

Chana Stern
Artist Resume - CV

2024

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Education

2020 - 2024 Bachelor of Fine Arts in Painting and Computer Art Candidate.
University of Alaska Fairbanks, Fairbanks, Alaska.

Awards/Grants/Scholarships

2020 - 2024 Alaska Performance Scholarship. State of Alaska.
Alaska Education Grant. State of Alaska.

2023 - 2024 Chancellors List. University of Alaska Fairbanks,
Fairbanks, Alaska.

2020 - 2024 Dean's List. University of Alaska Fairbanks, Fairbanks,
Alaska.

2022 Student Speaker at Academic Induction. University of
Alaska Fairbanks, Fairbanks, Alaska.

Exhibitions

2024 *Pilgrimage of The Revenant*. University of Alaska
Fairbanks, Fairbanks, Alaska.

2024 *Student Art Show*. University of Alaska Fairbanks,
Fairbanks, Alaska.

2023 *Ursa Major Exhibition*. Ursa Major Distillery, Fairbanks,
Alaska.

2023 *Student Arts Alliance North March Exhibition*. The Wood
Center Student Union, University of Alaska Fairbanks,

Fairbanks, Alaska.

2022 *Student Invitational Art Show.* University of Alaska Fairbanks, Fairbanks, Alaska.

2020 *Virtual Student Art Show.* University of Alaska Fairbanks, Fairbanks, Alaska.

Professional Experience

2023 Art Designer. Down Future Couture, Manhattan, New York.

2023 Arts & Crafts Specialist. Elmwood Day School, White Plains, New York.

2018 - 2023 Independent Concept Artist. Fairbanks, Alaska

2022 - 2023 Assistant Resident Director. University of Alaska Fairbanks, Fairbanks, Alaska

Duties and Skills Utilized:

- > Coordinate large-scale events
- > Design and illustration for large-scale events
- > Provide art materials and other resources for students
- > Supervise resident assistants

2021 - 2023 Resident Assistant. University of Alaska Fairbanks, Fairbanks, Alaska

Duties and Skills Utilized:

- > Lead creative workshops
- > Manage student collaborations
- > Design and illustration for events

2017 - 2019 Child Care Provider. Lehigh Valley Healthcare Center, Allentown, Pennsylvania

Duties and Skills Utilized:

- > Design company logo design
- > Supervision and care for the client's children
- > Prepare social engagement and enrichment activities

Professional Affiliations

2022 - 2023 Treasurer, *Student Arts Alliance North*. University of Alaska
Fairbanks, Fairbanks, Alaska

Artist Biography

Chana Stern is a digital artist and painter from New Jersey. They are a Senior in the Bachelor of Fine Arts program at the University of Alaska Fairbanks. Stern uses rapid Staccato brush strokes in their acrylic paintings to record the feelings they held in their past. They also use methodical line work in their computer art to communicate the narrative of their pieces. Stern uses their experiences of being brought up in an ultra-orthodox religious community to convey the discomfort of being seen, closed in, and trapped from oneself or outside sources they experienced as a child. These influences give their pieces the uncanny look of gruesome adult subjects depicted through a naive lens.

Artist Statement

Accepting the past does not mean you have to relive it in a constant loop. I acknowledge and validate childhood trauma by creating pieces that act as a record of my past feelings, whilst confronting how I view those experiences now. I use humanized animal characters, distorting them to emphasize specific emotive qualities such as shame, fear, or vulnerability. Rats are a recurring motif that function as a proxy to communicate the internal, disjointed identity I experienced. My past issues with identity are still present, but quieter in my mind. I employ drawing, printmaking, and painting to express emotive mark making and divisionist brushwork to visualize the chaotic, unresolved nature of my current and past feelings.