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EDUCATION

Master of Fine Arts of Studio Arts, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN
Bachelor of Fine Arts of Studio Arts, Wayne State College, Wayne, NE

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2026-Current **Teaching Artist**
Zygote Press, Cleveland, OH

2026-Current **Production Potter and Kiln Operator**
White Squirrel Clay Works, Oberlin, OH

2023-2026 **Instructor of Record**
Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN

2024-2026 **Printmaking Studio Technician**
Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN

2023-2024 **Figure Drawing Session Leader**
Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN

2022-2023 **Studio Building Monitor**
Wayne State College Studio Art Building, Wayne, NE

2022 **Gallery Assistant**
Nordstrand Visual Arts Gallery, Wayne State College, Wayne, NE

AWARDS & GRANTS

2026 **Distinguished Master's Creative Work Award**, for *Tender Remains*, *Taxidermy*, *Intimacy*, and *the Art of Care in Preservation*, College of Liberal Arts, Purdue University

MAPC Project Materials Grant, Mid America Print Council, Baton Rouge, LA

2025 **PROMISE Grant for Graduate Research**, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN

Delta Phi Delta Award, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN

2024 **PROMISE Grant for Graduate Research**, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN

2023 **PROMISE Grant for Graduate Research**, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN

Best in Show, *Juried Student Exhibit*, Nordstrand Visual Arts Gallery, Wayne State College, Wayne, NE (Juror: Russ Nordman)

Second Place, *16th Annual Juried Competition*, Norfolk Arts Center, Norfolk, NE (Juror: Eddie Dominguez)

2022 **Honorable Mention**, *Local Perspectives*, Sioux City Art Center, Sioux City, IA (Juror: Christopher Atkins)

Best in Show, *15th Annual Juried Competition*, Norfolk Arts Center, Norfolk, NE (Juror: Beatrice Rodriguez)

Honorable Mention, *Juried Student Exhibit*, Wayne, NE (Juror: Howard Paine)

2021 **Best in Show**, *Wayne State College Juried Print Exhibition*, Wayne, NE (Juror: Sarah Lemmon)

Speedball Scholarship, *Wayne State College Juried Print Exhibition*, Wayne, NE (Juror: Sarah Lemmon)

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2026 ***The Body Broken Down: Resurrective Kinships***, Norfolk Arts Center,

- Norfolk, NE (Forthcoming)
Tender Remains, Patti and Rusty Rueff Gallery, PAO Hall, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN
 2025 ***The Survival of the Not-So-Fittest***, Robert B. and Patricia Peyton Truitt Gallery, The Arts Federation, Lafayette, IN

GROUP & JURIED EXHIBITIONS

- 2027 ***Flora, Fauna, Flesh***, works by Zoe Nicole Nielsen, Rebekah Hurst, Elizabeth DeForest, and Emily Short at Buckham Gallery, Flint, MI (Forthcoming)
- 2026 ***Juried Members' Exhibition***, Mid America Print Council, Clark and Laura Boyce Gallery, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA (Juror: Brandon V. Lewis) (Forthcoming)
Knowing Beings, Mid America Print Council, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA (Forthcoming)
Death by Landscape, Flatline Gallery, Chicago, IL (Forthcoming)
Altared Forms, works by Zoe Nicole Nielsen, Adrienne Weiss, Madeliene Burns, and Katherine Finkelstein at Alchemy Art Center Art Dome, Friday Harbor, WA
Grief Work, Material Contemporary Gallery, Milwaukee, WI
Renewal, Victoria Phillips Studio and Gallery, Dalton, GA
P-punk 2, The Low Pressure Creative, Chicago, IL
- 2025 ***Terraform***, Site-Specific Installations within Martell Research Forest, West Lafayette, IN
MAPC Members Exhibition, Gardiner Gallery of Art, Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, OK (Juror: Delita Martin)
College Invitational, Indy Art Center, Indianapolis, IN
FLPS Biennial Exhibition, Miami-Dade College, Kendall Campus, Miami, FL (Juror: Kobe Elixson)
Print A Bird On It!, Puertograbando, Southern Graphics Council International, San Juan, Puerto Rico, and at Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ
Eros & Thanatos, Buckham Gallery, Flint, MI
Anything That Moves, Virtual Exhibition (Jurors: Graduate Students from the University of Montana, Missoula and Montana State University, Bozeman)
Delta National Small Prints Exhibition, Bradbury Art Museum, Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, AR (Juror: Pedro Barbeito)
Sixty Square Inches XXI, Ringell Gallery, Stewart Center, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN (Juror: Minna Resnick)
- 2024 ***12th International Print Exhibition***, Remarque Print Workshop, Albuquerque, NM
Alumni and Faculty Exhibit, Nordstrand Visual Arts Gallery, Wayne State College, Wayne, NE
Kingdom, Manifest Gallery, Cincinnati, OH
Rites of Passage, Manifest Gallery, Cincinnati, OH
Layers, Beyond Gallery, Lafayette, IN
17th Annual Juried Show, Norfolk Arts Center, Norfolk, NE (Juror: Turner McGehee)
Artisans Along the Avenue, Fine Art Auction, Norfolk Arts Center, Norfolk, NE
917 Conclusion Pop-Up Exhibition, 917 North 9th St, Lafayette, IN
National Society of Arts and Letters Visual Arts Exhibition, FAR

2023	Center for Contemporary Arts, Bloomington, IN Disconnected , Thieme and Adair Building, 664 Main St, Lafayette, IN 917 Pop-Up Exhibition , 917 North 9th St, Lafayette, IN Juried Student Exhibit , Nordstrand Visual Arts Gallery, Wayne State College, Wayne, NE (Juror: Russ Nordman) What Lies Beneath , Nordstrom Visual Arts Gallery, Wayne State College, Wayne, NE 16th Annual Juried Competition , Norfolk Arts Center, Norfolk, NE (Juror: Eddie Dominguez) Artisans Along the Avenue , Fine Art Auction and Fundraiser, Norfolk Arts Center, Norfolk, NE Artisans Along the Avenue , Vendor, Norfolk Arts Center, Norfolk, NE
2022	Under 200 Exhibit , Blue Cat Gallery & Studio, Wayne, NE Friends and Family Opening Exhibit , Blue Frog Tattoo and Gallery, Omaha, NE Local Perspectives , Sioux City Art Center, Sioux City, IA (Juror: Christopher Atkins) Juried Student Exhibit , Nordstrand Visual Arts Gallery, Wayne State College, Wayne, NE (Juror: Howard Paine) 15th Annual Juried Competition , Norfolk Arts Center, Norfolk, NE (Juror: Beatrice Rodriguez) ARTcetera 2022 , Fine Art Auction and Fundraiser, Sioux City Art Center, Sioux City, IA
2021	Postcards from the Edge , Virtual Exhibition and Auction, New York, NY Under 200 Exhibit , Blue Cat Gallery & Studio, Wayne, NE Juried Student Exhibit , Nordstrand Visual Arts Gallery, Wayne State College, Wayne, NE (Juror: John Timothy Pizzuto) Juried Print Exhibition , Studio Arts Building, Wayne State College, Wayne, NE (Juror: Sarah Lemmon)
2018-19	Eastern Midlands Conference and Exhibition , Hot Shops Art Center, Omaha, NE

PUBLICATIONS

2026	Nielsen, Zoe Nicole. Tender Remains: Taxidermy, Intimacy, and the Art of Care in Preservation . Blurb, 2026. ISBN 9798240639852
2025	Boner, Professional. "Zoe Nicole Nielsen." Boner Magazine (Taxidermy, Oddities) , 20 Sept. 2025. Gardylloo. "Artist Spotlight - Zoe Nicole Nielsen." The Gardylloo Magazine , June 2025.
2024	Histelberger, Brian. I Remember Walking Down a Hallway . Edition of 50, Two Steps Press, 2024. Cote, Samantha. "Zoe Nicole Nielsen." Maker Magazine , Feb. 2024. Inaugural Issue.

UNDERGRADUATE TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Purdue University:

2026	Relief Printmaking Spring AD26500-001
2025	Beginning Painting Fall AD20000-002 3-Dimensional Design Summer AD10600-001 3-Dimensional Design Spring AD10600-008
2024	Beginning Drawing Fall AD11000-010 Beginning Drawing Spring AD11000-001 Beginning Drawing Spring AD11000-004

2023 **Beginning Drawing** Fall AD11000-007
Beginning Drawing Fall AD11000-010

WORKSHOP TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2026 **Mold Making and Pewter Keepsake Casting**, Alchemy Art Center,
Friday Harbor, WA
Mouse Taxidermy (sessions 1 and 2), Alchemy Art Center, Friday
Harbor, WA
Intaglio Electro Etching, Alchemy Art Center, Friday Harbor, WA
2025 **Printing Creativi-tee! (sessions 1 and 2)**, Grandparents University,
Purdue For Life Alumni Foundation, West Lafayette, IN
2023 **Artists Driven! A Focus on Mixed Media**, Norfolk Arts Center, Norfolk,
NE
Figure Drawing (sessions 1 and 2), High School Art Day, Wayne State
College, Wayne, NE

RESIDENCIES & WORKSHOPS

2027 **Artist in Residence** (March-May), Hatfield Marine Science Center, Oregon
State University, Newport, OR (Forthcoming)
2026 **Teaching Artist in Residence** (Spring), Alchemy Art Center, Friday
Harbor, WA
Introduction to Wool Spinning with Adrienne Renee Weiss, Alchemy Art
Center, Friday Harbor, WA
Visible Mending and Creative Altering with Katey Rissi, Alchemy Art
Center, Friday Harbor, WA
Photolithography with Erin Wohletz, Frogman's Printmaking Workshops,
University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

ARTIST TALKS

2026 **2026 Artist Talk Series, Cohort 1**, The San Juan Islands Museum of Art,
Friday Harbor, WA
Tender Remains, Patti and Rusty Rueff Gallery, PAO Hall, Purdue
University, West Lafayette, IN
2025 **Student Lightning Talk**, Puertograbando, Southern Graphics Council
International Conference, San Juan, PR
2024 **Artists Driven! A Focus on Mixed Media**, Norfolk Arts Center, Norfolk,
NE

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

2026-Present **Zygote Press**, Member
2025- Present **Mid America Print Council**, Member
2024-Present **Southern Graphics Council International**, Member

COLLECTIONS

The San Juan Islands Museum of Art in Friday Harbor, WA (Digital Archive of Artist in
Residence Work)
Bernard A. Zuckerman Museum of Art at Kennesaw State University in Kennesaw, GA

CURATORIAL EXPERIENCE

2027 *Flora, Fauna, Flesh*, Curator, Buckham Gallery, Flint, MI (Forthcoming)
2026 *Altared Forms*, Co-Curator, Alchemy Art Center Art Dome, Friday Harbor,
WA
Co-jury assist for printmaking submissions, *Art and Design Undergraduate*

	<i>Exhibition</i> , Robert L. Ringel Gallery, Stewart Center, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN
2025	Jury Member, The Arts Federation 2026-27 Gallery Series, Lafayette, IN
2024	Co-Curator, <i>917 Conclusion Pop-Up Exhibition</i> , 917 North 9th St, Lafayette, IN