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## SUMMARY

My specialty as an interdisciplinary artist is to transform complex ideas into concise, engaging experiences. I am a self-starter with an insatiable work ethic, driven by curiosity and grounded in empathy. Detail-oriented by nature, I value both leading initiatives and collaborating as part of a team to exceed organizational goals.

## SKILLS

Animation, audio/video editing, branding, event coordination, digital marketing, filmmaking, graphic design, illustration, studio lighting, photography, printmaking, promotion, and UI/UX support.

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## EDUCATION

### Maine College of Art & Design

#### 2028 - MFA Studio Art

Documentary and experimental filmmaking, stop-motion animation, and research into art sustainability.

### University of Massachusetts Amherst

#### 2026 - BFA Art & Design, Cum laude

2D and stop-motion animation, exhibition curation, graphic design, photography, printmaking, and video art; art history minor.

## EXPERIENCE

### 2026 - 2026 | Miniatura Artchemy

#### Artist & Creative Facilitator

Worcester, MA.

Pop-up ink and watercolor instruction; miniature prints and handmade paper sales.

### 2023 - 2026 | REI Co-op

#### Sales Associate & Visual Merchandiser

Framingham, MA.

Executed product movement and maintained up-to-date visual floorsets per HQ; Culture Committee member.

### 2023 - 2025 | University Museum of Contemporary Art

#### Museum Attendant

Amherst, MA.

Visitor reception, exhibition education, monitoring works of art, and assistance during exclusive events.

### 2017 - 2020 | Hail Yourself! Metalzine

#### Creative Director & Owner

San Luis Obispo, CA.

Self-published magazine that established international distribution through paid advertising and B2B collaborations; curated branding, digital marketing, printing oversight, and podcast post-production.

### 2010 - 2016 | ProDPI

#### Digital Marketer

Denver, CO.

Remotely spearheaded B2B collaborations and increased organic traffic by 80%; provided printing consultations and traveled for industry conferences.



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## HONORS

- 2026 Best Animated Collaboration, Animation Film Festival, UMass Amherst  
Dean's Scholarship, Maine College of Art & Design, \$19,000  
MFA Grant, Maine College of Art & Design, \$4,000
- 2025 Humanities and Fine Arts Dean's List, UMass Amherst  
"All Ages", Commonwealth Honors College Creative Activity Grant, \$900  
UMass Department of Art Honorarium, the *Wall @ SAB*, \$200  
"Sea to Sky", mural collaboration, IASC Conference, \$1,000  
"La Petite Mort", Twenty-First Arts Worcester Biennial, Honorable Mention  
Annaliese Bischoff Honors Scholarship, \$1,000  
HFA Dean's Undergraduate Scholarship & Research Fund, \$1,000
- 2024 Humanities and Fine Arts Dean's List, UMass Amherst  
"Choice", Robert and Nancy Gordon Scholarship in Fine Arts, \$4,000  
Henry and Jean Hall Humanities and Fine Arts Scholarship, \$1,400
- 2023 Humanities and Fine Arts Dean's List, UMass Amherst
- 2022 Frank A. "Tony" Sprague Award in Digital Photography, \$100

## CURATORIAL

- 2025 *Illusions of Certainty*, UMass Student Union Art Gallery, Amherst, MA.

## FILMOGRAPHY

- 2026 (In production) *My University Muses*, documentary film short.
- 2025 *The Juniper Tree*, crankie box and shadow puppet show.  
*Who's Janice?*, documentary film short.  
*All Ages*, promotional trailer.  
*Space Crime*, animation collaboration.  
*Weeds*, stop-motion animation.  
*La Petite Mort*, video art.
- 2024 *Road Kill*, stop-motion animation.  
*All that we see or seem...*, stop-motion animation.
- 2020 *Easter Sunday*, film short collaboration.



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## GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2025 “Replica #5.4.86”, *Staying With The Trouble*, Eli Marsh Gallery, Amherst, MA.  
“Rebel Yell(ow)”, *Small Works*, ArtsWorcester, Worcester, MA.
- 2025 “La Petite Mort”, UMass Art Awards and Exhibition, Amherst, MA.  
*ArtsWorcester Twenty-First Biennial*, Worcester, MA.  
*OPTIC*, Hampden Gallery, Amherst, MA.
- 2024 “Choice”, *Stay, Awaken, and Make Whole*, Herter Gallery, Amherst, MA.  
UMass Art Awards and Exhibition, Amherst, MA.
- 2022 “Monochromatic,” Cuesta Exhibition, Harold J. Miozzi Art Gallery, San Luis Obispo, CA.

## INTERVIEWS

- 2025 “Art Students Create Mural for Conference with HFA Support”, UMass Amherst
- 2023 “Collecting 101 Students head to Boston”, *Boston Globe*
- 2021 “From the Underground”, Halloween Episode, *Metalicious*, Metal Devastation Radio
- 2020 “Ghouls!” Episode 1, *The Final Ghouls Podcast*

## PRESS/VENDOR ACCESS

Miniatura Artchemy

- 2026 Ironbound, QXT’s, Newark, NJ.  
Riverside Revelry Renfaire, Charles River Speedway, Boston, MA.  
Dungeon Skirmish, The Raven, Worcester, MA.

*Hail Yourself! Metalzine*

- 2019 Topeka Metal Fest, Historic Jayhawk Theater, Topeka, KS.  
Metal Swap Meet, Setting Sun Sake, San Diego, CA.  
Helsinki Deathfest, Ääniwalli, Helsinki, FI.  
Stygian Rites Festival, Kickstand Campground, Sturgis, SD.  
Northeast Dungeon Siege, The Raven, Worcester, MA.
- 2018 California Deathfest IV, Oakland Metro, Oakland, CA.  
Decibel Metal & Beer Fest, The Wiltern, Los Angeles, CA.  
Inferno Festival, Rockefeller Music Hall, Oslo, NO.  
Central Coast Craft Beer Fest, Sunken Gardens, Atascadero, CA.  
Central Coast Music Con, Tooth & Nail Winery, Paso Robles, CA.



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## PUBLICATIONS

- 2020 "Take your black metal thrashing under Mortii's' dungeon synth at The Grad," *New Times*, San Luis Obispo, CA.
- 2019 (Self) *Hail Yourself! Metalzine*, Issue 3, San Luis Obispo, CA.
- 2019 "Heshers Unite for Mid-State Metal Fest," *New Times*, San Luis Obispo, CA.
- 2018 (Self) *Hail Yourself! Metalzine*, Issue 2, San Luis Obispo, CA.  
(Self) *Hail Yourself! Metalzine*, Issue 1, San Luis Obispo, CA.

## SCREENINGS

- 2026 "Space Crime", UMass Animation Film Festival, Amherst, MA.  
"Space Crime", Five College Film Festival, Amherst, MA.
- 2025 "Weeds", UMass Animated Film Festival, Amherst, MA.  
"Who's Janice?", Moving Image Seminar, Amherst, MA.
- 2024 "Road Kill", UMass Animated Film Festival, Amherst, MA.

## SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2025 "All Ages", UMass Student Union Art Gallery, Amherst, MA.  
"Material Surrealism #1", UMass Department of Art, Amherst, MA.
- 2006 "Art & Music", Joebella Coffee Roasters, Templeton, CA.

## VOLUNTEER

- 2026 Stage Hand, Dungeon Skirmish, The Raven, Worcester, MA.
- 2025 Talent Scout, Mural Project, Hampshire Mall, Hadley, MA.
- 2024 Trail Guide, Northeast Dungeon Siege, The Raven, Worcester, MA.
- 2023 Guest Artist, Holiday Arts & Crafts, Bangs Community Center, Amherst, MA.  
Artist Liaison, Northeast Dungeon Siege, The Raven, Worcester, MA.
- 2019 Fundraiser, 40 Prado Homeless Shelter, SLO Guild Hall, San Luis Obispo, CA.