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Community Arts | Counseling | Public Administration

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Profile

Diversely-skilled, engaging and exceptional community arts and human services professional with multifaceted experience in counseling, coaching, consulting, public leadership, advocacy, creative arts, program development and communications in the active promotion of individual and community vitality and social justice.

Community Arts

Visual and Community Artist, Coach, Consultant

SoulStudio Arts ~ Creations, Classes & Consulting, Mt. Rainier, MD

Jul 2004 – Present

- Create community artworks & installations: grant writing, project & volunteer coordination, design, production
- Create mixed media artworks, including acrylics, oils, watercolors, inks, clay, digital, found objects
- Design logos, marketing collaterals, custom art and designs for print and web
- Coach businesses and organizations in strategic planning and communications needs
- Design and lead expressive arts classes, workshops, events and retreats
- Certified SoulCollage™ facilitator

Project and Contractual Examples

- **Roadwork: Sisterfire Showcase** -- May/June 2019: Assisting DC-area historic women's multiracial cultural events organization with marketing, public relations, graphic design and production management.
- **KCP Gallery** -- Jan 2014 - Jun 2017: Co-founded innovative community arts gallery in downtown arts district, coordinating events, art shows, policies, facility, marketing, public relations, partnerships including Longmont Pride Festival.
- **Fresh Farm-to-Art** -- Mar - Aug 2016: Participating artist in juried collaborative art installation with local farms and artists for summer fundraiser for two non-profit arts organizations.
- **Arts Longmont** -- Jan - Jun 2016: Contracted part-time by director of traditional non-profit arts organization and gallery, transitioning programs coordination into consolidated position and producing quarterly *Arts Longmont Magazine*.
- **CreatOVATION Colorado!** -- Aug - Dec 2015: Contracted by city development authority to design concept of an inaugural year-long series of creativity and innovation events culminating in a 2-day regional event.
- **ArtWalk Longmont** -- Jun 2013 - Jun 2015: Volunteered as Artist-in-Action, Board President, and creator of Enchanted Working Artist Forest installation for annual 3-month summer arts festival series.
- **Intercultural Festivals, OSU** -- *Drums & Dough*, 2009, *Freedom Festival*, 2010: Contracted to create two annual campus-wide community festivals bringing diversity together around shared themes and creative expression.
- **Lavender Scrolls** -- Oct 2006 - Jun 2007: Awarded state-funded grant to design and create 8 six-foot story panels featuring life history photos and quotes of a selected group of LGBTQ elders, to visually educate the public of their issues.

Human Services & Public Administration

Counselor / Trainer

The Counseling Source, Cincinnati OH

Sep 2017 – Apr 2019

Contract counselor and diversity trainer (flexible scheduling)

- Offered diagnostic psychotherapy to long term care patients; facilitated LGBTQ support and advocacy group for TCS clinicians; offered professional development LGBTQ cultural competency training to long term care professionals.

Counselor / Counseling Supervisor

Boulder Valley Women's Health Center, Boulder, CO

Aug 2015 – Aug 2017

Counseling team member (Aug-Dec 2015); Counseling Supervisor (Jan 2016 to Aug 2017)

- Supervised counseling team of three regular counselors and four substitute counselors; provided reproductive options and mental health support counseling to clinic clients; designed gender affirming counseling program and provided support for clients interested in HT therapies; handled client funding assistance calls and related appointment set-up details and funder follow-through; assisted in sustainability, strategic planning, focus group and brand-building committees and projects; participated in Administrative Team meetings and other clinic leadership matters as needed.

Communications Coordinator

Multicultural Center, Office of Student Life, Ohio State University, Columbus, OH Sep 2007 – Mar 2012

Contract work to full time position (Adm Asst Sept-Dec 2007; Stratg Plan Jan 2008-Jun 2009; Comms Jul 2009-Mar 2012)

- Coordinated center's marketing, public relations and outreach campaigns; advised and supervised undergraduate and graduate student interns; initiated and implemented large-scale intercultural events for center, including the Freedom Festival and Grand Opening of the MCC in the new Ohio Union (Spring 2010 with over 3000 attendees); developed and administered center's visual identity, ADA accessibility and professional presence policies; authored newsletters, reports and speaking points for Directors; managed program budgets; interacted with all levels of campus hierarchy; served on and chaired center and campus committees, including search/hiring, strategic planning and staff development; developed multimedia public relations and press materials; maintained website, email, weekly events announcements, archives and marketing display areas; utilized donor and program tracking databases; co-presented at conferences; designed team-building in-services.

Counselor / Outreach Coordinator

Lavender Seniors of the East Bay, San Leandro, CA

Sep 2005 – Jun 2007

- Offered psychosocial support for LGBTQ seniors/elders; initiated and implemented Cultural Competency Training and Certification Program for senior services providers: implemented education programs, public education campaigns, networking, community arts: Lavender Scrolls Project, Lavender Lunches, guest speaker series, senior speakers bureau, open mics; recruited and trained volunteers, interfaced with providers and funders, delivered training, follow up, and reports.

Counselor / Program Coordinator

Lambda Youth Project, Project Eden, Horizon Services Inc. Hayward, CA

Nov 1999 – Jul 2004

- Facilitated weekly psychosocial support groups for at-risk LGBTQ youth and friends; counseled youth; counseled parents; hired and supervised staff; trained youth activists; coordinated diversity sensitivity training for schools and community organizations; served as community educator for agencies, schools, colleges and city government to provide education and consultation regarding equity issues of youth; designed, coordinated and implemented high-visibility annual Bay Area Gay Prom serving 500 LGBTQ youth with 100 adult volunteers; represented program to city funders and mayoral council; served as public relations officer for all LYP activities; designed and produced all marketing materials for LYP programs and events; served as Vice Chair of Mayor's Coalition for Youth; served as community educator for *Progressive Research Training for Action* (LGBTQ cultural competency), Oakland, CA in curriculum design and provision of in-services statewide to assist Alcohol and Other Drug (AOD) agencies in developing, and implementing services for LGBTQ clients.

Counselor / Advocate / Interim Director

Antioch College Student Services, Yellow Springs, OH

Sexual Offense Prevention and Survivor's Advocacy Program (SOPP)

Sep 1996 – Aug 1999

- Provided sexual offense counseling, mediation and interpersonal skills education to students and campus community, administered the *SOPP Hearing Board* judiciary process and trained faculty, staff and students to serve, planned and coordinated consent education events, designed and produced all marketing materials, served on the campus Undoing Racism Committee, hired and supervised student interns, and served as SOPP public relations officer.

Counseling and Wellness Center

Sep 1994 – Aug 1999

- Offered individual, couples and group mental health counseling to students, designed and implemented community workshops and training, assisted in planning and coordinating campus-wide Health and Wellness programs, and temporarily assumed directorial responsibilities during search for new director, including co-chairing the search committee, supervising four employees, training the new Director and Advocate, and representing the Center on campus.

Academic Advisor

The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH

Sep 1989 – Aug 1993

Graduate Administrative Associateship

- Provided academic and career counseling to undergraduate students (pre-SWK, pre-EDU and Undecided students); taught survey classes; facilitated new student orientations; guest lectured on gender and racial equality.

Group Therapist / Primary Counselor

Women's Residential Unit, Maryhaven Treatment Center, Columbus, OH

Sep 1990 – Jul 1991

MSW II field placement

- Counseled women with substance abuse recovery issues, individually and in group; designed and facilitated treatment plans; presented workshops to clients on women's issues and domestic violence; assisted Director with program development and grant writing.

Caseworker / Support Group Facilitator

CHOICES Domestic Violence Shelter, Columbus, OH

Jan 1990 – Jun 1990

MSW I field placement

- Provided individual and group mental health, advocacy and psycho-educational support; provided telephone crisis counseling; accompanied clients through legal, welfare and healthcare systems; organized client child-care; helped clients branch off from main support group to form their own peer-led support group; pursued chemical dependency training.

Client Advocate / Counselor

YWCA Protective Shelter for Battered Persons, Hamilton OH

Jun 1987 – May 1989

- Counseled women and their children individually and in group; conducted intake interviews and crisis intervention in person and over phone; advocated for clients during courtroom proceedings; presented workshops and in-services at schools and other services; wrote and published the agency newsletter; managed media relations; managed fundraising.

Other Experience

Board Member and General Member

ArtWalk Longmont, Annual Summer Main Street Arts Festival, Longmont, CO

Jun 2013 - Jun 2015

President: Jan 2015-Jun 2015

- Volunteered as Artist-in-Action 2013, 2014; designed, coordinated and implemented “Enchanted Working Artists Forest” Installation, 2015; updated organization by-laws; represented organization in city art district meetings

East Bay Women’s Business Network, EBWN, San Leandro, CA

Jul 2004 – Mar 2007

Board Treasurer: March 2006 – March 2007

- Initiated and coordinated Sizzling Summer Showcase, a community-awareness collaboration with the San Leandro Chamber of Commerce; handled organization bookkeeping as Treasurer; served as guest speaker for EBWN and for the San Leandro Chamber of Commerce on the subject: *Business in Bold! The Art of Communicating Your Passion.*

Lighthouse Community Center, Hayward, CA

Aug 2001 – Jul 2004

- Planned events and represented board and community member interests in LGBTQ Center and community; coordinated youth services at the Center; spoke publicly about constituent issues, sponsored and coordinated Hayward Pride Festival, served on annual film festival committee.

Other Business Associations: *Coffee & Connections*, 2013-2014, Longmont, CO; *DamesBOND*, 2007-2010, Columbus, OH; *San Leandro Chamber of Commerce*, 2005-2007, San Leandro, CA; LGBTQ Business Network 2006-2007, Oakland CA, *BNI*, 2005-2006, Alameda, CA; *Women in Business Roundtable, Oakland Chamber of Commerce*, 2005-2006, Oakland, CA

Hospice Camp Counselor

Lifecycles Camp, Hospice of Dayton, Dayton OH

Aug 1992, Aug 1993

- Served for two summers as a camp counselor volunteer for bereavement camp for children who have lost a primary caretaker. Participated in art, counseling, and other group activities with children, ages 7-16, and family members.

Education

Mixed Media Arts Sabbatical, Four-year self-designed experiential arts education, Longmont, CO

CE, Digital Media, Chabot Community College, Hayward, CA

MA, Women’s (Gender) Studies, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH

MSW, Social Work, Child & Family Clinical Focus, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH

BPhi, Interdisciplinary Studies with Women’s (Gender) Studies minor, Miami University, Oxford, OH

Skills

Arts: Acrylic, Oil, Watercolor and Enamel Paints, Charcoal, Pencil and Inks, Mixed Media, Egg Dyes, Fabric Dyes, Red, White, Polymer and Precious Metal Clays, Paper and Photo Collage, Plaster, Beads, World Percussion, Woodwinds, Movement, Dance and Performance Arts

Technology: Cross platform Mac & PC, Adobe Creative Suite Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign, Dreamweaver, MS Access, Office, Excel, WordPress, MovieMaker, GarageBand, iPhoto, QuickBooks, iWorks, NextGen Healthcare EHR, Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, Flickr, Instagram, Constant Contact, Mailchimp, Basecamp

References provided upon request