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### EDUCATION

2024 Ph.D. Philosophy, Art Theory & Aesthetics, Institute for Doctoral Studies in the Visual Arts (IDSVA), Portland, ME  
2009 M.A. Community Arts, Maryland Institute College of Art (MICA), Baltimore, MD  
2007 B.A. Fine Arts, Morgan State University, Baltimore, MD  
2003 B.S. Electronics Technology, N.C. Agricultural & Technical University, Greensboro, NC

### GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2026 *Threaded*, Red Emma, Baltimore, MD  
2026 *FAT/PHAT*, City Lights Gallery, Bridgeport, CT  
2026 *The Veterans Experience Through Art*, McCord Gallery & Cultural Center, Palos Park, IL  
2026 *SAVAGE*, Band of Vices, Los Angeles, CA  
2026 *Kindred Visions*, Arts Council of Fayetteville, NC  
2025 *Exposed 2025*, Exhibizone, Ontario, Canada  
2025 *Illuminating the Holidays*, Tamar Hendl Gallery, Silver Spring, MD  
2025 *Vanishing Landscapes*, Dorchester Center for the Arts, Dorchester, MD  
2025 *Alumni Exhibition*, Fox Gallery, Maryland Institute College of Art, Baltimore, MD  
2025 *Transform*, Wide Angle Youth Media, Baltimore, MD  
2025 *The People's Agenda: Resistance, Resilience, and RESToration*, Baltimore, MD  
2025 *Collective Glow*, Compass Art Center, Kensington, MD  
2025 *Mothering as a Work of Art II*, Jubilee Arts, Baltimore, MD  
2025 *Reflections*, Jubilee Arts, Baltimore, MD  
2025 *Freddie Commemoration Exhibit*, Jubilee Arts, Baltimore, MD  
2025 *Repair: The Artist-Philosopher in Practice Exhibition*, David DuPuy Studios, New York, NY  
2025 *Extinguish*, Southside Contemporary Art Gallery, Richmond, VA  
2025 *Simply Blacktastic*, Sebrof-Forbes Cultural Arts Center, Kensington, MD  
2025 *Mothering as a Work of Art Pop-Up Exhibition*, McDaneil College, Westminster, MD  
2024 *Light Shines Bright*, Stone Broke Bread & Books, Gardiner, ME  
2024 *The 21st Annual Arts in Health Exhibit*, Walter Reed Hospital, Bethesda, MD  
2024 *CEEJH Environmental Justice Social Art & Culture Exhibition*, University of MD, College Park, MD  
2024 *Mothering as a Work of Art Pop-Up Exhibition*, Red Emma's Bookstore, Baltimore, MD  
2024 *Ray of Hope*, Sankofa Children's Museum of African Cultures, Baltimore, MD  
2024 *Praxis and the Artist Philosopher*, Amos Eno Gallery, Brooklyn, NY  
2023 *Sacred Ground*, Dadian Gallery, Wesley Theological Seminary, Washington, DC  
2023 *MICA Faculty Exhibition*, Meyerhoff Gallery, Maryland Institute College of Art, Baltimore, MD  
2023 *CLA/SCMNS Faculty-Alumni Art Exhibition*, Morgan State University, Baltimore, MD  
2023 *Don't 'Drag' Me Down: Today's Battle for Liberation*, The Koehline Museum of Art, Oakton Community College, Des Plaines, IL  
2023 *Art and Spirituality*, Gormley Gallery, Notre Dame of Maryland University, Baltimore, MD  
2023 *Maxgallery, Loud-N-Clear*, inFusion, Baltimore, MD  
2022 *See Through Me*, West Virginia Wesleyan College, Buckhannon, WV  
2022 *Black History Month Community Gathering*, MICA, Baltimore, MD  
2021 *How We Are Healing*, Keswick Wise & Well Center, Baltimore, MD  
2021 *Bad@ssery: Women Creating a Just Environment and World*, The Koehline Museum of Art Oakton Community College, Des Plaines, IL

## **GROUP EXHIBITIONS CONTINUED**

2021 *Digital Art Exhibition*, OCA MOCHA, Arbutus, MD  
2021 *Mother's Day Pop-Up Shop*, Reginald F. Lewis Museum, Baltimore, MD  
2021 *Busboys and Poets*, Baltimore, MD  
2020 *Catonsville Clubhouse*, Catonsville, MD  
2019 *East Baltimore: Her Artist & Her People We Love*, MICA Place, Baltimore, MD  
2017 *People We Love*, MICA Place, Baltimore, MD  
2013-15 *National Arts Program*, City Hall, Philadelphia, PA  
2012 *Women: An Exhibition*, D: Center, Baltimore, MD  
2012 *100 Days of Art*, Bromo Seltzer Arts Tower, Baltimore, MD  
2012 *Guess Who's Coming to Dinner*, Bromo Seltzer Arts Tower, Baltimore, MD  
2011 *Out Into the World*, Study Abroad Exhibition, MICA, Baltimore, MD  
2011 *Over Our Borders*, Bohemian Coffee House Exhibition, Baltimore, MD  
2010 *Reflections*, Jubilee Arts, Baltimore, MD  
2010 *In This, I Believe*, MICA, Baltimore, MD  
2009 *Dedication Exhibition*, Jubilee Arts, Baltimore, MD  
2009 *Thesis Show*, MICA, Baltimore, MD  
2009 *Senator Verna Jones Exhibition*, Miller Senate Office Building, Annapolis, MD  
2008 *Winter Thesis Exhibition*, MICA, Baltimore, MD  
2008 *Joint Personnel Depot 9/11 Dedication Ceremony*, Aberdeen Proving Ground, MD  
2008 *Summer Reflections*, MICA, Baltimore, MD

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

2025 Interim Program Director, Jubilee Arts, Baltimore, MD  
2024 Poster Design, Visiting Art Facilitator, Emerson Contemporary, Boston, MA  
2024 Mini-Artist Residency, Indigo Arts Alliance, Portland, ME  
2023 Adjunct Professor, Morgan State University, Baltimore, MD  
2022 *Beauty of Self-Reflection (AIR)*, International Studies & Cultural Exchange, The Gambia, Africa  
2019-Present Art Teacher, Hampden Christian School, Baltimore, MD  
2019 Community Arts Muralist, The Mission Continues, Baltimore, MD  
2019-20 Art Teacher, Open Works, Baltimore, MD  
2019-20 Youth and Family Coordinator, Open Works, Baltimore, MD  
2019 Interim Program Director, Jubilee Arts, Baltimore, MD  
2019-22 Adjunct Professor, Maryland Institute College of Art, Baltimore, MD  
2018 Interim Education Manager, Open Works, Baltimore, MD  
2016 Workshop: *Classroom Management*, Ecuador Professional Preparation Program, Quito, Ecuador  
2011 Lecturer, Morgan State University, Baltimore, MD  
2010 International Community Arts Practitioner: *Art of Solidarity*, MICA, Estelí, Nicaragua  
2010 Art Instructor, Community College of Baltimore County, Catonsville, MD  
2008-10 Art Teacher, Art on Purpose, AFYA Middle School, Baltimore, MD  
2008-10 Community Arts Program Coordinator, Jubilee Arts, Baltimore, MD  
2008 Summer Camp Art Instructor, Franciscan Youth Center, Baltimore, MD  
2008 English Tutor, Community Preservation & Development Corporation (CPDC), Edgewood, MD  
2007-08 Photographer, Joint Personnel Effects Depot, Aberdeen Proving Ground, MD  
2006 Teaching Assistant, Young Audiences of Maryland (ACCE High School), Baltimore, MD  
2004-17 Teacher/Youth Supervisor, Freestate Challenge Academy, APG Edgewood, MD  
2002-08 Maryland Army National Guard, Havre de Grace, MD

## **PRESENTATIONS/CONFERENCES (ARTIST-PHILOSOPHER)**

2025 *Barnet Scholars Lecture: David C. Driskell and the Legacy of Mentorship*, Portland Museum of Art, Portland, ME  
2025 *Black Artistic Thought and the Art of Freedom*, Stevenson University, Owings Mills, MD  
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2025 *Black Artistic Thought and the Art of Freedom*, Georgia Southern University, Savannah, GA  
2025 *Voices + Visions*, Artist Talk, Indigo Arts Alliance, Portland, ME  
2024 *A Toast to an Ethos of Care*, Performance, Wyndham Garden Chinatown, New York, NY  
2023 *Hip-Hop Conference*, Presenter, Howard University, Washington, D.C.  
2023 *Art Talk Tuesdays*, Presentation, Busboys and Poets Art, Baltimore, MD  
2023 *Archival Silent Noise Conference*, Towson University, Towson, MD  
2022 *See Through Me*, Performance, West Virginia Wesleyan College, Buckhannon, WV  
2022 *Mothering as a Work of Art*, Conference, SECAC, Baltimore, MD  
2022 *Joshua Johnson Council*, Presentation, Baltimore Museum of Art, Baltimore, MD  
2021 *How We Are Healing*, Panelist, Keswick Wise & Well Center, Baltimore, MD  
2021 *Art School Pedagogy 2.0*, Conference, Teachers College, Columbia University, New York, NY  
2021 *Summer Lunch and Learn Speaker*, Presenter, Wide Angle Youth Media, Baltimore, MD

## **AWARDS AND HONORS**

2026 *Commissioned Artist* (Label Design), Black Girl Vitamins, Chicago, IL  
2026 SAVAGE Finalist, art|melanated, Los Angeles, CA  
2024 *Commissioned Artist* (Holiday Cards), Indigo Arts Alliance, Portland, ME  
2024 Maryland State Arts Council Grant Recipient, Baltimore, MD  
2024 *David C. Driskell 2024 Fellowship*, Indigo Arts Alliance, Portland, ME  
2022 *Bosch Travel Award*, SECAC, Wilmington, DE  
2021 *Women's Jewelry Association Veterans Grant*, New York, NY  
2020 Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Recipient, SECAC, Wilmington, DE  
2020 *Re A Thusana Scholarship*, Baltimore County Artist Guild, Catonsville, MD  
2020-23 Scholarship Recipient, Senatorial Scholarship, Baltimore, MD  
2019 Scholarship Recipient, Institute of Doctoral Studies in the Visual Arts, Portland, ME  
2015 *Honorable Mention*, National Arts Program, City Hall, Philadelphia, PA  
2013 *Graphic Design USA In-House Design Award*, Morgan State University, Baltimore, MD  
2009 *1st Place in the National Arts Program*, Philadelphia, PA

## **COLLABORATIVE PROJECTS**

2023 *Mothering As A Work of Art*, Eutaw-Mashburn Elementary, Baltimore, MD  
2021 MAMA2MAMA Workshops, Selah: Mind, Body, Spirit, Online Platform  
2015 Black Lives Matter, Morgan State University, Baltimore, MD  
2013 *Picturing Us*, Morgan State University, Baltimore, MD  
2013 *Scattered to the Wind*, W/ Maya Freelon, Bromo Seltzer Arts Tower, Baltimore, MD

## **PUBLISHED**

2025 *Northern New England Review*, Vol 45, Franklin Pierce University, (Artwork)  
2024 *Mothering as a Work of Art*, Dr. Lyneia Richardson, Self-published (Contributor)  
2023 *Black Artistic Thought and the Art of Freedom*, The Journal of Visual Inquiry: Learning and Teaching Art (Article)  
2022 *Heart Beating Beneath the Earth*, Jann Rosen-Queralt, Self-published (Contributor)  
2013 *AIGA Student Group 10th Anniversary Commemorative Booklet*, Joseph Ford (Artwork)

**PUBLISHED CONTINUED**

2009 *The Face Book*, Jenna Frye and Chris Metzger (Artwork)