

Willow Vergara-Agyakwa

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CAREER SUMMARY

Fine Arts major at Santa Monica College, showcasing a commitment to child development and artistic proficiency. My leadership capabilities are evident through collaborative work at the National Conference on Race and Ethnicity, and I excel in communication, demonstrated by facilitating safe spaces for diverse audiences. With professional experiences in education, art curation, and the food service industry, I bring a versatile skill set and hands-on expertise to any dynamic environment.

SKILLS & QUALIFICATIONS

Certifications: Safe Server Certified, First Aid, CPR (April 2023)

Technical Skills: Communication Skills, Interpersonal Skills, Adaptability, Educational Facilitation, Art Knowledge, Organizational Skills, Creativity, Cultural Competence, Time Management, Customer Service, Good under Pressure, Research, writing, project management, public speaking, and teamwork.

EDUCATION

Santa Monica College 3rd year

Major: Fine Arts | Full time student

GPA: 3.612

ART AND EDUCATION

SANTA MONICA COLLEGE BARRETT GALLERY 06/2023- Present

CURATED SEVERAL SHOWS; Los Angeles

- Collaborated with Santa Monica College faculty to curate and install art exhibitions (Project 562, Never Too Late, Ideas without Edges, Converge Vertex).
- Designed and constructed exhibition spaces, including building walls and configuring displays.
- Conducted artist interviews and developed meaningful portfolios for featured artists.
- Coordinated with artists to meet deadlines for exhibition setup and teardown, ensuring a smooth and successful presentation.

Contacts: Silver_Emily@smc.edu - Professor Silver

GETTY DOCENT INTERNSHIP PROGRAM 06/2024

- Developed and facilitated engaging virtual art history lessons for students.
- Guided students in art interpretation and critical thinking.

SANTA MONICA COLLEGE CERAMICS INTERNSHIP/ASSISTANT 02-12 2024

- Created a program at Santa Monica College to learn the skills necessary to run a Ceramics studio
- created a program at the school to foster my own education desires
- Loaded and unloaded kilns
- assisted in guiding students in sculpting figures

SUBSTITUTE AND SUMMER CAMP TEACHER 06/2023- 06/2024

PLAY MOUNTAIN PLACE; Los Angeles, CA

- Provided individualized support to a cohort of 3-12 year old students in a self-guided learning environment.
- Designed and implemented daily lesson plans and activities promoting emotional intelligence, critical thinking, and self-advocacy skills in children
- Collaborate with school staff and parents to support student development and well-being.
- **Contact:** monica@playmountain.org - Monica (Office staff)

NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF RACE AND ETHNICITY 06/2023

- Presentation on my experience collaborating with Matika Wilbur to reshape narratives of indigenous people

PHI THETA KAPPA 2022-Present

- Membership in the top 10% of students at Santa Monica College
- Maintained proficient grades