

# JENIE GAO

## curriculum vitae

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### EDUCATION

#### Washington University in St. Louis, Sam Fox School of Design & Visual Arts

BFA 2010 in Printmaking/Drawing

GPA: 3.73, Dean's List, Cum Laude

### ART RESIDENCIES

2018

Iowa Lakeside Laboratory • Art Residency, Wahpeton, IA

2017

The Bubbler at Madison Public Library • Art Residency, Madison, WI

2015

Museo de Arte Moderno • Art Residency, Castro, Chile

Fundación 'ace para el Arte Contemporáneo • Proyecto 'ace<sup>PIRAR</sup> SUB30 Art Residency, Buenos Aires, Argentina

### AWARDS | GRANTS | PUBLIC PROJECTS

2018

Middleton City Hall • Co-lead Artist with Rhea Ewing, to design a mural for the Middleton Recycling Plant, late summer 2018, Middleton, WI

Working Draft Beer Company • Lead Artist for new brewery's mural, to be installed February 2018, Madison, WI

Trinity Lutheran Church (ELCA) • Lead Artist for church's mural project, to be installed spring 2018, Madison, WI

2017

Goodman Community Center • Lead Artist for teen mural project, summer 2017, Madison, WI

La Luz del Mundo Family Services • Lead Artist for a public project in Milwaukee's South Side neighborhood, February-June 2017, Milwaukee, WI

2016

Artists Working in Education | Escuela Verde • Lead Artist for a public mural at 35th and Pierce Street in collaboration with the students of Escuela Verde focused on the topic of immigration, Milwaukee, WI | learn more at <https://migrationstory.us>

Madison Arts Commission • BLINK Grant Recipient for public art project *Illuminate Madison*, Madison, WI

### SELECTED SOLO & 2- PERSON EXHIBITIONS

2018

Museum of Wisconsin Art • Solo Show: Survival Tools, West Bend, WI

2017

Urban Ecology Center • Solo Show: The Globe Weaver, Milwaukee, WI

Little Mifflin Galleries • Public Art Installation: Angels, Harpies, and False Dichotomies, Madison, WI

The Bubbler at Madison Public Library • Public Art Installation: In Unison, Madison, WI

Pearson Lakes Art Center • Solo Show: The Pioneers, Okobojo, IA

2016

Lanesboro Arts Center • Two-Person Show: Lessons of Departure, Lanesboro, MN

Arts + Literature Laboratory • Solo Show: Our Relationship with Power, Madison, WI

2015

Sharon Lynne Wilson Center | Ploch Art Gallery • Solo Show: Learning to See, Brookfield, WI

2011

Studio Lounge • Tock with Jason Anthony Limberg, Milwaukee, WI

Caggio • Two Year Anniversary Show with Stephanie Barenz, Milwaukee, WI

The Black-Eyed Press & Gallery • Solo Show, Racine, WI

### SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2018

Abel Contemporary Gallery • Reduction, Paoli, WI

**Museum of Wisconsin Art** • 2018 Wisconsin Artists Biennial, West Bend, WI  
**River Arts Center** • Wings & Water Show, Prairie du Sac, WI  
 2017  
**Var Gallery** • The Navigators, Three-Person Show with Emily Arthur and Jaymee Harvey Willms, Milwaukee, WI  
**UW-Parkside Gallery** • Juried Exhibition: Wisconsin Visual Artists On and About Paper, Honorable Mention, Racine, WI  
**ArtHelix Gallery** • RESPONSE: invitational group show with Vox Populi Print Collective, New York City, NY  
**Gallery Marzen** • Invitational Show of Regional Artists, Madison, WI  
**Ann Arbor Art Center** • ART NOW: Printmaking, juried by Tyanna Buie, Ann Arbor, MI  
 2016  
**Magnet Factory and Gallery Marzen** • Invitational traveling exhibit for Mothers of Our Nations, Milwaukee and Madison, WI  
**Wisconsin Lutheran College | Schlueter Art Gallery** • National Parks Exhibit: Invitational Show, Milwaukee, WI  
**South Arkansas Arts Center** • 2016 Juried Art Competition, El Dorado, AR  
 2015  
**Fundación 'ace** • Residency Show/Open Studio, Buenos Aires, Argentina  
 2013  
**Racine Arts Council** • Pressing On: An Exploration in Local Printmaking, Racine, WI  
 2012  
**Greymatter Gallery** • Featured Artist in Artbook: The Show, Milwaukee, WI  
**Bucketworks** • Art Show & Silent Auction, Milwaukee, WI  
**EFFJAY PROJEKTS** • Indiana Green, Sheboygan, WI  
**Studio Lounge** • 3rd Annual INK! Show, Milwaukee, WI  
 2011  
**Schlueter Art Gallery at Wisconsin Lutheran College** • Nature by Three, Milwaukee, WI  
**Walker's Point Center for the Arts** • Annual Members Show, Milwaukee, WI  
**Bradley University** • 33rd Bradley International Print and Drawing Show, Peoria, IL  
**Marshall Building in the Third Ward** • Wisconsin Women in Art Show, Milwaukee, WI  
 2010  
**Dean Jensen Gallery** • Big Bangs/Small Bucks Exhibition III, Milwaukee, WI  
**Gallery 2622** • Show with Stephanie Barenz and Kelda Martensen, Milwaukee, WI  
**Cedar Gallery** • Summer Gallery Night, Milwaukee, WI  
**Degiverville Gallery** • Secret Identities, St. Louis, MO  
**Soulard Art Market & Contemporary Gallery** • Remastered, St. Louis, MO

#### SELECTED CURATORIAL PROJECTS

2017  
**Promega BTC** • Intertwined: Nirmal Raja, Yeonhee Cheong, Kristen Bartel, and Rina Yoon, Fitchburg, WI  
**Arts + Literature Laboratory** • The Nature of Things: Marsha MacDonald and Rina Yoon, Madison, WI

#### SELECTED LECTURES | TALKS | PANEL DISCUSSIONS

2017  
**Monona Terrace, Mayor's Round Table** • Invited Speaker with Faisal Abdu'Allah and Trent Miller, moderated by Karin Wolf, Madison, WI  
**Ripon College, Panel Discussion on Art & Politics** • Guest Speaker with Tylonn J. Sawyer and Brandon Bauer, moderated by Rafael Salas, Ripon, WI  
**Promega** • Curator's Talk and Artists' Symposium, Fitchburg, WI  
**University of Wisconsin-Parkside** • Guest Artist & Speaker, Kenosha, WI  
**Monona Terrace, Natural Family Expo** • Invited Speaker, Madison, WI  
**Synergy Coworking, Synergy Commons** • Invited Speaker, Madison, WI  
 2016  
**TEDx Madison, Overture Center** • Invited Speaker, Madison, WI  
**Milwaukee Institute of Art & Design** • (Fall) Professional Portfolio Symposium, Milwaukee, WI  
**Sharon Lynne Wilson Arts Center** • Guest Artist, Brookfield, WI  
**Milwaukee Institute of Art & Design** • (Spring) Professional Portfolio Symposium, Milwaukee, WI  
 2015  
**Sharon Lynne Wilson Center | Ploch Art Gallery** • Artist Talk during opening reception, Brookfield, WI  
 2014  
**Milwaukee Institute of Art & Design** • Artist Talk and Guest Critique for Rina Yoon's printmaking class, Milwaukee, WI  
**The Moth grandSLAM Storytelling Championship at Turner Hall** • Finalist, Milwaukee, WI  
 2013  
**The Moth storySLAM at Miramar Theatre** • Storytelling winner of the theme, "Unintended," Milwaukee, WI  
**Milwaukee Institute of Art & Design** • Guest Demonstrator for printmaking professor Rina Yoon, Milwaukee, WI  
 2012  
**Gozamos** • Interview by Cierra McKissick during 3rd Annual INK! Show curated by Steph Davies, Milwaukee, WI

**BONK Performance Series** • Guest Speaker invited by Nick Demske of Racine Arts Council, Racine, WI  
2011  
**Wisconsin Lutheran College** • Guest Speaker for professor Kristin Gjerdsset, Milwaukee, WI  
2010  
**Wisconsin Lutheran College** • Guest Speaker for professor Stephanie Barenz, Milwaukee, WI  
**Carroll University** • Visiting Artist and Demonstrator for professor Peggy Farrell, Waukesha, WI

## COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION | INVOLVEMENT

2016—**present Madison Arts Commission** • Committee Member reviewing grants, funding, and policy writing for city art projects, Madison, WI  
2016—**present Arts + Literature Laboratory** • Curatorial Board Member, Madison, WI  
2016—**present Bike the Art** • Co-organizer of monthly gallery bike tour with Arts + Literature Laboratory, Madison, WI  
2016  
**Dane Arts Buy Local (DABL)** • Invited Juror, Madison, WI  
**Maker Faire** • Featured Artist and Organizer with UW Milwaukee Print Club, winners of the Blue Ribbon Award, Milwaukee, WI  
2015  
**Maker Faire** • Featured Artist with UW Milwaukee & MIAD Print Clubs, Milwaukee, WI  
2014  
**Milwaukee Spring Gallery Night** • Fundraiser for Mid-America Print Council, Milwaukee, WI  
**Maker Faire** • Featured Artist & Demonstrator, Milwaukee, WI  
**RedLine Printshop** • Instructor for Woodcut Workshops, Milwaukee, WI  
**Bay View Gallery Night** • Gao Gallery: Featured Venue, Milwaukee, WI  
2013  
**The Fastest Painter in Milwaukee: Fundraiser for Pancreatic Cancer Action Network**, Gao Gallery, Milwaukee, WI  
**Print: MKE 2013** • Participating Artist & Featured Venue, Milwaukee, WI  
**Bay View Gallery Night** • Gao Gallery: Featured Venue, Milwaukee, WI  
**Makerfest** • Featured Artist & Demonstrator, Milwaukee, WI  
2012  
**ART VS. CRAFT** • Featured Artist, Milwaukee, WI, November 2012  
**Bay View Gallery Night** • Participating Artist & Featured Gallery, Milwaukee, WI  
**Print: MKE 2013, Southern Graphics Council International** • Panels/Papers Committee Member, Milwaukee, WI  
**Bay View Gallery Night (Fall)** • Gao Gallery: Featured Venue, Milwaukee, WI  
**Marcus Center of Performing Arts** • Art at the Center: Silent Art Auction, Milwaukee, WI  
**Sweetwater Organics** • FIRE! FIRE! A Benefit for Center Street Artists, Milwaukee, WI  
**Bay View Gallery Night (Summer)** • Gao Gallery: Featured Venue, Milwaukee, WI  
2011  
**Scholastic Art Awards—Wisconsin, Milwaukee Art Museum** • Judge, Milwaukee, WI  
**Celebrating Brad Foundation** • Steamroller at FLUX Design, Milwaukee, WI  
**RedLine Milwaukee and Danceworks** • My Other Press is a STEAMROLLER, Fundraiser for RedLine

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS + REVIEWS

2017  
**ArtDose Art Guide** • Artist Interview, Sheboygan, WI  
**The Isthmus** • Interview with Steven Potter on Woodcut Workshops, Madison, WI  
**The Capital Times** • Artist Q&A: "Jenie Gao asks how our efforts can be focused 'In Unison,'" with Jason Joyce, Madison, WI  
**WORT 89.9 FM Radio** • Artist Interview, Madison, WI  
2016  
**Madison365** • Show Review of "Las Pioneras," Madison, WI  
**StudioVOX** • Featured Artist  
**BRAVA Magazine** • Featured Artist, Madison, WI  
2015  
**Graphic Impressions: The Newsletter of SGC International** • Featured Artist  
2014  
**365 Days 365 Artists: Collaborative Project Between Frank Juarez Gallery & Greymatter** • Featured Artist  
**Verse Wisconsin: Midwest Remix** • Featured Artist  
2012  
**Bay View Compass: Opportunity and creativity along Howell** • Business article, Milwaukee, WI  
**Artful Vagabond: Art Review** • Featured Artist, Washington County, NY  
**Creative Quarterly: The Journal of Art & Design** • Featured Artist, Brooklyn, NY  
**Aesthetica: Creative Works Annual 2012** • Finalist in Creative Works Competition, York, UK  
**Artbook MKE: Winter 11/12** • Featured Artist  
2011  
**StudioSTL** • Illustrator of *Walking with Skinned Knees: Stories of Perseverance*, St. Louis, MO

**The Art List** • Featured Artist of the Month: September 2011  
**ArtMail: Milwaukee** • Featured Artist  
**SGC International: Graphic Impressions Spring 2011** • Featured Artist  
**Milwaukee Journal Sentinel** • Mary Louise Schumacher's Art City, Review by Lonnie Turner  
2010  
**Milwaukee Journal Sentinel** • Reggie Baylor's Gallery Night Pick

#### ART COLLECTIONS

**University of Wisconsin-Madison** • Kohler Art Library, Madison, WI  
**Fundación ace** • Permanent Collection, Buenos Aires, Argentina  
**ME/TO/YOU** • Print Portfolio, Martins Ferry, OH  
**Matthew Campbell Gallery** • Permanent Collection, Greenville, SC  
**Washington University** • Special & Rare Books Collections, St. Louis, MO  
Multiple private collections in the US, Argentina, Australia, Denmark, and more

#### SELECTED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

##### **Jenie Gao Studio, LLC** • Artist, Creative Director, Curator

November 2014—present

###### **Clients include:**

*Working Draft Beer Company*  
*Promega BioPharmaceutical Center*  
*Madison Public Library*  
*BRAVA Magazine*  
*Dane County Cultural Affairs*  
*Dane Arts Mural Arts*

##### **Dane Arts Mural Arts (DAMA), Inc** • Operations, Program Manager, Lead Artist

January 2017—present

##### **Independent Consultant** • Lean Manufacturing, Project Management

November 2014—December 2016

*Accomplishments include \$350,000 annual savings in business operational expenses, with no employee's job or position affected because of streamlining in the business; implementing continuous training and building tools that teams and organizations can use long-term is always central to my work*

###### **Clients have included:**

*Documation (commercial printing, Eau Claire, WI)*  
*SMAGMedia (software company, Washington, DC)*  
*Planned Parenthood Wisconsin (Milwaukee, WI)*  
*Dane Arts Mural Arts (Madison, WI)*

##### **Western States Envelope & Label** • Lean Facilitator

Sun Prairie, WI, October 2013—September 2014

*Led continuous improvement projects that focused on improving work conditions and producing high quality work as efficiently and accurately as possible. One initiative focused on eliminating paperwork and consolidating all job information to one server location; this project took six weeks, cost \$2370 in time and software to implement, and resulted in a direct annual savings of \$49,801, ROI 15 days*