren College of Art, Artist-in-Residence – Ballyvaughan, Ireland (2022)

AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS

- Runner-Up, First-Annual Cremona Morrey Exhibition – Glenside, PA
- Runner-Up, Creative Quarterly Issue 68 – Online Exhibition
- 2023 Alumni Golden Disc Nominee - Arcadia University

WORK EXPERIENCE

DARKROOM TECHNICIAN

Arcadia University (2020-2023)

- Proficiently operated and maintained darkroom equipment, including enlargers, film processors, and printing machines.
- Prepared chemical solutions according to established formulas and safety guidelines.
- Instructed students in darkroom techniques, including film development, printing, and image processing, fostering their understanding of analog photography and darkroom practices.

EXHIBITION PHOTOGRAPHER

Arcadia University (2021-2023)

- Captured high-quality images of art exhibitions, gallery openings,
- Ensured excellent composition, lighting, and framing to showcase artworks and the ambiance of the exhibition space.

CONSULTANT

Monument Camera (2023)

- Developed a detailed guide outlining best practices and proper protocols for all aspects of film processing, ensuring consistency and quality in output.
- Implemented strategic changes in the workflow to enhance efficiency, reduce processing time, and minimize errors, resulting in a more streamlined and productive operation.
- Collaborated closely with the team to understand the nuances of their film processing machine and workflow.