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## EDUCATION

Savannah College of Art and Design, Bachelor of Fine Arts in Illustration, 2007

## PROFICIENCIES

- Fine Art: Acrylic, water-based media, oil, digital media
- Mural Design and Painting: interior and exterior, community process, team management
- Public Art: design process, budget management, research and development
- Curation/ Art Direction: collaboration, training, leadership, budgeting, project management
- Aerosol, watercolor, acrylic, and mixed media painting techniques
- Traditional & Digital Illustration techniques
- Graphic Design (Adobe Creative Suite)
- Body Painting & Costuming, Prenatal Art
- Lettering & Calligraphy; Sign Painting
- Printmaking: Silkscreen, Relief, Intaglio
- Teaching: in-studio apprenticeship program

## PUBLIC ARTWORKS

- 2020 *Memorial for Bubba, Quinn, and Jose, Victims of the 1031 Canal Building Collapse* funded by the artist, WAAR Design Office, and 201 N. Rampart, LLC. (location)
- 2016 *Musa BUKU Art & Music Project Live Gallery*
- 2017-19 *Galvez Streetscape* commissioned by The Arts Council of New Orleans, Galvez between Tulane and Canal
- 2018 *St. Claude Rhythms* featuring the dance teachers of St. Claude, on St. Claude and Elysian Fields
- 2018 *Flor del Sol* public mural featuring local flora in Barcelona, Spain
- 2017 *One More Time* commemorative mural of Big Chief Bo Dollis, Oretha Castle Haley & Jackson Ave
- 2016 *Growing Goddess* at Grow On Urban Farm on Urquhart and Spain St.
- 2016 *Libera su Corazon* BUKU Art & Music Project Live Gallery
- 2015 *Love Swimming Under the River* at Love Swimming on Bellecastle and Tchoupitoulas
- 2015 *Terratour* public art installation for Prospect 3 biennial, Dancing Grounds, New Orleans

## SELECTED CLIENTS

The City of New Orleans, The Arts Council of New Orleans, Tulane University, Amazon, Lyft, Modelo, Whole Foods Market, Paramount Pictures, Hilton Embassy Suites, Sheraton, Savannah College of Art & Design, WWOZ, The Fillmore, Offbeat Magazine, New Orleans Musicians Clinic, MACCNO, Idea Village, NOLA Brewing, Magnolia Yoga Studio, Clandestine

New Orleans, Dr. John & The Nite Trippers, Old New Orleans Rum, Dat Dog, The Joy Theater, Winter Circle Productions, Dancing Grounds, Oak St. PoBoy Festival, New Orleans Food Co-Op, Robert Fresh Market, Circle Food Market, Rouses, Big Easy Bucha, New Belgium Brewing

## **EXHIBITIONS**

- 2018 *Flora Arcana (P.S. Satellite)*, Monica Kelly Studio, New Orleans
- 2017 *Monica Rose Kelly, Selected Works*, The Joy Theater, New Orleans
- 2016 *Hallowed Harmonies: Divining the Sublime*, Foundation Gallery, New Orleans
- 2016 *For Show*, Eiffel Society, New Orleans
- 2015 *EMERGE*, Steve Martin Fine Art, New Orleans
- 2015 *Art for Art's Sake*, Magazine Street Merchant's Association, New Orleans
- 2015 *FLESH Art Show*, One Eyed Jack's, New Orleans
- 2015 *Retrospect*, Foundation Room, New Orleans
- 2014 *Secret Walls* (champion), Three Ring Circus, New Orleans
- 2014 *BUKU Art & Music Project*, New Orleans
- 2014 *Jazz in the Park*, Louis Armstrong National Jazz Historic Park, New Orleans
- 2014 *FLESH Art Show*, One Eyed Jack's, New Orleans
- 2014 *Women's Awareness Project*, Inner Recess, New Orleans
- 2014 *Pop-up Show*, Dancing Grounds, New Orleans
- 2013 *The Magnificent Sign Emporium*, Mystic Blue Signs, New Orleans
- 2013 *EXPOSE: NOLA*, Exagéré Gallery, New Orleans
- 2013 *It's a Love Thing*, GASA GASA, New Orleans
- 2013 *Pop-up Show*, Dancing Grounds, New Orleans
- 2012 *Pop-up Show*, Dancing Grounds, New Orleans
- 2011 *Monica Kelly*, Campbell's Place, Philadelphia
- 2009 *Bgirl Be*, Intermedia Arts, Minneapolis
- 2007 *NOLA Preservation Society Fundraiser*, Boys and Girls Club of Jersey City, Jersey City

## **CURATORIAL**

- 2018 *Flora Arcana (P.S. Satellite)*, Monica Kelly Studio, New Orleans
- 2014 *Terratour*, Dancing Grounds, New Orleans
- 2015 - 2016 *Magazine Art Market*, Dat Dog, New Orleans
- 2015 - 2016 *Magazine Salon Series*, Adler Design Build, New Orleans
- 2012 - 2015 *Pop-up Show*, Dancing Grounds, New Orleans
- 2012 - 2016 *New Orleans Society of Fly Ladies presents*, Hi-Ho Lounge, New Orleans
- 2008 - 2011 *Whole Foods Market Artist Series*, Whole Foods Market, Philadelphia
- 2007 - 2008 *NOLA Preservation Society*, Jersey City, NJ

## PRESS & PUBLISHED WORK

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Offbeat Magazine. October 2015. Print and Web. **(costuming + styling)**  
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Offbeat Magazine. September 2015. Print and Web. **(cover illustration)**  
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