# MACKENZIE LEE

Artist & Technologist

#### **EDUCATION**

BS Western Governor's University, Business IT Management September 2018 **AFA** Inver Hills Community College, Fine Arts May 2011 Focus of Study: Studio Arts Dean's List Art Appreciation Association, PTK Member Minneapolis College of Art and Design, Coursework April 2011 Studio Art Classes Academy of Art University San Francisco, Certificates August 2010

#### HONORS AND AWARDS

List relevant awards, fellowships, honors, grants, and academic distinctions in reverse chronological order. Include a short description if necessary.

#### **Scholastic Art Awards**

Sliver Key Award Recipient for Drawing: "What Will Become of Our Wetlands" (featuring a robotic stork)

# Flint Hills 2010 International Children's Festival Art Contest Winner

2010

Award Granted to Painting

### LA TechWeek HackerFund Grand Champion Award

Pre-college Summer program completion

2022

Los Angeles Techweek award for Decycle, a web solution for helping unhoused communities in Los Angeles, and battling the recycling issues faced in California.

#### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

EduBest Remote, Zoom, Seoul, South Korea

March 2021 to May 2021

# **ESL Teacher**, English

- Taught Students at Seoul Gyodae Elementary School, and Seorae Elementary School and Munchan Elementary School.
- Taught Speaking, Sound Comprehension, Grammar and Reading to elementary students over Zoom. Taught a total of fifteen classes a week with each class having anywhere from 2-8 students.
- Graded guizzes, exams, and checked homework.

• Reviewed students and kept a watch on their progress and made student reviews and assessments alongside one co-teacher.

# RISE Korea, Gwangjin, Seoul, South Korea ESL Summer Camp Teacher, English

August 2020

- Taught a multi-week summer camp at The RISE Gwangjin Campus to over twelve students in elementary school.
- Taught Writing, Speaking, Arts and Crafts, Vocabulary, Cooking, and special activity classes.
- Graded classwork and checked homework.
- Monitored students' progress and did end of program reporting.

# **EduBest,** Samgaksan Elementary School, Seoul, South Korea **Elementary School ESL Teacher**, English

11-2019-Jan2020

- Taught Elementary school students from grades 12-5 in a classroom setting.
- Taught Writing, Speaking/Listening, Reading, Vocabulary, Social Studies and Science, Grammar and Audio comprehension.
- Graded classwork and checked homework alongside one classroom co-teacher. Monitored students' progress and did end student grade reporting and progress reports

InterEx Korea, Yeongdeuongpo-gu Office, Seoul, South Korea July 2018-October 2018 ESL Teacher, Business English,

- Crafted a full-time learning curriculum for Working adults in a creative field looking to immigrate to the United States on a O-1 Visa.
- Taught writing, speaking, vocabulary, pronunciation, interview skills, writing and resume workshops, topics in the news, culture classes and other related topics.
- Graded classwork checked homework as well as worked one on one with students to get them job and visa interview ready.
- Closely monitored student progress and adapted classes to match learning needs of students.
- Several students successfully immigrated to the US and adapted to life in a foreign country.

#### MANAGEMENT EXPERIENCE

# State Farm Insurance (IBG), Various USA,

2015-2020

Tour Manager, State Farm Insurance.

- Worked as a seasonal Tour manager at Auto Shows across the United States, including Chicago Auto show, DC Auto show, and other cities.
- Managed large teams with the largest being somewhere in the mid 20 range.

- Conducted trainings, team meetings, and encouraged team building and results for the brand.
- Utilized high attention to detail skills to ensure display booth footprint was on point.
- Engaged in photo documentation and reporting for the event.
- Hosted many athlete autograph signing events over a PA system to crowds of thousands of people.
- Ensured our team was meeting targets and goals of getting leads.

## Nintendo, The Marketing Arm San Jose, CA, Guru Manager, Nintendo Holiday Program 2015,

Holidays 2015

- Was main point of contact for training large pool of staff on game software and hardware.
- Created a staff incentive program which pushed productivity.
- Managed large team of over twenty brand ambassadors.
- Managed inventory and did event reporting.
- Was in charge of securing games during set up and closing times.

## State Farm, The Marketing Arm Twin Cities, MN, Field Marketing Manager, Better State Crew

July-October 2015

- Managed a growing team of staff, organized events and successfully executed them. Managed premium purchasing, inventory, and consumer wants and needs.
- Set up and tore down for all sorts of events in the Twin Cities area. Wrote reports, and researched potential events to participate in. Co-ordinated special community events. Successfully met goals and stayed within budget for events. Planned, and rese-arched potential events, made staffing decisions, premium purchasing decisions, and set up-managed-and tore down events. Successfully attributed to keeping the program running in the Twin Cities area.

#### **PROFESSIONAL TRAINING**

## Amazon AWS Certified Cloud Practitioner, October 2022

Amazon AWS SheBuilds Mentee, August-October 2022

### KLEC Program Completion Levels 1-3, Sogang University, Seoul South Korea

- Studied Conversational Korean, spoken, written, grammar, pronunciation.
- Organized student meetup groups and weekly study groups with fellow students.
- Created study guides.
- Spent time outside of other work and class, studying Korean culture, attending museums, etc.

## **Certificate of Completion**

Invest Seoul Center, Seoul South Korea, 07/24/2020

Description: Completed third session of the Business Startup school, a part of the OASIS Program. The training included topics needed for starting a business in South Korea.

Studio Escalier, Flowers Form and Color, Remote, 2020,

- Drawing and painting organic forms
- Understanding historical painters who played a role in floral painting.
- I had injured my dominate hand right after the first week of class and learned to paint and draw using my non-dominant hand.
- Participated in bi-weekly critiques and lectures

### Studio Escalier, 2020 Summer Color, Remote, August 2020,

- Built up a sense for color, and mixing oil paint even further
- Participated in bi-weekly critiques and lectures
- Looked at artists in the past to discover the ways they utilized color and thought about it.
- Created works including color studies, master studies, still live pieces of organic and in-organic matter as well as self-portraits.

Studio Escalier, Summer Intensive, Argenton Les Vallees, France, May 2019-August 2019

- Fulltime class schedule which comprised of drawing the human figure in mornings, and painting the human figure in afternoons.
- Attended lectures and received critiques on works.
- Pushed myself further and found myself painting incessantly after daily classes ended and created over eighty different paintings over the summer.
- Created a series of paintings relating to the house I lived in during that time, as well as a series of cloudscapes over the course of a few weeks.
- Work Study Student, engaged in studio cleanup and other studio needs.

## **Project+ Comptia Certification**

**Studio Escalier**, Autumn at The Lourve (Drawing), Paris, France, October 2016- November 2016

- Attended studio lectures in the mornings at Studio Escalier's studio in Monmartes, during that time there would also be drawing from life sessions, and I would consider the figure in context to works I would see in the afternoons at the Lourve.
- In Afternoons, I would go to the Lourve and either attend a tour/lecture or work on a drawing study.
- My focus for this class during my drawing studies was on capturing the sculpture by Antonio Canova, 'Psyche revived by Cupid's Kiss'.
- During other times, I roamed the galleries and did general studies of works.

- I was fascinated by the way different civilizations depicted birds and created a drawing of birds at the Lourve.
- I gained a strong understanding for art history by seeing and 'feeling' the art via drawing.

**Studio Escalier**, Spring Portrait Painting, Argenton-Les-Vallees, France, April 2016- May 2016

- Studied the art of portraiture and painted and drew from a live studio model daily.
- Attended lectures and critiques.
- Gained a stronger understanding of human likeness representation.
- Was introduced to alla prima painting techniques.

Studio Escalier, Summer Intensive, Argenton-Les-Vallees, France, May 2014-August 2014

- Learned oil painting, mixing techniques and clean studio habits.
- Attended lectures and critiques.
- Work study student, worked to clean studio and do various chores.
- Drew human form in the mornings and painted the human form in the afternoon.
- Learned movement curve, block-in techniques, utilizing blocks to understand the tilts of the human form.
- Learned the art of using dynamism in representing life. Developed a skill to banish parallel lines from the figure.
- Created various figure painting and drawings during class, as well as skill lives, and landscapes outside of class.

#### RECENT PROFESSIONAL WORK

## **VIP Concierge**

Youtube Creator Summit, Youtube, Los Angeles, CA, 2022

- Worked for high profile executives at Youtube, Jason Derulo and team, Youtube Creators to ensure needs were being met and that they could make it to the production stage on time.
- High profile guests and Youtube employees were pleased with my work and the way I graciously treated guests and handled problems.

#### **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

#### **American Cinematheque**

Volunteer, Los Angeles, 2023-Current

#### **Habitat for Humanity**

ReUse Store Volunteer, Minneapolis, 2015

#### **McDonalds Thanksgiving Day Parade**

Volunteer Photographer, Chicago, IL, 2012

### **Kickapoo County Fair**

Volunteer, La Farge, WI, 2010

#### **LANGUAGES**

**English**: Native Language

Korean: Intermediate Listener, Intermediate Speaker, Intermediate Reading and Writing

French: Novice Listener, Novice Speaker, Intermediate Reading and Writing

Japanese: Novice Listener, Novice Speaker, Novice Reading and Writing

Mandarin: Novice Listener, Novice Speaker, Novice Reading and Writing

Spanish: Intermediate Listener, Novice Speaker, Intermediate Reading and Writing

#### **COMPUTER SKILLS**

**Programming**: C, Python, Javascript, Node.js, Flask, Vue.js, Bootstrap, HTML, CSS, No-SQL DB, SQL Databases, GIT

**Applications**: Adobe Illustrator, Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Indesign, Adobe Animate, Adobe Lightroom, Figma, Microsoft Office Suite, VS Code

Platforms: AWS, G-suite, Github, Wordpress

#### **AFFILIATIONS**

#### California Art Club

Mentorship Program Member, Los Angeles, CA, since 2023