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Art Exhibitions

**solo and collaborative installations*

- 2023 *Cement & Paper Tigers*, Klauzál6 Projekt Galéria, Budapest, Hungary*
Restitution, Villa P651, Prague, Czech Republic
- 2022 *Eso Tilin Project Group Exhibition 2*, Atlanta Contemporary On-Site, Atlanta, GA USA
Eso Tilin Project Group Exhibition 1, Atlanta Contemporary Courtyard, Atlanta, GA USA
- 2021 *Prairie*, Reeves House Visual Arts Center, Woodstock, GA USA*
- 2020 *Kress Building El Paso*, Cooper Carry Charrette, Cooper Carry, Atlanta, GA USA*
Card-Mod Coffee Table, Industrial Design Charrette, Cooper Carry, Atlanta, GA USA*
- 2019 *Guesthouse (Remix): Little Matchstick Girl performance*, MINT, Atlanta, GA USA*
Guesthouse, installMINT Grand Opening Exhibition, MINT, Atlanta, GA USA
Mirage 2, Atlanta Fringe Festival, Little Five Points, Atlanta, GA USA*
sandbaggin', Atlanta Contemporary, Atlanta, GA USA*
lagarde, Lagarde American Eatery, Chamblee, GA USA*
- 2018 *ASSEMBLAGE & ARRANGEMENT*, Cat Family Records, Tallahassee, FL USA
LOADING CLOUD, Wiregrass Museum of Art, Dothan, AL USA*
Pompeii, 651 House Show, Tallahassee, FL USA
PALACE: 2018 MFA Graduate Exhibition, Museum of Fine Arts, Tallahassee, FL USA
- 2017 *Duststorms: 2017 MFA Biennial*, Delaware Contemporary, Wilmington, DE USA
Fantasy, Day & Night Projects, Atlanta, GA USA
Mirage, Carnaghi Arts Building, Tallahassee, FL USA*
PICKETFENCE, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL USA*
BoneDry, Carnaghi Arts Building, Tallahassee, FL USA*
Earth, Body & Ore, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL USA*
- 2016 *Fantasy*, Metropolitan 250 Gallery, Philadelphia, PA USA
Pompeii, SOUP experimental, Tallahassee, FL USA*
Memory Palace, Manifest Creative Research Gallery and Drawing Center, Cincinnati, OH USA
No Vacancy, Working Method Contemporary, Tallahassee, FL USA*
Ceiling Feeling s., ARTMAZE, Exposure Gallery, Sioux Falls, SD USA*
BEDAZZLED, 1511 NMLK BLVD, Tallahassee, FL USA*
- 2015 *A Human Record*, Washington Pavilion, Sioux Falls, SD USA*
Undergraduate Research Exhibition, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN USA*
OVERFEED, Highpoint Center For Printmaking, Minneapolis, MN USA
- 2014 *Senior Exhibition*, Conkling Gallery, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN USA
STAIRWELL, Everest Gallery, Washington Pavilion, Sioux Falls, SD USA*
It Takes a Village to Make a Monster, CSU Gallery, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN USA
Annual Halloween Show, 410 Gallery, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN USA
Decay, Conkling Gallery, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN USA
Hannabal Lester, CSU gallery Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN USA*
St. Peter Arts Center Membership Show, St. Peter Art Center, St. Peter, MN USA
Belle Notte, Carnegie Arts Center, Mankato, MN USA
Inspiration Show, CSU gallery, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN USA
Annual Juried Exhibition, 410 Gallery, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN USA
Undergraduate Research Exhibition, CSU Gallery, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN USA*
- 2013 *"Hangul Signs"*, Anam-Ro, Korea University, Seoul, South Korea*
Lester Boeh, CSU Gallery, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN USA*
Exploit Subject 2, 410 Gallery, Mankato, MN USA*
The Librarian is the Juror, CSU Gallery, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN USA
Exploit Subject 1, Nelson Courtyard, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN USA*
Undergraduate Research Exhibition, CSU Gallery, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN USA*
Annual Juried Show, 410 Gallery, Mankato, MN USA

- Annual Halloween Show*, 410 Gallery, Mankato, MN USA
Scopophilia, Conkling Gallery, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN USA
One Million Bones, National Mall, Washington D.C USA
 2009 *Untitled*, University of South Dakota, Vermillion, SD, USA

Residencies

**full funding*

- 2023 Budapest Galéria International Artist Resident, Budapest Galéria, Buda Castle, Budapest, Hungary*
 2022 Andy Warhol Foundation/Nexus Fund 3 Month Studio Artist Residency, Atlanta Contemporary, Atlanta, GA USA*

Art Honors

- 2023 1-Month Artist Residency Stipend, Municipality of Budapest through Buda Castle and the Budapest Galéria, Budapest, Hungary
 2022 1 of 2 M.Arch International Candidates selected for 2022 in-take, Academy of Arts, Architecture and Design in Prague (UMPRUM), Prague, Czechia
 2020 Nexus Fund Artist Award, Atlanta Contemporary, Atlanta, GA USA
 2018 2018 Outstanding Student Achievement in Contemporary Sculpture Award [Honorable Mention], International Sculpture Center, Hamilton Township, NJ USA
 Graduate Thesis presentation, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL USA
 2016 "Top Art Exhibits and Events in Philly This November", UWISHUNU, Philadelphia, PA USA
 "Top Picks for First Friday in Philly this November", UWISHUNU, Philadelphia, PA USA
 Goliath Magazine Issue 1, Goliath Magazine, Minneapolis, MN USA
 A Human Record Interview, JAM ART and SUPPLY, Sioux Falls, SD USA
 Season 12 Manifest Exhibition Annual, Manifest Creative Research Gallery and Drawing Center, Cincinnati, OH USA
 2015 Full-Tuition Scholarship, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL USA
 Undergraduate Scholar: Posters at St. Paul, Capital Mall, St. Paul, MN USA
 South Dakota Artist Career Development Grant, South Dakota Arts Council, Pierre, SD USA
 2014 Undergraduate Research Student Spotlight, Department of Graduate Studies, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN USA
 Undergraduate Research Grant, Department of Graduate Studies, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN USA
 Inspiration Show [Honorable Mention], CSU Gallery, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN USA
 Rachel Salomonson Memorial Art Scholarship, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN USA
 2013 Minnesota Conference, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN USA
 Scopophilia Exhibition Award, Conkling Gallery, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN USA
 Undergraduate Research Grant, Department of Graduate Studies, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN USA
 2012 Undergraduate Research Grant, Department of Graduate Studies, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN USA

Curatorial

- 2018 *SOUP x CatFest 2018*, Railroad Square Art Park, Tallahassee, FL USA
SOUP x Wiregress Museum of Art, Dothan, AL USA
Chris Boyko: Automatism, SOUP experimental, Tallahassee, FL USA
SOUP x Wilbury, Tallahassee, FL USA
SOUP x Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL USA
SOUP x RareStone Records, Tallahassee, FL USA
SOUP x The Bark, Tallahassee, FL USA
SOUP x Cap City Video Lounge, Tallahassee, FL USA
In-House, SOUP experimental, Tallahassee, FL USA

Eurotrill DJ Night, SOUP Experimental, Tallahassee, FL USA
PORTAL 4 x Litterbox, 327 Meadowbrook Ln, Tallahassee, FL USA
Toni Ardizzone: Savage to Savage, SOUP experimental, Tallahassee, FL USA
SOUP x Georgia State University Graduate Artist Forum, SOUP experimental, Tallahassee, FL USA
Day & Night Projects: Supermoon ft. William Downs, Steven Anderson and Mark Leibert, SOUP experimental, Tallahassee, FL USA
LOVENOTES, SOUP experimental, Tallahassee, FL USA

2017 *SOUP x Day & Night Projects: FANTASY, Day & Night Projects, Atlanta, GA USA*
Portal 3 Midtown Art Crawl, Midtown Business District, Tallahassee, FL USA
SOUP x CatFest 2017, Railroad Square Art Park, Tallahassee, FL USA
Calvin LL. Jones: Football Church, SOUP experimental, Tallahassee, FL USA
Colleen Itani: It's Important if I'm Crying/if I'm Crying it's important, SOUP experimental, Tallahassee, FL USA
Sydney Ewerth: Ramblin', SOUP experimental, Tallahassee, FL USA
Mathew Mitros: Parallel Play, SOUP experimental, Tallahassee, FL USA
SOUP x Cat Family Records: Summer Session 2017, SOUP experimental, Tallahassee, FL USA
Chris Boyko: Visceral Meditation, SOUP Experimental, Tallahassee, FL USA
Michelle LaFrance: Michelle LaFrance, SOUP Experimental, Tallahassee, FL USA
Celeste Ivory: Floccus, SOUP Experimental, SOUP Experimental, Tallahassee, FL USA
Lordscience: Alienation, Harmony and Variance, SOUP Experimental, Tallahassee, FL USA
Portal 2, Marie Dull's House, Tallahassee, FL USA
Amanda Cray & Codey Gallas: Time Savor, SOUP experimental, Tallahassee, FL USA
Nathaniel Hendrickson, Rebecca Fitton, Kayla McClellan x SOUP x Community Arts Initiative: A Dismantling Process, SOUP experimental, Tallahassee, FL USA
One.Will's selected RAP & Poetry, SOUP Experimental, FL USA
Elise Thompson: Threw It Through It, SOUP Experimental, FL USA
Carrie Ann Baade, Amanda Boekhout, Kelly Gallo: Goddess Lounge, SOUP Experimental, FL USA
LOVENOTES Poetry Night, SOUP Experimental, FL USA
Bailey The Bear, SOUP Experimental, FL USA
Georgia State MFA Showcase, SOUP Experimental, FL USA
SOUP EXPERIMENTAL BIRTHDAY, SOUP Experimental, FL USA
SOUP x THE JOURNEY MGMT: THE INTRANET, SOUP Experimental, FL USA

2016 *SOUP x METROPOLITAN 250 GALLERY: FANTASY*, Metropolitan 250 Gallery, Philadelphia, PA USA
Sean Hamilton: Soft Opening, SOUP Experimental, FL USA
Calvin LL. Jones: ghostinthe toy, SOUP Experimental, FL USA
FRUIT 1, SOUP Experimental, FL USA
Kyle Marler: Flattersitter + The Dream Wanderer, SOUP Experimental, FL USA
Patrick Shevlin: Unintentionally Nautical, SOUP Experimental, FL USA
Austin Yorke: a self-annihilating nothing, SOUP Experimental, FL USA
SOUP x GRASSLANDS BREWERY, Grasslands Brewery, Tallahassee, FL USA
PORTAL, 651 West Ave House, Tallahassee, FL USA
OPEN, SOUP Experimental, Tallahassee, FL USA
Mary Chong, Tenee Hart, Justin Bumpers: Dilate, SOUP Experimental, Tallahassee, FL USA
Local DIY Horror Movie Fest, SOUP Experimental, Tallahassee, FL USA
Classic Blood Social, SOUP Experimental, Tallahassee, FL USA
Hannah Schwadron, Jamour, A'Lon, Miracle Swill, Faking Jazz: ICON, SOUP Experimental, Tallahassee, FL USA
SOUP x MFA Delaware Showcase, SOUP Experimental, Tallahassee, FL USA
Chelsea Raflo: MT. SOMA, SOUP Experimental, Tallahassee, FL USA
Choreography Wave Noise, SOUP Experimental, Tallahassee, FL USA
Dwellings, SOUP Experimental, Tallahassee, FL USA
Lucia Riffel, Sierra Kramer, Carrell Courtright: Space and Charm, SOUP Experimental, Tallahassee, FL USA
 USA

- Hannah Thompson Movement Sculpture*, SOUP Experimental, Tallahassee, FL USA
Special May Performances, SOUP Experimental, Tallahassee, FL USA
Kathleen Saunders: Subtropical, SOUP Experimental, Tallahassee, FL USA
Nathan Hendrickson: Dance of Life, Soul Extraction and Replacement, SOUP Experimental, Tallahassee, FL USA
Matthew Lawrence: Anywhere but Brooklyn, SOUP Experimental, Tallahassee, FL USA
Brittany Watkin: Lucia Not-Self, SOUP Experimental, Tallahassee, FL USA
 2015 *Lucia Riffel's Wizard of Breakfast*, Railroad Square Art Park, Tallahassee, FL USA

SOUP Artist Video Series

note: click text to watch interview or highlights

- 2018 [Video Interview](#): Day & Night Projects ft. William Downs, Steven Anderson
[Video Interview](#): Lordscience Universal
 2017 [Video Interview](#): Carrie Ann Baade
[Video Interview](#): The Goddess Lounge
[Video Highlight](#): Portal 3
[Video Highlight](#): Portal 2
[Video Interview](#): Bailey the Bear
[Video Interview](#): Amelia Carley & Aaron Putt
[Video Interview](#): Journey MGMT: The Intranet
 2016 [Video Interview](#): Scott Bell & Cat Family Records
[Video Interview](#): Kenneth Von Roenn
[Video Interview](#): Sean Hamilton
[Video Interview](#): The Dream Wanderer, Kyle Marler

SOUP Art Writing Series

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- 2017 Opinion: Rachel Ballard's *Use Me*
 Opinion: Joe Hadden's *665 and 13*
 Opinion: Larkin Ford's *Faith Healer at the Buffet*
 Opinion: Celeste Ivory's *Floccus*
 Opinion: Michelle Lafrance's *Tangible*
 Opinion: Amanda Crary and Codey Gallas's *Time Savor*
 2016 Opinion: Ashton Bird's *Pompeii*
 Opinion: Lucia Riffel's *Welcome to Nowhere*
 Opinion: Jason Lake's *Trench Laundry Service*

Curatorial Honors

- 2017 Review: Day & Night's Fantasy Shows Multiple Worlds Mingling, ArtATL, Atlanta, GA USA
 Review: SOUP Experimental, Venison Magazine, San Francisco, CA USA
 Interview: SOUP x Tallahassee Council on Culture & Art, WTXL Tallahassee, Tallahassee, FL USA
 Interview: SOUP Experimental Earns Creative Collaboration, FSview, Tallahassee, FL USA
 2016 Ranking: 2nd Best Exhibition in Philadelphia, November 2016, UWISHUNU, Philadelphia, PA USA
 Review: Tallahassee Artists to open 2016-2017 season, Breadhead, Philadelphia, PA USA
 Interview: Department of Art MFA Student, Ashton Bird & SOUP experimental, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL USA
 Interview: Ashton Bird Redefines Art Galleries, Tallahassee Democrat, Tallahassee, FL USA

Architectural Lighting Design

- 2023 *Kress Spa*, Luxury Spa & Resort, El Paso, TX USA
Kress Food Hall, Commercial & Mixed Use, El Paso, TX USA
Riverview Square Hotel, Commercial & Mixed-Use, Clarksville, TN USA
Frenchman's Reef Marriot, Hospitality & Restaurant Lighting, St. Thomas, U.S Virgin Islands USA

- Millcity Tavern*, Minneapolis–St. Paul International Airport, Restaurant Lighting, St. Paul, MN USA
Amelia Gene’s Machine Shop, Restaurant Lighting, Memphis, TN USA
The Palm House Hotel, Hospitality Lighting, Palm Beach, FL USA
Midtown Union Exterior Feature Façade, RGBW Feature Lighting, Atlanta, GA USA
Carolina Country Club, Restaurant Lighting, Raleigh, NC USA
Peachtree Dunwoody Pavilion, Commercial and Retail Mixed-Use, Sandy Springs, GA USA
- 2022 *Rumi’s Colony Square*, Restaurant Lighting, Atlanta, GA USA
- 2021 *Spaceman Hyatt Buckhead*, Restaurant Lighting, Atlanta, GA USA
Mount Royal Hyatt Buckhead, Restaurant Lighting, Atlanta, GA USA
Cooper Carry Office, Office Lighting Redesign, Atlanta, GA USA
Casa Don Alfonso, The Ritz-Carlton, Restaurant Lighting, St. Louis, MO USA
The Cigar Club, The Ritz-Carlton, Restaurant Lighting, St. Louis, MO USA
Landing Fancy Fish, Restaurant Lighting, Memphis, TN USA
The Jimmy Italian Pasteria & Pizzeria, Restaurant Lighting, Charlotte, NC USA
Virtuoso Club House, Commercial Club & Spa Lighting, Huntsville, AL USA
Windstar Cruise ship Boutique, Retail Lighting, Seattle, WA USA
Assembly Food Hall, Commercial Food Hall, Rosslyn, VA USA
- 2019 *Sante MD Wellness Center*, Commercial Medical Spa, Atlanta, GA USA
260 Stratford Road, Residential Lighting Redesign, Asheville, NC USA
Lighting Loft Custom Chandelier Design, Atlanta, GA USA
Moniz Mansion Blue Ridge Mountain Club, Residential Lighting, Blowing Rock, NC USA
1738 Marlbrook DR NE, Residential Lighting, Atlanta, GA USA
Kennesaw Loft B&B, Commercial Lighting, Kennesaw, GA USA
Tech Lighting Display Booth, Exhibition Design, Atlanta, GA USA
6580 Indian Creek Drive, Residential Lighting, Miami Beach, FL USA
- 2018 *Alon’s Bakery*, Commercial Warehouse Lighting, Atlanta, GA USA
Bernes Warehouse 3230 DR. Cumberland, Retail Lighting, Chamblee, GA USA
Chabad of North Fulton, Commercial Sanctuary Lighting, Alpharette, GA USA
Guitierrez Residence, Residential Lighting, Vinings, GA USA

Design Honors

note: studio, team & project awards

- 2022 Restaurant New Construction Award of Merit: *Rumi’s Colony Square, Atlanta, GA USA*, AIA Atlanta
Residential & Hospitality Design Awards
ASID Design Excellence Award, Hospitality Country Club, Gold: *Cherokee Country Club, Knoxville, TN USA*, American Society of Interior Designers
ASID Design Excellence Awards, Hospitality Restaurants, Silver: *Casa Don Alfonso at The Ritz Carlton, St. Louis, MO USA*, American Society of Interior Designers
Atlanta Magazine Georgia Design Award, Contract Design Restaurant/Bar, Silver: *Rumi’s Colony Square, Atlanta, GA USA*, Atlanta Magazine
Illumination Award, Merit: *Casa Don Alfonso at The Ritz Carlton, St. Louis, MO USA*, Illuminating Engineering Society
Atlanta’s 25 Top Largest Architectural Firms: Cooper Carry Ranked #1, Atlanta, GA USA, Atlanta Business Chronicle
- 2021 Hospitality Design Award for Best Club and Lounge: *The Cigar Club at the Ritz Carlton, St. Louis, MO USA*, Hospitality Design Magazine
NAIOP Best of Northern Virginia Awards, Retail Award of Merit: *Assembly at Rosslyn City Center, Rosslyn, VA USA*, Commercial Real Estate Development Association
Atlanta’s 25 Top Largest Architectural Firms: Cooper Carry Ranked #1, Atlanta, GA USA, Atlanta Business Chronicle
- 2020 Atlanta’s 25 Top Largest Architectural Firms: Cooper Carry Ranked #1, Atlanta, GA USA, Atlanta Business Chronicle

Professional Experience

- 2022- Designer II, The Johnson Studio at Cooper Carry, Atlanta, GA USA
- 2019- Designer I and Social Media Strategist, The Lighting Loft, Atlanta, GA USA
- 2018- Director and Founder, SOUP Experimental, Tallahassee, FL USA
- 2015- Sculpture Lab Technician, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL USA
- 2017- Exhibition Preparator, Christopher Cutts Gallery, Art Miami Basel, Miami, FL USA
- 2014- Gallery Guard, Minneapolis Institute of Arts, Minneapolis, MN USA
- Ceramics Studio Internship, The Washington Pavilion, Sioux Falls, SD USA
- Raku and Ceramics Technician, Dakota Pottery, Sioux Falls, SD USA

Volunteer Experience

- 2021- Volunteer Craftsmen, Habitat for Humanity, Atlanta, GA USA
- 2020- Event Volunteer, Cat Family Records, Tallahassee, FL USA
- 2018- Event Volunteer, Alliance Theater, Atlanta, GA USA
- Event Volunteer, Atlanta Symphony Orchestra, Atlanta, GA USA
- Event Volunteer, Atlanta Contemporary, Atlanta, GA USA
- Event Volunteer, Museum of Design, Atlanta, GA USA

Education

- 2025- Master of Architecture Candidate: Academy of Arts, Architecture and Design in Prague (UMPRUM), Prague, Czechia
- 2018- MFA Studio Art: Installation, Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL USA
- 2014- BFA Studio Art: Ceramics, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN USA
- 2012- Ceramic Apprentice, Itaewon, Seoul, South Korea
- Experimental Drawing, Korea University, Seoul, South Korea