

RAKIA JACKSON | Black Peace Art

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EDUCATION

East Carolina University August 2011-2015
Bachelor of Fine Arts in Graphic Design

WORK EXPERIENCE

HeARToscope, INC September 2022 - Present
Education Coordinator

Freelance Graphic Designer/Artist August 2015 - Present
Designer/Painter/Illustrator/Curator

SAIN Kava + Tea Bar May 2021 - March 2022
Manager

Emerge Gallery & Art Center, PCAC August 2015 - February 2020
Marketing Assistant/Graphic Designer/Gallery Attendant

Graphic Designer for Office for Equity and Diversity, ECU June 2015 - December 2015
Graphic Designer

RESIDENCY

The Art Lab: Innovation Station August 2020- June 2022

- Administered by the Pitt County Arts Council, with partners of A Time for Science, the City of Greenville, and East Carolina University's School of Art and Design

EXHIBITIONS

Golden Belt Juried Community Art Show - Golden Belt Arts
February 2024

Summits: The Beginning, End, & Beginning Again - 311 Art Gallery
January 2024

65th National Multi-Media Juried Art Exhibition - Imperial Centre for the Arts and Sciences
June - August 2023

Black Creatives of Pitt County - College of Fine Arts and Communication
January - February 2023

Summits: The Beginning, End, & Beginning Again - Savor, Art & Dine
November 2022

Bank of the Arts National Juried Exhibition - Craven Arts Council & Gallery
July - August 2022

Healing Beings Literary & Visual Arts Exhibition - The Art Lab
May 2022

Black & White Portrait Exhibition - The Art Lab
February 2022

Dazzle Fashion Art Show - The Art Lab

October 2021

Black Creatives of Pitt County Exhibition - Room 108 Community Art Gallery

September 2021

It's Science Exhibition - The Art Lab

September 2021

Spirit Exhibition - The Art Lab

June 2021

Black Creatives of Pitt County Exhibition - The Art Lab

May 2021

Paper Show - The Art Lab

April 2021

Black & White Exhibition - The Art Lab

February 2021

Reflections Exhibition - The Art Lab

January 2021

Black Peace Exhibition - Emerge Gallery & Art Center

September 2018

ECU, The Rebel 58 - Emerge Gallery & Art Center

October 2015

PUBLICATIONS

2023 **Womanifesto Issue 5**

2023 **FOR LOVERS ZINE Issue 1**

2023 **PITCH Magazine Issue 4**

2019 **PITCH Magazine Issue 1**

2015 **The Rebel 58**

PUBLIC ART

Emerald Loop Shelter at Town Common - "Legacy Unbound" March 2024

- Shelter that incorporates visual, audio and kinetic experience to commemorate the history of the Shore Drive neighborhood and the future of the Town Common
- Fabricated and assembled by Haddad/Drugan and Jeff Hudak
- Located at First Street, Greenville, NC

North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences at Greenville November 2023

- Nature themed mural for the Discovery Forest
- Located at 226 W. 8th Street in Greenville, NC

SERVE Coffee Bar January 2023

Collaborative Mural with Karena "Kidd" Graves and Raymond Henderson (The Buckets Crew)

- Located at Fleet Feet 207 E Arlington Blvd in Greenville, NC

HeARToscope Mural Project June 2022

Collaborative Mural with Karena "Kidd" Graves and Raymond Henderson (The Buckets Crew)

- Located at Eppes Recreation Center, 400 Nash Street in Greenville, NC
- Funded by HeARToscope's West Greenville Public Art + Mural Initiative

HeARToscope Mural Project May 2022

Collaborative Mural with Karena "Kidd" Graves and Raymond Henderson (The Buckets Crew)

- Located at 804 W. 5th Street in Greenville, NC
- Funded by HeARToscope's West Greenville Public Art + Mural Initiative

5th Street Hardware Restaurant & Taproom Mural April 2022

Collaborative Mural with Karena "Kidd" Graves and Raymond Henderson (The Buckets Crew)

- Located at 120 W 5th Street in Greenville, NC

Collards and Catfish Ayden, NC Mural August 2021

Collaborative Mural with Karena "Kidd" Graves and Raymond Henderson

- Located at 4096 West Avenue in Downtown Ayden, NC
- Funded by Pitt County Arts Council, in collaboration with JGLL Research Consulting and Properties

"A Great Place to be Outside" Parking Deck Mural June 2021

Collaborative Mural with Karena "Kidd" Graves

- Located at 4th Street side of the Uptown Greenville Parking Deck

Greenville 1st Street Mural December 2020

Collaborative Mural Project

- Working with 24 BIPOC artists to create a mural design
 - Designing and painting the letter S (in Racism) in a "Unite Against Racism" Mural
- Collaborative work with Emerge Gallery, NC Civil, and changes made by the city council of Greenville, NC

Black Voices Matter Murals June 2020

Window Murals previously at Emerge Gallery & Art Center

- Plywood panels covering Emerge windows from rioters during a peaceful protest in Uptown Greenville, NC
- Expression of thoughts and feelings after one of the many injustices happening in the black community.

CURATOR

Summits: The Beginning, End, and Beginning Again November 13-16, 2022

Savor Art and Dine, 2245 Stantonsburg Rd. STE O, Greenville, NC

Healing Beings Literary and Visual Arts Exhibition May 6 - 28 2022

The Art Lab, 729 Dickinson Avenue, Greenville, NC

- Created a call for entry for the show
- Designed digital and print flyers for marketing
- Curated an Open Mic and Live Performances with Beautiful Events by LaLa during opening reception
- Encompassed everything from installment of art, preparing labels and preparing for opening night reception

THANDO Solo Exhibition of Art by Thando Madi November 5 - 27, 2021
The Art Lab, 729 Dickinson Avenue, Greenville, NC

Featuring a collective entitled "COLOURZ" from South Africa based artist Thando Madi

- Contacted artist for set up of art
- Designed digital and print flyers for marketing
- Encompassed everything from installment of art, preparing labels and preparing for opening night reception

Black Creatives of Pitt County Exhibition September 6 -10, 2021
Room 108 Community Art Gallery, 108 Paris Avenue, Greenville, NC

Artworks from Black artists located in Pitt County, NC.

- Curated exhibit with Karena "Kidd" Graves
- Created a call for entry for the show
- Designed promotional flyers for exhibit.
- Contacted artists about drop off and pick up of works.
- Encompassed everything from choosing pieces for the show, installment of art, preparing labels and preparing for closing night.

Black Creatives of Pitt County Exhibition May 7 - 28, 2021
The Art Lab, 729 Dickinson Avenue, Greenville, NC

Exhibition highlighting the creative talents of the black creators who participated in the "Unite Against Racism", 1st Street Mural as well as joining members of BCPC.

- Created call for entry for the show
- Contacted artists about drop off and pick up of works
- Encompassed everything from installment of art, preparing labels and preparing for opening night reception

Reflections Exhibition January 1 - 29, 2021
The Art Lab, 729 Dickinson Avenue, Greenville, NC

Juried visual arts exhibition showcasing a reflection of self (friends, family, or community) and how they grew in the stillness of a pandemic, whether that be mentally, emotionally, and/or physically.

- Assisted in jurying of work alongside Liz Steiner, BJ Smith, Jacinday Aytch and Ryan Harper
- Created call for entry for the show
- Designed digital promotion
- Encompassed everything from installment of art, preparing labels and preparing for opening night reception

The Black Peace Exhibition September 7 - 28, 2018
Emerge Gallery & Art Center, 404 S Evans Street, Greenville, NC

A collaborative exhibition featuring works from Bryce Chapman, Shayla Thornton and I

- Co-curated with Emerge Gallery & Art Center

- Designed promotional materials for exhibition.
- Assisted in the installment of art
- Preparing labels

AWARDS

Artist Support Grant 2021-2022

Artist Support Grant 2020-2021

REFERENCES

Deborah Sheppard CEO of HeARToscope, INC

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