

Ashley Diane Saldana

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EDUCATION

- 2023 **New Mexico State University**, Las Cruces, NM.
Masters of Fine Arts in Studio Art
- 2014-2017 **University of North Florida**, Jacksonville, FL.
Bachelor of Fine Arts in Photography, Minor in Art History.
- 2016 **University of North Florida**, Jacksonville, FL.
Study Abroad in Italy (Summer Session)
- 2011-2014 **College of Southern Maryland**, La Plata, MD.
Associate of Arts and Sciences in Photography

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2022 -2023 **3D Technology and Fabrication Lab Technician**, Jornada Experimental Range,
Las Cruces, NM. - (Contract Position - Laser Cutting Rulers)
Summer (June-August)
Winter (December-January)
- 2022 **3D Technology Technician**, Artist Assistant/Apprentice for Julia Barello.
Laser Cut X-Ray film for Installation
- STEM Summer Instructor**, Cruces Creatives, Las Cruces, NM.
Classes Include: 3D Printing, Laser Cutting, Cyanotypes and Instant Film.
- 2021 **Photo Editor**, Campaign X. (Contract Position)
- 2020-2023 **Instructor of Record**, New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM.
Introduction to Photography, Fall 2021, Spring 2022, Fall 2022
- Teaching Assistant**, New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM.
Introduction to Metals, Spring 2022
Art History II: Fall 2020, Spring 2021
Orientation to Art: Fall 2020, Spring 2021
Writing in Art: Spring 2021
- Graduate Assistant**, New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM.
Ceramics: Fall 2020, Spring 2023
Photography: Fall 2020
Technology and Fabrication Lab, Fall 2021, Spring 2022, Fall 2022, Spring 2023
Safety: Spring 2023
- 2016-2017 **Photo Lab Technician**, University of North Florida, Jacksonville Florida.

- 2012-2014 **Photo Lab Technician**, College of Southern Maryland, La Plata, MD.
- 2012-2014 **Gallery Assistant**, Tony Hungerford Memorial Art Gallery, College of Southern Maryland, La Plata, MD.

SELECTED COLLABORATIONS & PROJECTS

- 2023 **Electric Collections, a collaboration** with Karly Jean Kainz.
- 2022 **Conditions of Control**, a collaboration with Karly Jean Kainz, CAV Gallery, Las Cruces, NM.
In conjunction with the installation, we designed and hand built ceramic mugs with the CAV gallery branding laser engraved on the surface.
- Please Love Me**, in collaboration with Alex Nipper, Carlos Lee Sullivan and Karly Jean Kainz of Low Clearance Lab Collective, Cruces Creatives, Las Cruces, NM.

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2023 **Echoes of an Empty Space: 2023 MFA Thesis Exhibition**, University Art Museum, Las Cruces, NM.
Lushly Satellite, The Green House, Iowa City, IA.
2023 Juried Student Show, University Art Museum, New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM.
NCECA Lushly, Fern Shop, Cincinnati, OH.
- 2022 **Congruent Forms**, Lunaticus Galerie, Truth or Consequences, NM.
Small Rituals and Strange Memories, Casa Otro, Mesilla, NM.
University Art Museum Student Juried Show, University Art Museum, Las Cruces, NM. (Potters Guild Award)
- 2021 **A Matter of Time**, Serrafino Collaboration Space, NMSU, Las Cruces, NM.
From the Ground Up XXX: Regional Juried Ceramics Exhibition, Las Cruces Museum of Art, Las Cruces, NM.
University Art Museum Juried Student Show, University Art Museum, Las Cruces, NM.
- 2016 **UNF Photo Club Annual Show**, Monroe Gallery, Jacksonville, FL.
- 2015 **UNF Photo Club Annual Show**, Monroe Gallery, Jacksonville, FL.
- 2014 **The Blue Show**, Tony Hungerford Memorial Gallery, La Plata, MD.
Annual Student Juried Art Show, Tony Hungerford Memorial Art Gallery, La Plata, MD.
Waldorf West Library Gallery Spring Exhibition, Waldorf, MD.
Waldorf West Library Gallery Winter Exhibition, Waldorf, MD.
- 2013 **Independent Study Showcase**, Walter B. Grove Memorial Art Gallery, La Plata, MD.
Annual Student Juried Art Show, Tony Hungerford Memorial Art Gallery, La Plata, MD. Purchase Prize
Out of the Blue Exhibition, The Impossible Project Space, New York City, New York.
- 2012 **Holden: Timeless in an Instant Exhibition**, The Impossible Project Space, New York City, New York.
All Media Exhibit, Mattawoman Creek Art Center, Smallwood State Park, Marbury, MD.
Rural America, Mattawoman Creek Art Center, Smallwood State Park, Marbury, MD.
18th Annual Juried Art Show, Mattawoman Creek, Smallwood State Park, Marbury, MD.
Annual Student Juried Art Show, Tony Hungerford Memorial Gallery, La Plata, MD.

PUBLICATIONS & FEATURES

- 2013 **Impossible Spectrum Collection Postcard Set**, Multiple Artists, Impossible Spectrum Collection - 100 Instant Film Postcards, United States, Potter Style, 2013.
- 2013 **8 Exposures with Ashley Saldana**, The Impossible Project Blog. ImpossibleProject.com (no longer active)
- 2012 **Instant Summer**, 2012-56: Ashley D. Saldana, Analog Photography at its Best by Paul Giambarba. Posted 8/14/2012. https://giam.typepad.com/analog_photography_at_its/2012/08/

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

- 2023 **Outstanding Graduate Student Award**, New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM.
- 2022 **Outstanding Graduate Student Grant**, New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM.
- 2021 **Preparing Future Faculty Grant**, New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM.
- 2013 **Walter B. Grove Memorial Art Scholarship**, College of Southern Maryland, La Plata, MD.
- 2013 **Tony Hungerford Memorial Art Gallery**, College of Southern Maryland, La Plata, MD.

COLLECTIONS

- 2013 Private Collection, College of Southern Maryland, La Plata, MD.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- 2022- **Society of Photographic Education (SPE)**, Southwest Chapter.
National Council on Education for the Ceramic Arts (NCECA)
- 2021- **Potters Guild of Las Cruces**, Las Cruces, NM.
EcoArtSpace, Santa Fe, NM.