

Noor Essakalli

nooressakalli.com | 513-884-1892 | noor.essakalli@gmail.com

EDUCATION

Cleveland Institute of Art

Cleveland, OH

Bachelor's of Fine Arts: Photography

Relevant Coursework: Graphic Design, Studio Lighting, Advanced Digital Cinema

May 2024

Honors / Awards: Gund Family Scholarship Award, National Scholastic Award, Scholastic Gold & Silver Keys Award, ArtWorks Senior Apprentice Award

Exhibitions / Publications: OrangePress, CIA Student Independent Exhibition 2022, Cincinnati Magazine Playwright Roger Collins 2021, Manifest Gallery Envision at the Columbus Ohio State capital 2020, Art Academy of Cincinnati Scholastics Award Winners Exhibition 2020

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

BLINK Cincinnati | Summer Intern | Cincinnati, Ohio

June 2022-October 2022

- Worked closely with the Executive Director to coordinate all logistics for BINK, the nation's largest light, art, and projection mapping experience
- Completed digital Asset Management and Visual storytelling
- Coordinated and scheduled the arrivals and departures of all international artists
- Conduct research on industry trends, potential partners, and other relevant information to support the event planning and execution
- Assist in creating, editing and proofreading documents and communications, such as press releases, promotional materials, and reports

Cleveland Museum of Art | Cafe Barista/Server | Cleveland, OH

September 2021 -Present

- Upsell menu items, specials, and drinks to increase revenue and customer satisfaction
- Collaborate with kitchen staff and bartenders to ensure seamless service
- Follow all safety and sanitation procedures to ensure a clean and safe work environment

ZidZid | Artist Assistant | New York City, NY; Manama, Bahrain; Marrakech, Morocco; Cincinnati, Ohio.

February 2014 -Present

- Assisted international artists with diverse art installations and community projects
- Help manage the artist's schedule, including arranging appointments, meetings, and travel
- Contribute to the creative process by offering ideas, feedback, and support to the artist as needed
- Assist with the installation and deinstallation of artwork for exhibitions or displays

LEADERSHIP & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

OrangePress | Founder and Executive Creative Director | Cleveland, OH

March 2022-Present

- Founded and led the 'Orange Press' club at the Cleveland Institute of Art
- Foster growing membership while organizing events and initiatives that expand students' interests in creating a publication
- Producing several successful issues, providing students with hands-on experience in journalism, editing, and design

ArtWorks | Senior Apprentice | Cincinnati, OH

January 2018-November 2021

- Collaborated with the teaching artist and project manager to develop project plans, including timelines, budgets, and goals for the project.
- Responsible for following the project plan and ensuring that the work meets the artist's vision.
- Involved the community in the project, which could include holding public meetings or workshops to gather input, hosting events to promote the project, or engaging with volunteers to help with the art-making process.

FourthWall Studios | Lead Participant | Cincinnati, OH

May 2019- December 2019

- Participated in Fourthwall Youth Studio's intensive production program, designed to provide immersive and hands-on experience in the filmmaking industry
- Worked collaboratively with a team to write, direct, shoot and edit two short films, "Blooming Lily" and "Flash Forward"
- Gained practical experience using professional equipment and technology in order to bring our ideas to life, including working with lighting, sound, and camera angles
- Faced challenges and problem-solved in a fast-paced and dynamic environment, developing critical thinking and collaboration skills, while adhering to industry best practices

AFFILIATIONS & SKILLS

Affiliations: PHV for CIA

Language: English & French (spoken and written), Arabic (spoken)

Software: Proficient in MS Office Suite, Adobe Suite