

Aytac | Davids Collective Resume 2020

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Education:

2014-2015 West Texas A&M University Master of Fine Art, Glass

2014 Spring ESLI West Texas A&M University

2012-2013 Novy Bor Glass School (Czech Republic) Two semesters of glass blowing classes

2004-2010 Marmara University (Turkey) Fine Art Faculty - Sculpture

2000-2004 Edremit High School (Turkey)

Languages:

-Turkish

-English

Work Experience:

Aytac | Davids Collective 2016 - Present

Glass Art Kalamazoo Studio/Programming Manager 2016 - Present

Baigelman Glass, Assistant Glass Blower 2016

WTAMU Environmental Health and Safety Department Assistant 2014-2015

The Glass Furnace (Cam Ocagi Vakfi) Event Coordinator, Istanbul, Turkey 2011-2012

Exhibitions:

February 2021, Glass Coast Weekend SPLASH virtual exhibition, St Petersburg, FL
January 2021, OP / Art Exhibition, Imagine Museum, St Petersburg, FL
December 2020, SOFA / Intersect Chicago, Chicago, IL
November 2020, Glass Art Fair with Habatat Galleries, MI
October 2020, Aytac | Davids Collective Solo Exhibition with Habatat Galleries, MI
May 2020, Glass 48 Habatat Direct Virtual Exhibition, Royal Oak, MI
2020, Michigan Hot Glass 2020 Winter Invitational,
2020, Habatat Prime, SPLASH,
2019, May ArtBreak Artist Talk Speakers, Kalamazoo Institute of Arts, Kalamazoo-MI, USA
2019, West Michigan Area Show, Kalamazoo Institute of Arts, Kalamazoo-MI, USA
2019, Set and Setting Revised (Aytac | Davids Collective Exhibition), Reflections Gallery, Kalamazoo-MI
2019, Set and Setting (Aytac | Davids Collective Exhibition), Southwest Michigan College, Dowagiac-MI, USA
2018, Holiday Artisan Market, Design Quest, Grand Rapids-MI, USA
2018, Box Factory: Collaborative Nature, St Joseph-MI, USA
2017, Degree Glass 1-year exhibition at Glass Art Kalamazoo, Kalamazoo-MI, USA
2016, Something Fishy Glass Exhibition at Water Street Glassworks, Benton Harbor-MI, USA
2015 Mixed Media Mixed Exhibition, Sunset Center Vermillion, Amarillo-TX, USA
2015 Route 66 Glass Gallery Exhibition, Amarillo-TX, USA
2015 AC/WT Mixed Student Exhibition, West Texas A&M University, Amarillo-TX, USA
2014 Fall Sunset Gallery Graduate Students Exhibition, West Texas A&M University, Canyon-TX
2014 Suma-Han Garden Exhibition, Suma-Han Gallery, Istanbul-Turkey
2014 AC/WT Student and Faculty Show, West Texas A&M University, Amarillo-TX, USA
2010 Marmara University Undergraduate Student Exhibition, Marmara University Fine Arts Faculty
Istanbul-Turkey
2008 "Gossip Works" Mixed Student Exhibition, Marmara University Fine Arts Faculty, Istanbul-Turkey

Awards/Grants:

2019 Eclectic Glass Guild of Southwest Michigan Award for Glass in the West Michigan Area Artists
Exhibition at the Kalamazoo Institute of Art
2019 Glass Blowers Battle Bronson Sculpture throwdown winner with team Wildcard
2019 Glass Blowers Battle Bronson Sculpture throwdown runner up with team GAK

2018 Glass Blowers Battle Bronson Sculpture throwdown runner up
2018 Kalamazoo Arts Council, KADI Professional Development Project Grant, Katrina Hude Studios,
Visiting Artist
2015 WTAMU Best Student Research Award
2015 AC/WT Student Exhibition Best Graduate Price
2014 GAS Online International Student Exhibition
2014-2015 WTAMU Graduate Scholarship

Related Experience:

2016 – 2020, Resident Artist at Glass Art Kalamazoo, Kalamazoo-MI, USA
2016, Guest Artist at Water Street Glassworks, Benton Harbor-MI, USA
2016, Guest Artist at West Michigan Glass Art Center for First Friday Art Hop, Kalamazoo-MI, USA
2016 Modeling for Simone Kestelman, GAS Glass Fashion Show, Corning Museum of Glass, Corning-NY,
USA
2015 Laura Donefer Corning Glass Blowing Demo assistant, SOFA Chicago-IL, USA
2015 Ignite Glass Night, Laura Donefer Glass Blowing Demo assistant
2015 Night Blow Show with Laura Donefer assistant, WTAMU University
2015 WTAMU Student Research Conference First Price in Fine Arts
2014 Summer Katrina Hude studio, assistant
2013 The Glass Furnace, Intensive Summer Workshops, Istanbul-Turkey Holly Cooper, Bead making assistant
2012 The Glass Furnace, Intensive Summer Workshops, Istanbul-Turkey Tom Galbraith, Flameworking
assistant
2012 The Glass Furnace, Intensive Summer Workshops, Istanbul-Turkey Ursula Distler, Bead making assistant
2010 Newbridge Studios Art Projects, Newcastle-England
2009 Kadıköy Belediyesi, Kids Festival, Clay Sculpture Instructor, Istanbul-Turkey
2005 Zeytinli Belediyesi Olive Festival, Sculpture Symposium, Artists Coordinator, Zeytinli-Turkey
2004 Zeytinli Belediyesi Olive Festival, Artist, Zeytinli-Turkey
2003 Zeytinli Belediyesi Olive Festival, Assistant, Zeytinli-Turkey

Joshua Davids

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Education

West Texas A&M University, Canyon, Texas
Master of Fine Arts in Glass and Sculpture*

Regis University, Denver, CO
Bachelor of Arts in Visual Arts
Minor: Business Administration, marketing

Goldsmiths University of London

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May 2020, Glass 48 Habatat Direct Virtual Exhibition, Royal Oak, MI
March 2020, Michigan Hot Glass Winter Invitational, Detroit, MI
February 2020, SPLASH at Glass Coast Weekend, Habatat Gallery, Sarasota, FL
May 2019, ArtBreak Artist Lecture, Kalamazoo Institute of Arts, Kalamazoo, Michigan
May 2019, West Michigan Area Show, Kalamazoo Institute of Arts, Kalamazoo, Michigan
May 2019, Set and Setting Revised (Aytac | Davids Collective Exhibition), Reflections Gallery, Kalamazoo, Michigan
March 2019, Set and Setting (Aytac | Davids Collective Exhibition), Southwest Michigan College, Dowagiac, Michigan
December 2018, Tree of Life Chandelier, WMED Campus, Kalamazoo, MI
November 2018, Design Quest, Grand Rapids, Michigan
September 2018, Box Factory: Collaborative Nature, St Joseph, Michigan
November 2017, Aytac | Davids 1 year exhibition at Glass Art Kalamazoo, Kalamazoo, Michigan
June 2016, Water Street Glassworks, Benton Harbor, Michigan
May – June 2016, Guest Artist at Water Street Glassworks, Benton Harbor, Michigan
March – May 2016, Guest Artist at West Michigan Glass Art Center for First Friday Art Hop, Kalamazoo, Michigan
April 2014, Infernal Methods MFA Thesis, Mary Moody Northen Hall Gallery, Canyon, Texas
April 2014, AC/WT Show, Amarillo Museum of Art, Amarillo, Texas
March 2014, Vitromoda, Fort Worth, Texas

Related Experience

Aytac | Davids Collective 2016 – Present

- Gaffer and Designer with partner Ekin Aytac

Glass Art Kalamazoo 2016 – 2020

- Studio Manager / Marketing Manager – responsible for all maintenance, equipment planning and building, developing marketing strategies, materials, and more.
- Lead glass blowing instructor for all class levels, instrumental in program planning and development
- Resident Artist

Route 66 Glass 2015

- Conceived and created a glass gallery in Amarillo, TX
- Presided over fundraising, construction, management, business planning, and all aspects of gallery development

Guinn Color 2014 – 2016

- Graphic and Web design, marketing, and management consultation

Blake Street Glass 2014 - 2015

- Gaffers assistant, extensive production blowing and cold working, studio and equipment maintenance

Katrina Hude Glass 2012 - 2014

- Assisted in facilitating and producing works for Katrina Hude during her residency at West Texas A&M University and at her studio on Whidbey Island, WA

The Glass Furnace in Istanbul, Turkey 2013

- Assisted Rob Stern and Jiří Pačinek during extensive summer course
- Works completed for the Final Show of an extensive summer course became a permanent installation
- Assisted Janusz Pozniac and John Hedrick during extensive summer course
- Assisted Mehmet Kömürçü and The Glass Furnace production team

Carlyn Ray Designs 2012 - 2013

- Assisted in facilitating and producing works for Carlyn Ray during her residency at West Texas A&M University
- Duties included glass blowing, studio maintenance, cold working, finishing, and hanging

Process Art House 2012 - 2013

* Masters degree was pending review of written thesis when program was shut down.

