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Awards

Gold Cube, Art Director's Club 2023 Awarded to the immersive site for fossora.

People's Voice, Webby Awards 2023 Awarded to the immersive site for fossora.

World's Best in-House Creative Agency, Art Director's Club 2023 Presented to Squarespace's brand team.

World's Best-Designed Print Newspaper, Society for News Design 2022 Awarded to The New York Times print team.

TDK Award, The Design Kids 2020 Recognized as one of 30 top emerging design talents worldwide.

Exhibitions

Please be cautious! Collaborative ventures are always fraught with problems! Tate Britain, 2025

Between the Lines St. Louis Artist's Guild, 2025

Speaking

Tools for Collaboration, Common Fields Convening 2021 Co-led a workshop exploring strategies for grassroots co-creation in the arts.

Circle Live: Design Trend Report 2023 Briefed a creative audience on emergent visual trends on the livestreamed show.

Writing

The Creative Independent 2022 ACOMPI on the Power of Building

Something with Friends

The Creative Independent 2021 Worker-Owned Studio Partner & Partners on Building Tools for Better Worlds

Select Projects

Acuity Scheduling Rebrand and Relaunch, Squarespace 2023 - 2024

For Squarespace's scheduling arm, designed an identity that responds dynamically to the passage of time, and launched the new visual voice with a global campaign.

Venn Diagramm 2022 - Ongoing

Co-founded and co-operate the experimental publishing initiative. Work for Venn Diagramm has appeared at Press Play and in New York Magazine.

fossora, Björk 2022

Built a lush, labyrinthine virtual environment for the Grammy-nominated album.

Print Design Refresh, The New York Times 2020 – 2022

Worked with the Directors of Print Design to codify the visual vocabulary of the print newspaper, introducing new storytelling tools and improving existing ones.

Experience

Independent Practice 2016 - present

Interdisciplinary work specializing in culturally and civically engaged projects of all scales. Clients include Kickstarter, Princeton University, and The Baffler.

Visual Designer, Squarespace 2022-2024

Versatile contributor to the brand design team, owning or co-owning identities, campaigns, collateral, digital interfaces, photoshoots, and artist collaborations.

Designer and Art Director, The New York Times 2020 – 2022

Worked on design and art direction for the newspaper, collaborating across the newsroom to build layouts and commission illustrations for print and digital usage.

Designer, The Creative Independent 2020 - 2022

Web design and special projects for The Creative Independent, a repository of advice for creative people. Continued freelance collaboration since 2022.

Practicum Researcher, The Guggenheim Museum 2020

Participant in the Guggenheim's inaugural research practicum, focusing on social good, sustainability, and creative practice for grassroots change.

Education

MA in Visual Communications Royal College of Art, 2025 **BFA in Communications Design** Washington University, 2020

Software		Skills	
Adobe Illustrator	Figma	Art direction	Typography
Adobe InDesign	Glyphs	Graphic design	Visual Identity
Adobe Photoshop	VSCode	Editorial layout	Web design
Adobe Lightroom	Newsgate	Front-end code	Writing