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OBJECTIVE

To be knowledgeable about current practices and teaching methods in visual arts and to pass the know-how and courage to my students to share their voices and thrive as unique, contributing citizens of the world.

EXPERIENCE

Art Teacher 2019- present

- Taught fine arts to first through fifth graders at a Title I school here in Anniston, AL. In process of producing their first spring play.

Director of Education 2008- 2009

- At local PBS station, coordinated educational opportunities through local schools and our station, WTCI, by going into schools with programming and other collaborative efforts. Also served as an assistant to the company's CEO while coordinating speakers and planning events, primarily working out logistics with popular PBS faces such as Gwen Ifill and Neil deGrasse Tyson.

Insurance Specialist 2003- 2007

- First job out of college, worked for Unum insurance company in their Long Term Disability area. Gained valuable interpersonal skills as well as professional writing. Received several promotions and served as mentor and trainer in my department before moving out of state.

River Guide 1999- 2003

- Worked as guide for various outposts on the Ocoee River in Tennessee for several summers during college. Through this experience, have guided many groups down Class III and IV whitewater, been a tour guide of sorts and helped them overcome their fears and love their time on the river where the 1996 Olympic whitewater events were hosted.

EDUCATION

University of Florida

Master's in Art Education

anticipated 2021

University of Tennessee, Chattanooga

Bachelor of Arts English (Creative Writing) and Fine Arts 2002

Townsend Atelier	Professional Development	2005-...
John Campbell Folk School	Professional Development	2003-...
McDowell Folk School and Farm School...	Professional Development	2016-...
RSCM (Royal School of Church Music)	Vocal Training Kings College	2016-...
University of Florida	Master of Arts in Art Education	2020-...

VOLUNTEER WORK AND TRAVEL

- While focusing on the rearing of my children, have worked as an artist with a few commissions, collaborations with local artists in Chattanooga, classes offered privately and for groups. Also involved with local theatre- sets, costumes, makeup, and a few roles and have gained valuable experience delegating tasks to and teaching children during this time.
- Through helping with family business, have had the opportunity to travel a great deal over the past few years. Attended art shows, blogged, toured, photographed...anything to absorb local cities. As an artist, these journeys have proven to be invaluable. By traveling with three young kids, learned to share these experiences with young people and implement into classroom instruction.
- Volunteered for CAST Kidz theatre company in Anniston, AL- as well as my kids' school's (The Donoho School in Anniston, AL) spring musical in 2018 and 2019, currently working on 2020 production of Peter Pan, mostly costume and set work.
- Choir member and VBS art coordinator for Grace Episcopal church- where the theme in 2018 was "fine arts camp;" students enjoyed creating fine arts projects throughout the week. Also served as art coordinator at Church of the Good Shepherd (Episcopal)- Lookout Mtn, TN for several years. Through church, have also helped organize Foothills summer camp- a free day camp in Anniston (2007- present).
- Appointed to Calhoun County Beautification Board in 2019, served on several boards in Chattanooga including WTCI, Young Professionals of Chattanooga, as well as Individual Artist Fellowship (IAF).