

JADE NGUYEN

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Photographer

EDUCATION

Illinois State University

Master of Fine Arts

Photography

Fall 2021 – Spring 2024

State University of New York at Plattsburgh

Bachelor of Fine Arts

Photography and Graphic Design

Minor in Web Design and Programming

Fall 2017 – Spring 2021

SKILLS

Documentary photography

Studio photography

Studio lighting

Darkroom photography

Wet plate collodion

Liquid photographic emulsion

Museum documentation

Photo retouching

Classroom management

EXPERIENCE

Instructor of Photography

Wonsook Kim School of Art, Illinois State University, Normal, IL | January 2023 – Present

- Develop university-level photography courses; deliver lectures and demonstrations in digital photography, studio and on-location lighting, photo editing and retouching, inkjet printing, and flatbed scanning
- Provide assistance, conceptual and technical guidance, and formative feedback; resolve student issues and concerns

Photographer and Student Assistant

University Galleries, Illinois State University, Normal, IL | May 2022 – Present

- Capture digital representations of collection materials such as paintings, prints, photographs, and sculptures for research, exhibition, and publication; document exhibitions, lectures, and events
- Perform post-production and quality control to ensure accuracy and fidelity; manage metadata and online photography catalogs
- Assist with exhibition installation, artwork handling, and inventory; design and distribute promotional and educational materials
- Assist public visitors, K-12 tours, and university classes; monitor artwork and gallery safety; answer phone calls

Graduate Assistant

Wonsook Kim School of Art, Illinois State University, Normal, IL | August 2021 – Present

- Support primary instructor during in-class lectures and critiques; provide conceptual and technical feedback and printing assistance outside of class
- Manage darkroom, digital printing lab, and lighting studio equipment and operations to ensure a clean, safe, and efficient working environment; mix and dispose darkroom chemicals according to safety measures

Photographer

DoNorth Magazine, Plattsburgh, NY | May 2019 – May 2021

- Photograph natural landscapes, business establishments, portraits, and private events; perform post-production to magazine's expectations and guidelines
- Collaborate with writers for on-location assignments and produce story pieces that promote tourism in the Adirondacks area

Photography Lab Technician

Art Department, SUNY Plattsburgh, Plattsburgh, NY | August 2018 – May 2021

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- Provide feedback and printing assistance outside of class

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EXHIBITIONS

Student Annual

University Galleries, Illinois State University, Normal, IL | 2022

polyphony, MFA Thesis Exhibition

University Galleries, Illinois State University, Normal, IL | 2024

McLean County Art Exhibition

McLean County Art Center, Bloomington, IL | 2024

mutualism, two-person exhibition

Juilian Hall Gallery, Illinois State University, Normal, IL | 2023

in our place

Midwest Nice Art, Alberdeen, SD | 2023

returning to, two-person exhibition

Central Illinois Regional Airport Gallery, Bloomington, IL | 2022

14,000km, solo exhibition

Rachel Cooper Gallery, Illinois State University, Normal, IL | 2022

Student Annual

University Galleries, Illinois State University, Normal, IL | 2022

McLean County Art Exhibition

McLean County Art Center, Bloomington, IL | 2021

Student Annual

University Galleries, Illinois State University, Normal, IL | 2021

Best of SUNY Art

SUNY Plaza, Albany, NY | 2021

AWARDS

McLean County Art Exhibition, 1st-place, McLean

County Art Center, Bloomington, IL | 2024

Lenscratch Student Prize, Top 26, Lenscratch | 2023

Robert Small Writing Award, Illinois State University | 2023

Karen Deske Scholarship, Illinois State University | 2023

Karolee Johnson Memorial Award, Student Annual exhibition, Illinois State University | 2023

Image of Research, 2nd-place, Illinois State University | 2022

Barbara J. Parnass Scholarship in Photography, SUNY Plattsburgh | 2021

Winkle Scholarship of the Art, SUNY Plattsburgh | 2018 - 2020

PUBLICATIONS

Opt West Magazine, Issue 3, 2023

Spoon River Poetry Review, 48.1, Summer 2023

Opt West Magazine, Issue 2, 2023

Hyperallergic, Nazafarin Lotfi Dreams Up a Borderless Future, 2023

DoNorth Magazine, Summer 2019 - Spring 2021

Gandy Dancer: SUNY Literary, Vol. 9, 2019

ARTIST TALKS AND LECTURES

ART275: World Art

Illinois State University, Normal, IL | 2023

COM390: Race and Visual Rhetoric

Illinois State University, Normal, IL | 2023

ART350: Art Career Practices

Illinois State University, Normal, IL | 2023