



THECOLORG

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Education

- 2020 Master of Fine Arts, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts (PAFA), Philadelphia, PA
- 2014 Bachelor of Fine Arts, Magna Cum Laude, Edinboro University of Pennsylvania, Edinboro, PA

Solo Exhibitions

- 2024 Crayola Gallery, Banana Factory Arts Center/Arts Quest, *Bear In Mind*, Bethlehem, PA
- 2023 Da Vinci Art Alliance (DVAA), Pop-up Exhibition, *MOO-D*, Philadelphia, PA

Selected Exhibitions

- 2024 Crayola Gallery, Banana Factory Arts Center/Arts Quest, *Bear In Mind*, Bethlehem, PA
- InLiquid Gallery, *beLONGING, (RE) Focus 2024*, Philadelphia, PA
- Yant Studio, *Shinrabansho*, Forest Hills, NY
- Da Vinci Art Alliance (DVAA), *Inside Out, Upside Down & Sideways*, Philadelphia, PA
- 2023 Fabric Workshop & Museum, *THECOLORG Pop-up*, Philadelphia, PA
- Gross McCleaf Gallery, *CFEVA Secret Fundraiser*, Philadelphia, PA
- Green Wave, *Project on Crisis Part II-CLIMATLOG*, Pop-up Exhibition, New York City, NYC
- Da Vinci Art Alliance (DVAA), *MOO-D*, Philadelphia, PA
- Vox Populi, *Cell Phone Library, MOO-D*, Philadelphia, PA
- Moore College of Art & Design, *Extracurricular Pursuits, Memory Bears*, Philadelphia, PA
- Da Vinci Art Alliance (DVAA), *When The Light Comes In*, Philadelphia, PA
- The Clay Studio, *Small Favors*, Philadelphia, PA
- Anne Bryan Gallery, *Insider Art, Handmade By*, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA
- 2022 Payne Gallery + Manifold Global, *Reflected Existence*, Moravian University, Bethlehem, PA
- iMPeRFECT Gallery, *Hands Off!! Women's Bodies Women's Rights*, Philadelphia, PA
- Lycoming College Art Gallery, *PRIDE*, Williamsport, PA
- Punch Projects, *Barnstorm*, Thorp, WA
- University City Arts League, *t-art magazine, Resilience*, Philadelphia, PA
- Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts Historic Landmark Building, *Insider Art VIII*, Philadelphia, PA
- Annamarie Sculpture Garden & Arts Center, *Adorned: Inspired by Fabric and Fashion*, Solomons, MD.
- 2021 Fowler-Kellogg Art Center, *CVA School of Art Exhibition*, Chautauqua, NY
- 2020 Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts Historic Landmark Building, *Annual Student Exhibition (Thesis)*, Philadelphia, PA
- Manifold Global, *Zeitgeist 2020*, online exhibition
- Wassaic Project, *Now More Than Ever*, Wassaic, NY
- Atelier FAS Gallery, *Jump Into The Fire*, Philadelphia, PA
- Clark Hill Law Offices, *Intimate Explorations*, Philadelphia, PA
- The Maas Building, 500 Artists Magazine, *The Future of Art Tour*, Philadelphia, PA
- 2019 Orion Pop-Up Gallery, *Permutations: Threads of Momentum*, Philadelphia, PA
- Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Anne Bryan Gallery, *Reflections*, Philadelphia, PA
- Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, *Secret Haunts*, Philadelphia, PA

- Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Gallery 8, *Divergent Directions*, Philadelphia, PA
 Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Broad Street Studio, *SoulPuff*, Philadelphia, PA
 Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Anne Bryan Gallery, *Small Scale Big Color*, Philadelphia, PA
 Cherry Street Pier: The Garage, *Homage to the Kid in Me*, Philadelphia, PA
 2018 Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Gallery 8, *Hot and Cold*, Philadelphia, PA
 Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Gallery 8, *Freedom on a SeeSaw*, Philadelphia, PA
 Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Gallery 8, *Texture*, Philadelphia, PA
 Central Pennsylvania Festival of the Arts, *Images 2018*, State College, PA
 Blick Art Materials, *Heatwave*, Pittsburgh, PA
 The Schoolhouse Arts Center, *It's Been Real*, Bethel Park, PA
 Westin Convention Center, *Art for Change* (auction for PERSAD Center), Pittsburgh, PA
 2017 Point Park University – Tomayko Gallery, *The Color of Being* (curated by Jenn Melvin), Pittsburgh, PA
 Fusion Atelier, *The Dynamic Duo*, Brookville, PA
 Radiant Hall, *5 Year Anniversary Exhibition*, Pittsburgh, PA
 The Brew House Association, *Electric Kool-Aid*, Pittsburgh, PA
 Blick Art Materials, *Artist of the Month*, Pittsburgh, PA
 Framehouse & Jask Gallery, *Speak for Yourself*, Pittsburgh, PA
 Fusion Atelier, *Artist Corner*, Brookville, PA

Grants | Awards | Scholarships (2018-Present)

- 2024 Bishoff Inn, Artist Scholarship, Micro-Residency, Tamaqua, PA
 2022 The Puffin Foundation, Artist Grant to fund project *MOO-D*, Teaneck, NJ
 Wind Fellowship Nomination, InLiquid, Philadelphia, PA
 Annmarie Sculpture Garden & Arts Center – In Association with the Smithsonian Institution, Funded Residency Offer, Solomons, MD
 2021 Chautauqua Institution, Chautauqua School of Art Residency Program, Full Scholarship, Chautauqua, NY
 MASS MoCA, Studios at MASS MoCA Artist Residency, PAFA Fellowship, North Adams, MA.
 2019 Dedalus Foundation Fellowship Nomination, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA
 2018 MFA Artistic Excellence Scholarship, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA

Residencies

- 2024 Bishoff Inn, Micro-Residency, Tamaqua, PA
 Center of Gravity, Artist Residency, North Adams, MA
 2023 Tend Residency at The Walkaway House, North Adams, MA
 2021 MASS MoCA, Studios at MASS MoCA Artist Residency, North Adams, MA
 Chautauqua Institution, Chautauqua School of Art Residency Program, Chautauqua, NY

Press | Publications | Interviews (2016-Present)

- 2024 Sparber, Pete. The Current, February 22nd, 2024,
www.instagram.com/p/C3p1sEbuPF9/?igsh=aTRtYtIsbDBpenVk&img_index=1
- Gamiz, April. "Bear In Mind opens at The Banana Factory." The Morning Call, January 30th, 2024,
<https://www.mcall.com/2024/01/30/bear-in-mind-opens-at-the-banana-factory-photos/>
- LoConte, Jennifer. "ArtsQuest's Newest Interactive And Sensory Friendly Art Exhibit, Bear In Mind, Opening At The Banana Factory." The Valley Ledger, January 26th, 2024,
<https://www.thevalleyledger.com/?p=126819>
- Lehigh Valley Happenings. "Bear In Mind." Lehigh Valley News, February 5th, 2024,
www.lehighvalleynews.com/community-calendar/#!/details/Bear-In-Mind/13048069/2024-02-05T00
- "Bear In Mind | THECOLORG." Banana Factory Arts Center Current Exhibitions, January 26th, 2024.
<https://www.bananafactory.org/event/15658/bear-in-mind--thecolorg/>

DiMarco, Christa R. "Elusive Meaning & Precarious Boundaries in beLONGING." InLiquid Magazine, February 7th, 2024. <https://www.inliquid.org/magazine/elusive-meaning-precarious-boundaries-in-belonging>

Compendio, Chris. "New art installation at North Philly's InLiquid Gallery explores queer identities." Philly Voice, December 29th, 2023. <https://www.phillyvoice.com/art-installation-belonging-inliquid-gallery-lgbtqia-identity-refocus/>

Given, Molly. "InLiquid Gallery opens 'beLONGING' in celebration of past impactful exhibit." Metro Philadelphia, January 3rd, 2024. <https://metrophiladelphia.com/inliquid-gallery-belonging/>

- 2023 Green Wave, 2023 United Nations Climate Change Conference, Project on Crisis, Artist Interview, Dubai
- 2022 Stories From PAFA, Ash Garner (MFA '20) Uses Mass MoCA Residency to Challenge Perceptions, online article, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA
- 2021 Artist Residency Panel Discussion, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA
- 2020 Delach, Mel, Ashley Garner '20: Expanding Creative Horizons, interview and online article, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, 17 April 2020.
Pafa Pours – A Toast to the ASE, interview and discussion, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2019 Yarsinsky, Adam, Ashley Garner | TheColorG- interview and online feature, 500 Artists Magazine/Downtown 500, 23 October 2019.
- 2017 Ashley Garner, Studio Visit Magazine, Open Studios Press, 2017-2018 Winter Issue
AAP New Members Exhibition "Speak For Yourself", The Pittsburgh City Paper, 6 September 2017.
- 2016 After Happy Hour Review, Issue 6-Fall 2016, Pittsburgh, PA, 17 November 2016.
After Happy Hour Review, Issue 5-Spring 2016, Pittsburgh, PA, 18 May 2016.
The Downtowner, Pittsburgh, PA, Spring 2016.

Curatorial Experience

- 2022 Co-Curator, *5into1*, Annual Juried Exhibition, Philadelphia Sculptors, Philadelphia, PA
- 2020 Co-Curator, Operating System (online Platform), [Alternatives '20: Art House](#)
Co-Curator, Atelier FAS Gallery, *Jump Into The Fire*, Philadelphia, PA
Co-Curator, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Gallery 8, *Intuitive Play*, Philadelphia, PA
- 2019 Co-Curator, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Anne Bryan Gallery, *Shape*, Philadelphia, PA
Co-Curator, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, *Daydream*, Philadelphia, PA
Co-Curator, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, *Summer Love*, Philadelphia, PA
Co-Curator, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, *Secret Haunts*, Philadelphia, PA

Workshops | Artist Talks

- 2024 Artist Talk, Bear In Mind, Banana Factory + ArtsQuest, Bethlehem, PA
Artist Talk, Materials in Art, Yant Studio, Forest Hills, NY
Memory Bear Making Workshop, Moore College of Art & Design, Philadelphia, PA
Memory Bear Making Workshop, Everyday Futures Fest, Da Vinci Art Alliance, Philadelphia, PA
Memory Bear Making Workshop, Yant Studio, Forest Hills, NY
Bear Making Workshop, Bear in Mind, Banana Factory + ArtsQuest, Bethlehem, PA
- 2023 Visiting Artist Talk, University of Guam, Mangilao, Guam
Memory Bear Making Workshop, CosciaMoos, Philadelphia, PA
Memory Bear Making Workshop, Moore College of Art & Design, Philadelphia, PA
- 2022 WORK+SHOP+WORK, Payne Gallery, Moravian University, Bethlehem, PA
Personal Trophy making and short voluntary performance with THECOLORG.

Project Collaboration

- 2023 PAFAXTHECOLORG, PAFA Museum Store, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA
Custom Limited Edition Teddy Bear

Professional Experience (Selected 2017-Present)

- 2023 Program Coordinator of Continuing Education, Moore College of Art & Design, Philadelphia, PA
Exhibitions Committee Member, Da Vinci Art Alliance (DVAA), Philadelphia, PA
- 2022 The Fabric Workshop and Museum, Exhibitions Department, Philadelphia, PA
Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Museum Assistant, Philadelphia, PA
- 2021 Artist Assistant to Kris Rumman, Chautauqua, NY
Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Museum Assistant, Philadelphia, PA
The Center for Emerging Visual Artists, Intern, Philadelphia, PA
- 2020 Project Manager, Operating System Exhibitions, online exhibition platform
Gallery 8 Manager/Curatorial Lead, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA
PAFA ASE Committee, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA
Student Exhibitions Committee, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA
Student Activities Committee, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA
Teaching Assistant, PAFA After School Program, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA
Spillway Collective member, Philadelphia, PA
- 2019 Student Exhibitions Committee, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA
Student Activities Committee, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA
PAFA Fourth Wall Representative, Assistant to Eileen Neff, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts. Philadelphia, PA
Teaching Assistant for Neysa Grassi, Painting in the Dark, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA
Teaching Assistant, PAFA After School Program, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA
Gallery 8 Interim Curator, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA
PAFA Orientation Leader, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA
Radiant Hall Alumni, Pittsburgh, PA
- 2018 Painting Instructor, South Arts, Pittsburgh, PA
Associated Artists of Pittsburgh (AAP), Pittsburgh, PA
Greater Pittsburgh Arts Council, Pittsburgh, PA
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Radiant Hall Alumni, Pittsburgh, PA
- 2017 Painting Instructor, South Arts, Pittsburgh, PA
Associated Artists of Pittsburgh (AAP), Pittsburgh, PA
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