

Aytac | Davids Collective Resume 2021

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Education:

2014-2015 West Texas A&M University Master of Fine Art, Glass

2014 Spring ESLI West Texas A&M University

2012-2013 Novy Bor Glass School (Czech Republic) Two semesters of glass blowing classes

2004-2010 Marmara University (Turkey) Fine Art Faculty - Sculpture

2000-2004 Edremit High School (Turkey)

Languages:

-Turkish

-English

Work Experience:

Aytac | Davids Collective 2016 - Present

Glass Art Kalamazoo Studio/Programming Manager 2016 - Present

Baigelman Glass, Assistant Glass Blower 2016

WTAMU Environmental Health and Safety Department Assistant 2014-2015

The Glass Furnace (Cam Ocagi Vakfi) Event Coordinator, Istanbul, Turkey 2011-2012

Exhibitions:

January 2022, Habatat Galleries, Glass Coast Weekend, Glass Ceiling - Influential Women of Glass Exhibition, Sarasota, FL

September 2021, Habatat Galleries 50th Anniversary Exhibition, Royal Oak, MI

February 2021, Glass Coast Weekend SPLASH virtual exhibition, St Petersburg, FL

January 2021, OP / Art Exhibition, Imagine Museum, St Petersburg, FL

December 2020, SOFA / Intersect Chicago, Chicago, IL

November 2020, Glass Art Fair with Habatat Galleries, MI

October 2020, Aytac | Davids Collective Solo Exhibition with Habatat Galleries, MI

May 2020, Glass 48 Habatat Direct Virtual Exhibition, Royal Oak, MI

2020, Michigan Hot Glass 2020 Winter Invitational,

2020, Habatat Prime, SPLASH,

2019, May ArtBreak Artist Talk Speakers, Kalamazoo Institute of Arts, Kalamazoo-MI, USA

2019, West Michigan Area Show, Kalamazoo Institute of Arts, Kalamazoo-MI, USA

2019, Set and Setting Revised (Aytac | Davids Collective Exhibition), Reflections Gallery, Kalamazoo-MI

2019, Set and Setting (Aytac | Davids Collective Exhibition), Southwest Michigan College, Dowagiac-MI, USA

2018, Holiday Artisan Market, Design Quest, Grand Rapids-MI, USA

2018, Box Factory: Collaborative Nature, St Joseph-MI, USA

2017, Degree Glass 1-year exhibition at Glass Art Kalamazoo, Kalamazoo-MI, USA

2016, Something Fishy Glass Exhibition at Water Street Glassworks, Benton Harbor-MI, USA

2015 Mixed Media Mixed Exhibition, Sunset Center Vermillion, Amarillo-TX, USA

2015 Route 66 Glass Gallery Exhibition, Amarillo-TX, USA

2015 AC/WT Mixed Student Exhibition, West Texas A&M University, Amarillo-TX, USA

2014 Fall Sunset Gallery Graduate Students Exhibition, West Texas A&M University, Canyon-TX

2014 Suma-Han Garden Exhibition, Suma-Han Gallery, Istanbul-Turkey

2014 AC/WT Student and Faculty Show, West Texas A&M University, Amarillo-TX, USA

2010 Marmara University Undergraduate Student Exhibition, Marmara University Fine Arts Faculty
Istanbul-Turkey

2008 "Gossip Works" Mixed Student Exhibition, Marmara University Fine Arts Faculty, Istanbul-Turkey

Awards/Grants:

2019 Eclectic Glass Guild of Southwest Michigan Award for Glass in the West Michigan Area Artists

Exhibition at the Kalamazoo Institute of Art

2019 Glass Blowers Battle Bronson Sculpture throwdown winner with team Wildcard

2019 Glass Blowers Battle Bronson Sculpture throwdown runner up with team GAK

2018 Glass Blowers Battle Bronson Sculpture throwdown runner up

2018 Kalamazoo Arts Council, KADI Professional Development Project Grant, Katrina Hude Studios, Visiting Artist

2015 WTAMU Best Student Research Award

2015 AC/WT Student Exhibition Best Graduate Price

2014 GAS Online International Student Exhibition

2014-2015 WTAMU Graduate Scholarship

Related Experience:

2022 Imagine Museum Collection

2021 Ox-Bow School of Art, 1 week Multi Level Glass Blowing Class Instructors

2021 1 Month STARworks Glass Artist Residency

2016 – 2020, Resident Artist at Glass Art Kalamazoo, Kalamazoo-MI, USA

2016, Guest Artist at Water Street Glassworks, Benton Harbor-MI, USA

2016, Guest Artist at West Michigan Glass Art Center for First Friday Art Hop, Kalamazoo-MI, USA

2016 Modeling for Simone Kestelman, GAS Glass Fashion Show, Corning Museum of Glass, Corning-NY, USA

2015 Laura Donefer Corning Glass Blowing Demo assistant, SOFA Chicago-IL, USA

2015 Ignite Glass Night, Laura Donefer Glass Blowing Demo assistant

2015 Night Blow Show with Laura Donefer assistant, WTAMU University

2015 WTAMU Student Research Conference First Price in Fine Arts

2014 Summer Katrina Hude studio, assistant

2013 The Glass Furnace, Intensive Summer Workshops, Istanbul-Turkey Holly Cooper, Bead making assistant

2012 The Glass Furnace, Intensive Summer Workshops, Istanbul-Turkey Tom Galbraith, Flameworking assistant

2012 The Glass Furnace, Intensive Summer Workshops, Istanbul-Turkey Ursula Distler, Bead making assistant

2010 Newbridge Studios Art Projects, Newcastle-England

2009 Kadıköy Belediyesi, Kids Festival, Clay Sculpture Instructor, Istanbul-Turkey

2005 Zeytinli Belediyesi Olive Festival, Sculpture Symposium, Artists Coordinator, Zeytinli-Turkey

2004 Zeytinli Belediyesi Olive Festival, Artist, Zeytinli-Turkey

2003 Zeytinli Belediyesi Olive Festival, Assistant, Zeytinli-Turkey

Joshua Davids

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Education

West Texas A&M University, Canyon, Texas
Master of Fine Arts in Glass and Sculpture*

Regis University, Denver, CO
Bachelor of Arts in Visual Arts
Minor: Business Administration, marketing

Goldsmiths University of London

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May 2020, Glass 48 Habatat Direct Virtual Exhibition, Royal Oak, MI
March 2020, Michigan Hot Glass Winter Invitational, Detroit, MI
February 2020, SPLASH at Glass Coast Weekend, Habatat Gallery, Sarasota, FL
May 2019, ArtBreak Artist Lecture, Kalamazoo Institute of Arts, Kalamazoo, Michigan
May 2019, West Michigan Area Show, Kalamazoo Institute of Arts, Kalamazoo, Michigan
May 2019, Set and Setting Revised (Aytac | Davids Collective Exhibition), Reflections Gallery, Kalamazoo, Michigan
March 2019, Set and Setting (Aytac | Davids Collective Exhibition), Southwest Michigan College, Dowagiac, Michigan
December 2018, Tree of Life Chandelier, WMED Campus, Kalamazoo, MI
November 2018, Design Quest, Grand Rapids, Michigan
September 2018, Box Factory: Collaborative Nature, St Joseph, Michigan
November 2017, Aytac | Davids 1 year exhibition at Glass Art Kalamazoo, Kalamazoo, Michigan
June 2016, Water Street Glassworks, Benton Harbor, Michigan
May – June 2016, Guest Artist at Water Street Glassworks, Benton Harbor, Michigan
March – May 2016, Guest Artist at West Michigan Glass Art Center for First Friday Art Hop, Kalamazoo, Michigan
April 2014, Infernal Methods MFA Thesis, Mary Moody Northen Hall Gallery, Canyon, Texas
April 2014, AC/WT Show, Amarillo Museum of Art, Amarillo, Texas
March 2014, Vitromoda, Fort Worth, Texas

Related Experience

Aytac | Davids Collective 2016 – Present

- Gaffer and Designer with partner Ekin Aytac

Glass Art Kalamazoo 2016 – 2020

- Studio Manager / Marketing Manager – responsible for all maintenance, equipment planning and building, developing marketing strategies, materials, and more.
- Lead glass blowing instructor for all class levels, instrumental in program planning and development
- Resident Artist

Route 66 Glass 2015

- Conceived and created a glass gallery in Amarillo, TX
- Presided over fundraising, construction, management, business planning, and all aspects of gallery development

Guinn Color 2014 – 2016

- Graphic and Web design, marketing, and management consultation

Blake Street Glass 2014 - 2015

- Gaffers assistant, extensive production blowing and cold working, studio and equipment maintenance

Katrina Hude Glass 2012 - 2014

- Assisted in facilitating and producing works for Katrina Hude during her residency at West Texas A&M University and at her studio on Whidbey Island, WA

The Glass Furnace in Istanbul, Turkey 2013

- Assisted Rob Stern and Jiří Pačinek during extensive summer course
- Works completed for the Final Show of an extensive summer course became a permanent installation
- Assisted Janusz Pozniac and John Hedrick during extensive summer course
- Assisted Mehmet Kömürcü and The Glass Furnace production team

Carlyn Ray Designs 2012 - 2013

- Assisted in facilitating and producing works for Carlyn Ray during her residency at West Texas A&M University
- Duties included glass blowing, studio maintenance, cold working, finishing, and hanging

Process Art House 2012 - 2013

* Masters degree was pending review of written thesis when program was shut down.