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L. EL DEBATTISTA

Sculpture Shop Technician

PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Resourceful, tech-savvy, and inquisitive sculpture shop tech and artist with a commitment to exploring new mediums, fostering learning and creativity, and continuously striving for growth.

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

CERAMIC STUDIO ASSISTANT

Jul 2024 - Dec 2024

SUNY Purchase College

Responsible for maintaining a dust-free, orderly and safe workspace for students. Monitoring tool, clay, and glaze supply, placing and unloading supply orders, and reaching out to students to coordinate bulk orders. Designing fliers for order deadlines and information regarding workshops. Responsible for clay recycling and replenishing slip buckets. Coordinating firing schedules with professors and shop director, and assisting with both kiln and Raku firings.

FAB LAB TECH

May 2024 - Dec 2024

SUNY Purchase College

Purchase, NY

Operating and maintaining digital fabrication tools: 3D printers, laser cutter, and CNC router, translating student projects to be read by CNC software. Providing guidance on CAD software, and supporting educational workshops and projects in a collaborative, creative environment. Excellent problem-solving and communication skills with a focus on student support.

FRONT DESK

Jun 2024 - Sep 2024

A Grand Union

New York City

Warmly checking in clients, ensuring comfortable seating, accessibility, and refreshments. Responding to phone calls, answering any questions regarding salon procedures, and coordinating appointments. Taking sensitive banking information over the phone, handling all cash transactions, logging and unloading supply orders.

VIDEO ARCHIVIST INTERN

Jan 2024 - Dec 2024

Richard & Dolly Maass Gallery

New York

Spearheaded digitization of VALS collection, partnering with curator to enhance accessibility to archive. Lifting 50+ lbs.

ARCHIVIST INTERN

May 2023 - Dec 2023

Neuberger Museum of Art

Purchase, NY

Digitizing of the archive, documenting delicate archival materials, and managing multiple archive projects at once.

WELDING SHOP TECH ASSISTANT

Sep 2022 - May 2023

SUNY Purchase College

Purchase, NY

Led training sessions for students on shop equipment, partnering with faculty to align shop schedule with course deadlines. Conducted regular equipment assessments and repairs, reporting any complex problems to shop manager. Responsible for opening and closing, and unloading orders using pallet jacks. Maintained impeccable safety standards.

PUBLISHING COORDINATOR

Jan 2017 - Mar 2020

8-Ball Community

New York City

Brainstorming ideas to bring to weekly meetings on publishing projects, collaborations, and events; reaching out to potential collaborative artists and resource connections; handling publishing events; vending, set-up, and networking; cultivating a welcoming space for local artists, guiding guests through the zine archive; opening and closing on set weekdays.

EDUCATION

BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS IN SCULPTURE

Sep 2019 - Dec 2024

SUNY Purchase College

Purchase, NY

Graduated with Honors, PC Grant Award, PSGA Public Art Award. Attended Ceramics, an upper level credit course.

SKILLS

Safety Compliance, Student-Centric, Kiln Firing, Supply Orders, Flexible Schedule, Mold-Making, Self-Directed, Multitask, Lift 50+lbs.