



Education



Florida International University: Miami, Florida
Masters in Environmental Studies (2023)



Florida State University: Tallahassee, Florida
Bachelor of Fine Art in Studio Art
Bachelor of Arts in Art History
Minor in Museum Studies

Experience



Climate Crusader, Inc. : Earth

President, Jan 2019- Ongoing

Climate Crusader, Inc's mission is to inspire, educate, and highlight solution-based actions to the climate crisis by producing eye catching media content, well researched scientific educational materials, and multi-generational public activations using a league of real life superheroes to educate on current environmental issues and inspire action. Find out more: www.climatecrusader.com



Miami Climate Alliance: Miami, Florida

Communications Co-chair, January 2021-Feb 2022

Coordinate the communications of the Miami Clean Energy working group and head the Rad resources group that produces public content for press releases and education programs.



Freelance: South Florida Area

Artist & Arts Educator

Working as a freelance educator at institutions including the **Catalyst Miami**, the **Wolfsonian, ICA**, the **Bass**, **PAMM**, **ProjectArt** and **Biscayne Nature Center**. Jobs include designing, programming, and facilitating workshops on site, and working with the public schools on STEAM integration.



Pérez Art Museum Miami (PAMM): Miami, Florida

Gallery Guide, June 2018 - 2020

As a Gallery Guide I lead adult and family tours & host public artmaking for the museum's events

PAMM Teen Art Council (PTAC) Program Facilitator, January 2016 - May 2018

PTAC is a council of 12 high school teens that throughout the school year meet at the Pérez Art Museum Miami to design and bring together teen centered events for the public. Highlights include *RECESS: A Second Saturday* teen takeover where PTAC turned the terrace of the museum into a giant board game, *Shorts!*, a mobile teen film festival at Superfine! Art Fair during Miami Art Week, Space Prom, Intergenerational Workshop: Teens as Teachers- a workshop focused on the ongoing tragedy of school shootings and *Viewports*, a teen convening consisting of an educator workshop, activities, and panel discussions on teens, technology, & contemporary art.



Lead Teaching Artist, September 2014- May 2018

As a lead teaching artist I wore many hats and participated in most of the educational programs of the museum. Duties on a typical day could be anywhere from designing interdisciplinary art-making for teacher workshops, enticing critical thinking through inquiry based tours serving 18,000 children a school year, or leading and training a team of talented teaching artists. Ultimately the position had me spending a great deal of time in galleries connecting the collection to the public.

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The Bass Museum of Art: Miami Beach, Florida

Ambassador, Educator, Tour Guide, Intern, June 2013- 2020

I worked for the Bass Museum in many different capacities, I have programmed and facilitated themed art camps, taught early childhood literacy in neighborhood community centers, STEAM curriculum in public schools and helped install works with international artists.

Press, Residencies, Juries, Talks & Awards

- 2022 Ratcliffe Art + Design Incubator fellowship at FIU
Miami Individual Artist Stipend Award Program
Miami Foundation Grant Juror
Project Art Miami "Art and Social Practice" Residency
- 2021 Gulf South for Green New Deal Grantee
Forum: Climate Change, New City Players, Fort Lauderdale, FL
Local Views: Alexander Zastera, 2021, Pérez Art Museum Miami, Online
The Artist Business Plan podcast by Superfine! Art Fair
- 2020 National Art Educators Association (NAEA) 2020 member exhibition juror
Voyage Miami Magazine: "Meet Alexander Zastera of Climate Crusader in South Florida"
Jolt Radio Interview: Sunday Painter May 2020
Fountainhead Residency 2020, Artist to Artist: Redefining Your Market, Online
Miami Devcon 2020, How to Build a Public Narrative and Recognition through Gaming, Online
Project Art Miami "Art and Social Practice" Residency
Finding Latinx by Paola Ramos
- 2019 Culture Trip: "Meet the Miami Artist Combating Climate Change"
Art on the Frontlines of Climate Change, Superfine! Art Fair Miami
- 2018 *Miami New Times*: People of International Noise Conference (INC) 2019
HackaThon 2019, EcoTech Visions, Miami Gardens, FL
Project Art "Art and Social Practice" Residency
Catalyst Miami Fellowship
Art Roundtable, Nova Southeastern University (NSU) Art Museum
- 2017 Art World 101 | An Artist who happens to be "Queer", Superfine! Art Fair Miami
South Florida Teen Convening: Viewports, Pérez Art Museum Miami
ICA (Art + Research Center) intensive
Bmore Art: Saving Museums from Extinction
Rocking Chair Sessions Interview No. 33
Booooooom Feature
- 2016 *Foul South Magazine*: Interview for Illustrators Vol. 1
Blouin Artinfo: 'Superfine! The Fairest Fair' at Miami Art Week
Miami Herald: Front Page of Neighbors section
Biscayne Times: A for Art, A for Effort
- 2015 *South Florida Guide*: Paint Me Miami
Paint Me Miami: 3rd Place Award

Selected Exhibitions

Solo Projects *Performances

- 2021 Climate of Art, West Kendall Library, Miami, FL
Digital Imprint, MOCA Nomi, Miami, FL
- 2019 *Climate Crusader Origin Story, Biscayne Nature Center, Key Biscayne, FL
Currents, Museum of Contemporary Art (MOCA), North Miami, FL
Climate of Art, MDPLS West Kendall, Miami, FL
IKT Congress: ARTiculating Sustainability, Pérez Art Museum Miami (PAMM), Miami, FL
*International Noise Conference (INC), Churchill's Miami, FL
- 2018 Rocking Chair Session #1-50, Bakehouse Studios, Miami, FL
Everyday is Summer, Fountainhead, Miami, FL
*Superfine! Art Fair, NYC, NY
Song of a Black Hole, Deep Space Gallery, Jersey City, NJ
*International Noise Conference (INC), Churchill's, Miami, FL
- 2017 *Selective Abstractions # 5, & Gallery, Miami, FL
Smash & Grab, Locust Projects, Miami, FL
Force Majeure, & Gallery, Miami, FL
Deep Space Nine, Deep Space gallery, Jersey City, NJ
*Selective Abstractions #0, 48 NW 53rd St, Miami, FL
8th All -Media Juried Biennial, Art & Culture Center, Hollywood, FL
- 2016 Superfine Fair, Miami, FL
Smash & Grab, Locust Projects, Miami, FL
PAMM Staff Exhibition, University of Miami's Gallery, Miami, FL

Interests & Professional Skills

Catalyst Miami: Miami, Florida

(CLEAR) Community Leadership on Environment, Advocacy, and Resilience: 2018

Institute of Contemporary Art Miami: Miami, Florida

Art + Research Center Summer Intensive: 2017

PD Workshops

CCDH Training: Discovering inclusion, Learning together: strategies that work for all children
Introduction to successful inclusion of children with autism spectrum disorders (ASD)
Center for Autism and Related Disorders (CARD): Challenging Disorders and Functional Communication
VSA training on Visual- Audio Description for blind visitors

Languages & Digital Literacy

English (fluent), Spanish (moderately proficient), Microsoft Suite, Photoshop, & Final Cut

Off Hours

Painting, playing music, going to the beach, hiking, dancing, and trying to make the world a better place.