

Sam Kielian

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Education

2019-2023	Bachelor of Fine Art- Ceramics	Maine College of Art & Design- Portland, ME (May 2023)
2013-2018	Highschool Diploma	Robert Louis Steven School, New York, NY

Awards, Grants, Fellowships, Scholarships

2019-2023	Merit Scholarship	Maine College of Art & Design- Portland, ME
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Exhibition Record

2021	BFA Exhibition	Maine College of Art & Design- Portland, ME
2022	Collated Craft Exhibition	Maine College of Art & Design- Portland, ME
2022	Monument Square Market	Monument Square- Portland, ME
2022	Artascope Plein Air Festival	Bickford Outdoor Pavillion- Yarmouth, ME
2022	Picking In The Orchard Festival	Gathering Winds Farm & Orchard Poland- ME

Related Work Experience

2018-2019	Studio Intern/assistant	Technocopia Makerspace- Worcester, MA
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Assisted boss in the fabrication of products for Etsy store, Streamlined designing process for laser fabricated products and Implemented an efficiency plan to expedite the production of products.

2018-2019	Digital Fabrication Teaching	Technocopia Makerspace- Worcester, MA
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Helped students with designing and executing for Youth Grow Worcester, Led demos on the laser cutter, and assisted students while “driving” the machine.

2018-2019	Studio Intern/assistant	Worcester Center for Crafts- Worcester, MA
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Made clay in a Soldner clay mixer, Loaded various electric and gas kilns, Organized bisque ware, Assisted in setting up the Worcester Center For Crafts Pottery Invitational, Organized studio spaces, and General studio cleaning

2018-2019	Intern/ Assistant	Guzangi art studios
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Helped launch Guzangi Art Studios business, Organized a “paint night” (sold-out event), Helped market for artistic events, Designed and constructed equipment for significant creative possibilities, and Worked closely with founder and owner of Guzangi Art Studios.

2021	Ceramic Teaching	Hidden Valley Camp- Freedom, ME
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Cabin counselor for 11, and 12-year-old boys, Lead ceramic-related activities, Assisted and led ceramics classes, Wheel based classes, Hand-building-based classes, Loaded and programmed electric kilns with student work, Helped with organizing and executing an end-of-session art show, Wrapped 500 student pieces and packaged them for their respective cabins.

Technical Abilities & Expertise

Proficient in Electric Kiln Firing
Skilled in electric kiln repair and construction
Capable in electric kiln technical diagnostics

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References

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