ALYSSA GRAHAM

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EDUCATION

College for Creative Studies Bachelors of Fine Arts | 2020 Craft Material Studies Art Education President's List, Dean's List

Washtenaw Community College

Associates in Applied Science | 2020 Automotive Technology Phi Theta Kappa Honors Graduate

SKILLS

Technical

- Fabrication
- Prototyping
- Machining
- Mold making, Sculpting
- Glaze Formulation
- Exhibition Curator

Applications

- Adobe Creative Suite
- Microsoft Office
- Rhino
- Social Media

EXPERIENCE

Northern Lights Lounge | Server

Detroit, MI | Jan 2020 - Current

Provided Food and Beverage service in a timely and courteous manner, while performing food preparation and cleaning in accordance with ServSafe standards. Upsold items using excellent customer service, memorization of menus, and POS operation. Successfully handled large amounts of money in a dynamic and fast paced environment.

Ascena Retail Group | Keyholder-Personal Stylist

Detroit, MI | Jul 2018 - Dec 2019

Welcomed customers, providing outstanding customer service to aid in styling, and sales. Ensured dressing rooms were kept in an orderly manner, maintained visually appealing floor sets, and properly closed/ opened the store. Operated POS, completed ecommerce order fulfillment, processed transactions, and managed calls during high volume times.

College for Creative Studies | Teaching Assistant

Detroit, MI | Jun 2019 - Aug 2019

Independently supervised classes up to 25 students, ages 8-17; during arrival and dismissal, mealtimes, outdoors, and on field trips. Traveled to various locations from Detroit to Plymouth. Managed supplies for each student, and submitted weekly reports and timesheets. Assisted students in groups and one on one to provide extra support. Well versed in successfully dealing with conflict or behavioral issues, quickly and effectively.

Maple Manor Rehab Center | Dietary Aide

Novi, MI | Feb 2017 - Aug 2017

Coordinated with Nurses and CNAs to provide appropriate one on one care to patients, fulfilling individual dietary requirements and adhering to safety procedures. Maintained a clean work environment while preparing food, distributing meals to patients, taking orders, and busing the dining space. Provided exceptional hospitality that extended to patient's families

RECOGNITION

Honors and Awards

- 2021 Art Education Grant College for Creative Studies
- 2021 Best in Show MEAE Art Acquisitions
- 2021 Academic Scholarship, 4yr College for Creative Studies
- 2017 Emerging Artist Award, 2x GOT Art Exhibition
- 2016 Exceptional Artist Award Brighton High School
- 2016 Education Scholarship Ronni Powers Memorial Fund

Exhibitions and Publications

2021 57th Annual MAEA Art

- Acquisitions Purchase Awards Juried by Tinola Mayfield-Guerro
- 2020 MCAA Biennial Michigan Ceramics

Juried by Malcolm Mobutu Smith

2020 College for Creative Studies Student Exhibit

2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 2018 Digital Exhibition in Student Hub

College for Creative Studies

2018 38Th Detroit International

Wine Auction Publication

2018 North American International Auto Show

Publication

- 2017 U245 Freshmeat Exhibition
- 2016 GOT Art Exhibition
- 2016 Hometown Bicycles Exhibition

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University Prep Art and Design | Student Teacher

Detroit, MI | 9-12 | 2021

Designed and implemented digital arts coursework to fit curriculum standards in studio classes, used visual aids and technology to ensure engaging virtual class sessions. Provided one on one support via breakout rooms, accommodating all students, utilizing culturally responsive teaching, and restorative practices to connect with students.

Riley Upper Elementary | Student Teacher

Livonia, MI | k-6 | 2021

Created age-appropriate tactile group lesson plans, while implementing social distancing and choice base learning. Developed summative and formative assessment using reflective teaching practices. Installed several collaborative group projects to increase positive moral in the school community, including kinetic sculpture, and textile artworks. Curated an end of year student exhibit (artsteps) in a virtual space, for parents and teachers to view

Service Learning Project | Teaching Assistant

Detroit, MI | ages 8-17 | 2019

Teaching Assistant, helped with classroom management and assisted teachers with daily needs. Age groups were 8–10, 11–13, and 14+.

Wing Lake Developmental Center | Workshop

Bloomfield Hills, MI | ages 3-26 | 2018 Created and executed a lesson plan to benefit students with multiple developmental disabilities. All ages.

CCS Collab Club | Workshop

Detroit, MI | Post-Secondary | 2018 Demonstrated the use of wet erosion and surfacing techniques on slipcast clay, used stencils designed and cut with a Cricut