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Visual Artist & Teacher
Dedicated to the arts education of young children

Summary of Qualifications

An enthusiastic, caring artist and educator who believes that all children can learn and thrive in a learning environment that is stimulating, comforting, and appropriate to children's abilities. Proven ability to work with severely emotionally and behaviorally disturbed children while adhering to academic standards. Commended for excellence in creativity, innovation, organization, and proactive talents. Exceptional ability to establish instant rapport with students, families and faculty members.

Education & Training

Master of Fine Arts-TBA, University of Miami, Dade County, FL
Bachelor of Fine Arts-May 1996, Fashion Institute of Technology, New York, NY
Major: Illustration GPA: 3.8

Certification

Certified to teach elementary and high school level art.

Awards

St. Gaudens Medal, Ezra Jack Keats Medal, Daily News Artistic Merit Award, Virginia Murphy Award & Scholarship, PBS Award for Participation in "The Nature of Things", Winner, Eleventh Annual Arts Contest, NY Association of Homes & Services for the Aging

Experience and Accomplishments

- Created a safe, comfortable and fun learning environment for children of all ages.
- Demonstrated patience and understanding while managing difficult children.
- Developed, designed, and implemented lesson plans and extracurricular activities.
- Create instructional materials and procedures consistent with individual learning needs.
- Collaborated with co-workers, supervisors, and parents to maintain a "partnership" environment.
- Planned and directed therapeutic activities for the elderly.
- Exhibited art work at the White House, several galleries
- Was chosen to display work permanently at the Lucille Ball Museum.
- Completed murals for popular nightclubs, cafés, pizzerias, and homes.

Employment History

<i>Art Teacher,</i>	W.J. Bryan Elementary School, Miami Dade County, FL	Sept. '01-Present
	PS 53K, Brooklyn, NY	Sept. '00-Sept. '01
<i>Art/Literacy,</i>	South Richmond High School, Staten Island, NY	Sept. '99-Sept. '00
<i>Art Therapist,</i>	Chapin Home for the Aging, Queens, NY	Jan. '99- Sept. '01
<i>Mural Artist,</i>	Nouvau Café, Staten Island, NY	May '98-Oct. '98
	Atlantis Night Club, Staten Island, NY	Dec. '97-Feb.'98
<i>Artist,</i>	Sarabella Creations, Staten Island, New York	June '97-Dec. '97
<i>Illustrator,</i>	Manhattan Mirror Magazine, New York, NY	Feb. '94-Nov. '98
	New York Italia Magazine, New York, NY	July '96
	Plymouth Mills, Staten Island, New York	May '94-Jan. '95
<i>Scenic Artist,</i>	"Smile: The Musical," New York, NY	Feb.-Apr. '93
	New York City Ballet, New York, NY	Aug.-Nov. '92

References

Available upon Request.