

# JORDAN BLANKENSHIP CV

## CERAMIC ARTIST + DESIGNER

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## EDUCATION & EXPOSURE

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**2020-2021: MFA, University Of Massachusetts** Graduation May 2022

**2019-20: PBC, University Of Massachusetts Dartmouth**

**2017: BA, Florida Gulf Coast University,** Recognized Honors With Distinction GPA: 3.99

Major Art / Minor in Digital Design

**2015: International Studies University of South Florida,** Paris, France - Art History Seminar

**International Studies La Biennial di Venezia, Art Internship and Seminar.**

Venice, Italy

## AWARDS

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**2020-21: UMD Retirement Association Scholarship**

**2017: Inducted Florida Gulf Coast University Hall Of Fame** The Highest Recognition Reserved for those who have demonstrated superior leadership, integrity and achievement.

**2016: Recipient, Seidler Research Fellowship Grant:**

Pursued undergraduate research through into Soda/Gas/Wood electric kiln conversion.

**2014-2016: Florida Gulf Coast University Honors Scholarship**

**2013-2014: Cecile Liston Wang**

**2013: Admissions Merit Scholarship**

## DESIGN WORK

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**2019-2021 Designer, Kaleidoscope Floral,** Naples, FL Collaboration domestic product

**2021: Designer, Wald & Sea** Newport, RI

**Designer, Kristiina Taylor** North Bend, OR

**Designer, Pepperstreet Studios** Naples, FL

Product design for a series of candle holder designs, sold throughout southern regions.

**2020 Wholesale, Stamm and Black** Acton, MA interior design home decor store

**Wholesale, Yin Yang Tea Co.** Jacksonville, FL

**Wholesale, Starts at Sundown** E-Commerce

## RELATED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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### **2020-21: Ceramics Technician, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth**

Managed the studios: administrative duties included repairing kilns, supervising committed, and material orders.

### **2019-21: Sole Proprietor, Jordan Blankenship Handcrafted Ceramics**

Oversee and manage production of functional line of ceramics. In charge of Managing inventory and designing custom lines.

### **2020-21: Treasurer, University of Massachusetts Ceramics Club**

In charge of the budget and events. Special attention towards managing fundraising and sales.

### **2017: Presenter, Students Perspectives Mini Heat 2: Accessible Atmospheres**

NCECA Conference- Portland, OR. This session was a forum on accessible strategies for atmospheric firings.

### **2017-2019: Art Director, Clay More Ceramics**

I ran the business operations at Claymore, duties included helping the resident artists and taught intro ad intermediate courses. I coordinated monthly events and workshops. Serve in an administrative roles such as: supervising staff, assisting with hiring process, and training.

### **2019: Workshop Presenter, Surface Design Workshop** Naples, FL

### **2016-2019: Coordinator, Naples Empty Bowls**

Volunteer Position raising money to fight food insecurity. Helping organization reach their goal of 4,500 bowls each year. I coordinate monthly events and manage the production line.

### **2014-2017: President, Arts Exploration Club**

In charge of the Club operations, travel, and fundraising. Planned group trips to events such as Art Basel and travel accommodations to conferences for students.

### **2015-2016: Treasurer, University Design Group**

### **2015: Internship, Florida Gulf Coast University**

Student Intern organizer for the Annual FGCU Empty Bowls Event. Raised over \$5000.00 each year for food insecurity in our neighborhood through collaboration with Interfaith Charities of South Lee.

## EXHIBITIONS

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**2021: Juried Applied Contemporary: Form & Function** Oakland, CA ( JUROR: Christa Assad)

**2020: Juried Clay Center of New Orleans: Function Fest** New Orleans, LA (JUROR: Martha Grover)

**2020: CVPA Feature Jordan Blankenship**

**2018: Juried Bonita Springs Art Center: Black & White Exhibition** Bonita Springs, FL

**2017: Senior Project Exhibition Structuring Light** Fort Myers, FL

**2017: 19th Annual Juried Student Art Exhibition** Fort Myers, FL

**2016: Project Vanishing Visible Part of Collaboration with Artist Residency**

Micheal Massaro. Fort Myers, FL

**2016: 18th Annual Juried Student Art Exhibition** Fort Myers, FL

**2015: 17th Annual Juried Student Art Exhibition** Fort Myers, FL

## WORKSHOPS AND CONTINUED EDUCATION

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### 2015-2021 NCECA Member

**2019: Craft and Legacy: Writing a History, Preserving a Field** Deer Isle, Maine: The 2019 Haystack Summer Conference

**2019: The Complete Lisa Orr** Naples, FL

**Steven Hill "Throwing, Assembling, Finishing, Atmospheric-Like Effects for Electric Firings."** Bonita Springs, FL

**2018: Surface Design with Molly Hatch** Northampton, MA

**Slip Trailing with Anabel Johnson Provided assistance with workshop** Naples, FL

**5th Annual Florida Heat: Surface Design** Morean Center for Clay. St. Petersburg, FL

## SKILLS

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**Microsoft Office:** Word, Power-point, Excel

**Adobe Cloud Suite:** Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign

**Knowledge and understanding of kiln design** experience with wood, gas and electric firings.

**Executed designs for production** managing multiple product orders while staying organized and meeting deadlines.

**Served in an administrative role** skills in a managing studio and class scheduling. Experience Leading members and resident artist.

Strong Problem Solving skills / Strong Interpersonal skills / Strong leaderships skills