CURRICULUM VITAE

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Education

PhD., Art & Art History Education, Florida State University (In Progress)

M.A., Art & Art History Education, Florida State University (Complete 2021)

M.A., Reading Education, University of West Florida

B.A., Elementary Education (with Reading, ESOL, ESE Endorsement), *University of West Florida*

Teaching & Administrative Experiences

2018 - Present: Athenian Academy of Technology & the Arts

- Art Educator, Specials Department-Art and Art History, In Class and Online
- 2011-2018 Substitute Teacher
 - Art and History Educator, Pinellas County Schools

2015-2019: A Grade Ahead

- Tutor for Gifted and Special Needs Students, Oldsmar, Florida
- 2011-2012: Clearwater Marine Aquarium
 - Educator, Department of Marine Education, Clearwater, Florida

2008-2011: Calusa Nature Center & Planetarium

- Director of Public Relations, Education, and Wildlife, Fort Myers, Florida 1997-2008 Robb & Stucky
 - IT and Resources Manager, Fort Myers, Florida

Recent Professional Development

Graduate: Kagan Workshops for Student Engagement, Education, 2018-2020

Online Education-Schoology (Big Blue Button) Workshops for online only education, 2020

Blackboard Collaborate-Workshop for online only education, 2019-2020

Member: National Art Education Association

Service Highlight

Founder and Editor-in-Chief, This: A Review, 2018-present

Editor for Poetry, *Helen*, journal of literature, 2018-present

Associate Editor, The Naples Review, a journal of literature, 1995-2000

S.P.I.N., President, Literary Group, 1993-2008

ASPIRANTS, SHAMANS & MENTORS Art Projects, Naples Florida, 2004-2005

VIA TROPICAL Art Show, Naples, Florida, 1992-1995