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EDUCATION

2019 San Francisco Art Institute - BFA

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

I am trained in the Emilia Reggio approach to exploration based learning, and have worked with people of all ages and skill levels to create age appropriate, challenging, and engaging personalized learning plans, syllabi, and ongoing artistic relationships.

2013-2015 Scribbles And Giggles
Lead Drawing Instructor, Rohnert Park, CA

2017 ARTifact Studio
Summer Camp Coordinator, Corte Madre, CA

2017-2019 San Francisco Children's Art Center,
Little Masters Class, SF, CA

2017-2020 San Francisco Art Institute
Public Education, SF, CA

- Young Artist Program
- Pre-College
- Adult Community Courses

2017(-ongoing) Private Art Teacher
Bay Area, CA & Remote E-Learning

- Independently Taught Courses for Adults
- 1:1 tutoring and individually tailored courses - ALL AGES
- Teen mentorship
- Portfolio Building for College Applications
- Zoom/hybrid course friendly

2020(-ongoing) Art School LLC
Adult Community Courses, SF Bay Area, CA

CHILDCARE

RED CROSS CPR, INFANT CHOKING, & FIRST AID ✓

2013(-ongoing) Independent Nanny

- also affiliated with The Institute for Families and Nannies (aka TIFFAN)

2019(-ongoing) Substitute Preschool Activity
Coordinator at Puddle Jumper's Workshop

SKILLS

- ★ drawing/painting
- ★ comics making
- ★ analog animation (2d & 3d)
- ★ adobe (strong suit in indesign/photoshop)
- ★ zine making
- ★ independent publishing
- ★ political poster making
- ★ illustration

INTERESTS

- workshops
- artist talks
- accessible animation demos
- comics theory
- art as a mindfulness practice
- centering play in art making for adults and children alike
- critical theory
- art history
- collaboration

NOTEWORTHY COLLABORATIONS:

FREAK COMICS (Founder) 2018-ONGOING
I am 1/3 of an independent contemporary comics collective called Freak Comics. We are a small press that curates, edits, and prints anthologies and publishes personal, indie work. Freak Comics has participated in: Chicago Art Book Fair, Comics Art Brooklyn, Comics Art Los Angeles, EBABZ, SF Zine Fest, Short Run Seattle, Vancouver Art Book Fair, and more.

IAFS (Organizer, volunteer facilitator/instructor) 2020-ONGOING
IAFS is an emerging free school community, self-organizing along the principles of democracy, mutual aid, and mutual benefit to foster art and learning in the midst of SFAI's rupture, the Coronavirus Pandemic, the intensifying crisis in higher education, rapid climate change, and worldwide movements for economic and racial justice.