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**Summary:**

*Art Teacher and Designer* with direct experience in museum education and non-profit organizations; published writer/illustrator of children’s books.

**Experience:**

**HANAC Harmony JVL Innovative Senior Center,** Queens, NY **2014 to present**

*Art Teacher*

Teach a full art program of watercolor, drawing, painting and jewelry making to older adults.

**Lifetime Arts**, HANAC Harmony JVL Innovative Senior Center **2017**

Queens, NY

*Teaching Artist*

“Symbolic Self Portraits” *Catalyzing Creativity* grant.

**Riseboro Senior Center,** Brooklyn, NY **2017**

*Teaching Artist*

Arts and Crafts

**Brooklyn Museum, Brooklyn NY 2014 to present**

*Special Needs Teaching Assistant, Gallery Studio Program*

Assist adults with memory loss and special needs in art classes.

*Gallery Host*

Host in museum galleries conducting research, recording feedback from museum goers about the museum

*Volunteer* in *Brooklyn Afternoons,* a program for adults with memory loss and their caregivers as well as children and teens programs, and First Saturday events

**Painting/Drawing Tutor 2013 to present**

Teaches watercolor, drawing and painting to people of all ages including teens, children and adults

**Court Tree Collective, Brooklyn, NY 2013 to 2014**

*Art Teacher for Watercolor Classes and Wine and Watercolor Events*

Taught watercolor for adults and children preparing lessons and curriculum; ran art related events.

**Brooklyn Art Space, Brooklyn 2011 to 2015**

*Figure Drawing Monitor*

Taught figure drawing classes; set up and prepared art studio; worked with student interns.

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**(**Experience continued)

**Children’s School, Brooklyn, NY 2010**

*Teaching Artist;*

Taught watercolor to children in grades 1 to 5 in a special-needs inclusion program.

**Design Experience:**

 **Ex-Cell Home Fashions,** NY, NY **2008**

*Designer*, *Bath Accessories and Table Linens*

Designed and created hand painted designs, printed on textiles for tableware; created designs for lotion bottles, soap dishes, cups and other bath accessories.

**Macy’s Merchandising Group,** NY, NY **2005 to 2008**

*Designer for Tabletop and Decorative Housewares*

Created best-selling dinnerware patterns and giftware; created presentations and showroom displays; supervised production.

**Lifetime Brands,** Westbury, NY **2004 to 2005**

*Designer for Dinnerware and Ceramics*

Created original art and shape design for ceramics and glass, display and presentations.

**Gear Holdings Inc.,** New York, NY **1992 to 2003**

*Home Furnishings Designer*

Created original designs and artwork for textiles, rugs, ceramics, bedding, apparel, accessories and giftware.

**Education:**

**Parsons School of Design**, NY, NY

*Bachelor of Fine Arts*

**Publications; Children’s Books**

**“*Alfonse, Where Are You?” Linda Berkowitz***

*Crown Books for Young Readers*in 1993

**“*Little Bird and the Moon Sandwich:***” ***by Linda Berkowitz***

*Crown Books for Young Readers* in 1996

**Professional Memberships:**

New York Foundation For the Arts; Lower Manhattan Cultural Council; Brooklyn Museum of Art; Metropolitan Museum of Art; The New School University/Parsons Alumni Association; Brooklyn Arts Council; Brooklyn Waterfront Artists Coalition.