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SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2024 ***Tangible Secrets***, Ruth Davis Design Gallery, Madison, WI
- 2022 ***In Touch***, Art & Literature Laboratory, Madison, WI
- 2021 ***Lost In Translation***, Gallery 7, Madison, WI

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2025 ***46th Annual Contemporary Craft Exhibition***, Juried, Mesa Contemporary Arts Museum, Mesa, AZ
Small Works Exhibition, Juried, Gallery 906, Wilmington, NC
Basketry Now 2025, Juried, Textile Center, Minneapolis, MN
- 2024 ***From Fiber to Hand***, Textile Arts Center, Madison, WI
- 2023 ***Adapt, Adjust, Amend***, Art Lofts Gallery, Madison, WI
A Common Thread, School of Education Gallery, Madison, WI
Between Memory, Commonwealth Gallery, Madison, WI
- 2022 ***Material Concerns***, Art Lofts Gallery, Madison, WI
- 2021 ***TYPE Portrait – Tangible TYPE***, Milwaukee Institute of Art & Design, Milwaukee, WI
Payless Art Show, Payless, Milwaukee, WI
- 2020 ***Table Flip***, Gallery 7, Madison, WI

FELLOWSHIPS & RESIDENCIES

- 2026 ***Visiting Collective Residency (forthcoming)***, Penland School of Craft, Bakersville, NC
MAD Artist Residency (current), Museum of Arts and Design, New York, NY
National Artist-in-Residence, Contemporary Craft, Pittsburgh, PA
- 2025 ***Open Studio Residency***, Haystack Mountain School of Crafts, Deer Isle, ME
- 2017 ***Windgate-Lamar Fellowship***, The Center for Craft, Asheville, NC

AWARDS, SCHOLARSHIPS, & GRANTS

- 2025 DEI Scholarship, Snow Farm, Williamsburg, MA
- 2024 Excellence in Graduate Student Teaching Award, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, WI
PhD Dissertation/MS Thesis/MFA Project Award, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, WI
- 2023 Creative Arts Award, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, WI
Robin A. Douthitt Graduate Teaching Award, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, WI
Summer Time Academic Research (STAR) Award, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, WI
Tools of the Trade Scholarship, CraftNOW Philadelphia and NextFab, Philadelphia, PA
- 2022 Caxton Club Grant, Caxton Club, Chicago, IL

- 2021 ALL Prize, Art & Literature Laboratory, Madison, WI
- 2020 School of Education Bridge to Success Scholarship, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, WI
- 2019 Dr. Judith Temple Scholarship, Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts, Gatlinburg, TN
 Technical Assistant Scholarship, Haystack Mountain School of Crafts, Deer Isle, ME
 UW-Madison Graduate School Fellowship, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, WI
- 2018 Work Study Scholarship, Haystack Mountain School of Crafts, Deer Isle, ME
 Friends of Arrowmont Tuition Scholarship, Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts, Gatlinburg, TN
- 2017 NICHE Awards Finalist, NICHE Magazine
 Craft/Material Studies Award of Distinction, Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA

SELECTED WORKSHOPS

- 2027 **Instructor (*forthcoming*)**, Haystack Mountain School of Crafts, Deer Isle, ME
- 2026 **Instructor (*forthcoming*)**, James Joo-Jin Kim Center + Korean Cultural Center
 Washington, D.C., University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA
 Artist Lecture & Joomchi Workshop
Instructor, Korean Cultural Center, Washington, D.C.
 Artist Lecture & Joomchi Workshop
Instructor, “Joomchi: Creating Textured Paper”, Contemporary Craft, Pittsburgh, PA
- 2025 **Instructor**, University of Vermont, Burlington, VT
 Artist Lecture & Jiseung Workshop, *Department of Community Development & Applied Economics*
- 2024 **Instructor**, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, WI
 Joomchi Lecture & Workshop, *Design Studies Department*
Instructor, Zó Project, Da Bac, Vietnam
 Joomchi Workshop, *Community workshop at Da Bac's Sung Village with the Dao Tien ethnic village*
- 2022 **Instructor**, Art & Literature Laboratory, Madison, WI
 Joomchi Workshop, *Summer Art Camp for young students years 6-10*

UNIVERSITY TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, WI

- 2023 – 2024 **Instructor of Record**
 DS150: *Pixels and Pencils*, Design Studies Department (Spring 24')
Graduate Teaching Fellow
 DS101: *Introduction to Textiles*, Design Studies Department (Fall 23')
- 2022 – 2023 **Instructor of Record**
 DS150: *Pixels and Pencils*, Design Studies Department (Spring 23')
Graduate Teaching Assistant
 DS120: *Design Fundamentals I*, Design Studies Department (Fall 22')
- 2020 – 2021 **Graduate Teaching Assistant**
 ART338: *Service Learning in Arts*, Art Department (Fall 20', Spring 21')
Graduate Teaching Assistant
 DS220: *Design Fundamentals II*, Design Studies Department (Spring 21')
 DS120: *Design Fundamentals I*, Design Studies Department (Fall 20')
- 2019 – 2020 **Graduate Teaching Assistant**
 DS120: *Design Fundamentals I*, Design Studies Department (Fall 19', Spring 20')

Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA

2016 **Undergraduate Teaching Assistant**, Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA
Assistant to Heather McCalla

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2025 – Present **Draftsman + Technical Designer**, Stand and Build, New York, NY
2025 **Freelance Fabricator**, David Reina Designs, New York, NY
 Intern, Hand Papermaking Inc.
 Teaching Assistant, Dieu Donné, Brooklyn, New York
 Paper Institute, with Alejandra Arias Sevilla, Lee Running, and Nazanin Noroozi
 Teaching Assistant, Instructor Veronica Pham, Penland School of Craft, Bakersville, NC
2021 – 2022 **Graduate Project Assistant (PA)**, Project Assistant to Professor Anna Campbell, University
 of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, WI
 Graduate Teaching Assistant-Instructional Support, Art Departmental Woodshop
 Supervisor, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, WI
2019 **Technical Assistant**, Instructor Heath Matysek-Snyder, Haystack Mountain School of
 Crafts, Deer Isle, ME
2016 **Graduate MFA Thesis Assistant**, Alicia Dietz, Richmond, VA
2015 - 2017 **VCU Woodshop Monitor**, Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA

SELECTED LECTURES & PRESENTATIONS

2026 **Artist Lecture (*forthcoming*)**, James Joo-Jin Kim Center, University of Pennsylvania,
 Philadelphia, PA
 Artist Lecture, “*Exploring Hanji and Joomchi Crafts*,” Korean Cultural Center, Washington,
 D.C.
2025 **Visiting Artist Lecture**, “*Inherited Hands: Paper at Play*,” University of Vermont,
 Burlington, VT
2019 **Artist Talk-Technical Assistant**, Haystack Mountain School of Crafts, Deer Isle, ME
2018 **Visiting Artist Lecture**, Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA
2017 **Visiting Artist Lecture**, Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA

EDUCATION

2024 **University of Wisconsin-Madison**, Madison, WI
 M.F.A in Design Studies; concentration in Papermaking + Textiles (2024)
 M.F.A in Art; concentration in Woodworking + Furniture Design (2022)
 M.A. in Art (2021)
2017 **Virginia Commonwealth University**, Richmond, VA
 B.F.A. in Craft and Material Studies; concentration in Woodworking + Furniture Design
 B.F.A. in Interior Design