



## Education

Business Skills Certificate/ University of Texas / Austin, TX / 2017

BFA / Kansas City Art Institute / Kansas City, MO / 2009

## Artist-in-Residence

The Wolf Museum of Exploration and Innovation / Santa Barbara, CA / 2022

American Landmarks Apartments / Fort Worth, TX / 2021-2022

The DoSeum / San Antonio, TX / 2017-2018

The Beach Museum of Art / Manhattan, KS / 2014

Charlotte Street Foundation Urban Culture Project / Kansas City, MO / 2011-2013

## Awards

Mid-America Arts Alliance Artistic Innovations Grant / 2018

The Contemporary Austin Crit Group / Austin, TX / 2017

The Awesome Foundation / 2016

Mid-America Arts Alliance Artistic Innovations Grant / 2016

The Contemporary Austin Teen Artist + Mentor Program / Austin, TX / 2015

Ashoka Compassionate Grant / 2015

Kansas City Art Institute Staff Appreciation Award: Creative Mind / 2014

Kansas City Art Institute Staff Development Grant / 2013

Arts Through Architecture Missouri Bank Crossroads Artboard / 2013

Arts KC Inspiration Grant / 2012

Bread KC Grant / 2012

Kansas City Art Institute McKeown Special Projects Grant / 2008

Kansas City Art Institute Ceramics Department Ken Ferguson Award / 2008

## Solo Exhibitions

*Superartificial* / The Wolf Museum of Exploration and Innovation / Santa Barbara, CA/ 2022

*For Small Creatures Such As We* / Fort Worth Arts Center / Fort Worth, TX/ 2022

*A World Without Waste* / Ivester Contemporary / Austin, TX / 2021

*What a Mess* / Austin Public Library Central / Austin, TX / 2019

*Dream Tomorrow Today* / The DoSeum / San Antonio, TX / 2018

*Plastic Planet* / The Galveston Arts Center / Galveston, TX / 2017

*Plastic Planet* / Women & Their Work / Austin, TX / 2016

*Open A.I.R. Calder Kamin* / The Beach Museum of Art / Manhattan, KS / 2014

*Calder Kamin: Art Truck Artist* / Utah Museum of Contemporary Art / Salt Lake City, UT / 2013-2014

*New Nature* / Co-Lab Projects / Austin, TX / 2012

*Impact Proof* / Window Unit / Kansas City, MO / 2012

## Selected Group Exhibitions

*TBD* / Houston Center for Contemporary Craft/ Houston, TX / 2022

*Crit Group Reunion Show* / Contemporary Austin / Austin, TX / 2021

*All Fur* / Presa House Gallery / San Antonio, TX / 2021

*The Mask Show* / San Antonio Central Library / San Antonio, TX / 2020

*The Contemporary Austin Crit Group Show* / grayDuck Gallery / Austin, TX / 2017

*CraftTexas 2016* / Houston Center for Contemporary Craft / Houston, TX / 2016

*Special Blend: The Contemporary Austin Artist Teen + Mentor Program*/ Pump Project / Austin, TX / 2015

*From Mountains to Sea* / Art.Science.Gallery / Austin, TX / 2015

*The Mother Art* / Art.Science.Gallery / Austin, TX / 2015

*State of the Art* / Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art / Bentonville, AR / 2014

*Beyond Skin* / Johnson County Community Library / Overland Park, KS / 2014

*Local Earth* / City Ice Arts / Kansas City, MO / 2013

*Half Wild* / Stevens Square Center for the Arts / Minneapolis, MN / 2013

*Tamed Territory* / grayDuck Gallery / Austin, TX / 2012

*Observation/Hypothesis/Experiment* / Paragraph Gallery / Kansas City, MO / 2012

## Workshops

*Nature Never Wastes* / McNay Art Museum / San Antonio, TX / 2021  
*Neocortex Classroom* / Waterloo Greenway / Austin, TX / 2019  
*How Art Can Help Children Understand Difficult Subjects* / SXSW EDU / Austin, TX / 2019  
*Neocortex Classroom* / The DoSeum / San Antonio, TX / 2018  
*Conservation Conversation* / Visual Arts Center University of Texas / Austin, TX / 2018  
*Eco-Art Winter Camp* / The DoSeum / San Antonio, TX / 2017  
*Milstein Science Series: Amazing Amazon* / American Museum of Natural History / New York, NY / 2017  
*Hot Science Cool Talks: Friendship and Female Power in Lemurs* / University of Texas / Austin, TX / 2017  
*Neocortex Classroom: Surfriders and Turtle Island* / The Galveston Arts Center / Galveston, TX / 2017  
*Neocortex Classroom* / Women & Their Work / Austin, TX / 2016  
*Impact Proof* / Art.Science.Gallery / Austin, TX / 2015  
*Seeing Special Things* / The Contemporary Austin / Austin, TX / 2015  
*Impact Proof* / Cunningham Elementary / Austin, TX / 2015  
*Discover the Grounds* / Crystal Bridges Museum of Art / Bentonville, AR / 2014  
*The Bird Kingdom* / Crystal Bridges Museum of Art / Bentonville, AR / 2014  
*Open A.I.R.* / Beach Museum of Art / Manhattan, KS / 2014  
*Articipation Workshop* / The Kansas City Jewish Museum of Contemporary Art / Overland, Park, KS / 2013  
*Urban Bird Day* / Lakeside Nature Center / Kansas City, MO / 2012

## Teaching Experience

*The Fine Arts Internship Course* / University of Texas College of Fine Arts Career Services / Austin, TX / 2019-present  
*Tips and Tiffs Skill Building Workshops* / University of Texas Fine Arts Department / Austin, TX / 2018-present  
*Artist Career Training* / City of Austin / Austin, TX / 2018  
*BizAid Business Orientation Class* / City of Austin / Austin, TX / 2015-2017  
*Artist INC* / City of Austin / Austin, TX / 2015-2017  
*What Works Workshop* / City of Austin / Austin, TX / 2015-2017  
*Portfolio Careers for Artists* / City of Austin Small Business Program "Getting Connected" / Austin, TX / 2015  
*Professional Practice* / Kansas City Art Institute / Kansas City, MO / 2011-2014

## Lectures and Panels

*Artist Salon Series: From Artist to Activist* / Hotel Ella / Austin, TX / 2018  
*Experience is the Greatest Teacher* / University of Texas Fine Arts Department / Austin, TX / 2018  
*BossBabesATX: Finding Your Niche as Creatives and Entrepreneurs* / The Refinery / Austin, TX / 2018  
*Capital Area Master Naturalists Master Class* / Austin Nature and Science Center / Austin, TX / 2017  
*Nerd Nite: Out of the Woods and Into Our Trash* / The North Door / Austin, TX / 2016  
*Generous Art: Raising Artists* / McCullum High School / Austin, TX / 2014-2015  
*Spotlight Series: On the Road* / Kemper Museum of Contemporary Art / Kansas City, MO / 2013

## Media Coverage

*Landry Allred / This Austin Artist Transforms Trash into Detailed Animal Sculptures* / Austin Monthly / 2020  
*InTheKnow* / MSA AOL Yahoo News / 2020  
*Riverstreet Studio / Disney Channel 30th Anniversary of the Little Mermaid Trash to Treasure* / Disney Channel / 2019  
*Taylor Ellis / Austin After Hours with Calder Kamin* / CBS / 2019  
*Yvonne Dutchover / Calder Kamin Shows Us Why Waste Is Poor Design* / Shondaland / 2018  
*New Dream Tomorrow Today Exhibit at the DoSeum* / SA Live KSAT / 2018  
*Nicholas Frank / The DoSeum's Dream Tomorrow Today Encourages Creative Problem-Solving* / Rivard Report / 2018  
*An Artist Who Creates Animal Sculptures In Plastic Bags* / Naver / 2018  
*Christopher Kim / Arts In Context* / PBS / KLRU / 2017  
*King County Eco Consumer* / KOMO News / 2017  
*Tobin Levy / Medium Sans Tedium* / Tribeza / 2016  
*Jeanne Claire van Ryzin / Calder Kamin Crafts Cute Animals and Eco Messages from Plastic Bags* / Austin American Statesman / 2016  
*Jennifer Wagner Lawlor / Animals, Art, Activism: The Plastic Menagerie of Calder Kamin* / Plastic Pollution Coalition / 2016  
*Jeanne Claire van Ryzin / Respecting Urban Wildlife* / Austin American Statesman / 2015  
*Best of Kansas City Critic's Choice: Best South-Flying Artist* / The Pitch / 2014  
*Gina Kaufmann / Central Standard / 89.3 F.M.* / KCUR / 2014  
*Roger McDonough / The Run Down / 88.3 F.M.* / KCPW / 2013

## **Professional Experience**

### ***Austin Creative Reuse / Board of Directors / Austin, TX / May 2020- present***

Coordinate with Board of Directors on fundraising, committee approvals and policy implementation  
Establish artist programs and collaborate with local artists and designers on educational programs and special projects  
Assist and consult staff with online art and design gallery, artist calls, social media best practices and increase follower engagement  
Create press and media procedures for the center

### ***University of Texas College of Fine Arts / Career Services Manager and Lecturer /Austin, TX / Sep 2018- Oct 2021***

Design and implement in-house professional development tools and curriculum for students  
Plan and schedule all Fine Art Career Services events, including the visitor speaker series  
Provide one-on-one career advising and business coaching both virtually and in person to all students and alumni  
Teach and manage College of Fine Art Internship course and program  
Oversee all office communication, jobs board, Handshake and foster relationships with employers  
Handle FERPA protected information and enter student data using BOX, Canvas, UT Mainframe and UT Direct  
Train and direct staff and student assistants as needed

### ***City of Austin, Small Business Program / Artist Liaison / Austin, TX / Apr 2016-Sep 2018***

Lead on business training and coaching for creative entrepreneurs and artists  
Developed original content and curriculum for new artist focused business skill seminar: *Artist Career Training*  
Oversaw the department's Submittable account, applicant questions and coordinated program selection panel  
Collaborated with the Outreach Team on executing events, special programs and public engagement  
Assisted customers with starting a business and resources for expanding their business  
Served on the Imagine Austin Creative Economy Priority Committee  
Taught the BizAid Business Orientation Class and spoke at community events as needed

### ***City of Austin, Cultural Arts Division / Marketing and Administrative Assistant/ Austin, TX / Dec 2014 - Apr 2016***

Lead administrator and facilitator for artist entrepreneur program: *Artist INC*  
Created content for social media, department newsletter and marketing materials  
Maintained an efficient front desk and office environment

### ***Kansas City Art Institute / Director of Alumni Relations and Development / Kansas City, MO / Mar 2014 - Aug 2014***

Served as the primary contact for all alumni communication and career advising  
Developed policies, goals and procedures related to alumni relations  
Identified and cultivated alumni fundraising prospects

### ***Kansas City Art Institute / Academic and Career Advisor / Kansas City, MO / Jul 2012 - Mar 2014***

Expanded the Professional Practice curriculum and the alumni mentorship program  
Provided academic and career advising for students and recent alumni  
Coordinated the internship fair and professional development workshops  
Responsible for event promotion, department website and social media presence  
Served on the Kansas City Art Institute Community Partnership Committee

### ***Kansas City Art Institute / Career Services Assistant / Kansas City, MO / Jun 2011 - Jul 2012***

Managed and conducted the Professional Practice program  
Created an alumni mentorship program and career advice blog for students: The KCAI Case Study  
Researched and designed career resource guides

### ***Red Star Studios / Gallery Director / Kansas City, MO / Feb 2009- Dec 2012***

Curated monthly exhibitions focusing on contemporary ceramics  
Oversaw consignment inventory, daily office tasks, sales, shipping, and gallery correspondence

### ***Kansas City Art Institute Crossroads Gallery / Gallery Manager / Kansas City, MO / Aug 2009 - May 2010***

Managed and curated monthly student exhibitions