

Lydia Berndt

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EDUCATION

Colorado State University, Fort Collins CO May 2021
Bachelor of Fine Arts, Concentration in Art Education

QUALIFICATIONS

Colorado Initial Teacher License, PK-12 Art May 2021
Texas Standard Teaching License, PK-12 Art June 2024
Level I New Mexico Teacher License, PK-12 Art June 2022
Praxis Exam: Completed and Passed May
2020

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Ernest Stapleton Elementary, Rio Rancho, NM August 2022-Current
Teacher

- Teaching 850 students ages kindergarten through 5th grade.
- Creating social media page to promote students work in the community
- Hosting Professional development, and starting community fundraisers to promote visual arts.
- Engaged students in community based projects and focusing on finding students voices.

Thomas Edison High School, San Antonio, TX August 2021-June 2022
Teacher

- Taught Art 1, Drawing 1,2, & 3, Painting 1,2,3, & 4
- Led students in multiple art competitions including VASE, Muertos Fest, and Restored by Light
- Mentored weekly art club, hosted Professional developments, and helped lead other student activities.
- Engaged students in culturally relevant art projects and focusing on community projects.

Alamo Heights High School, San Antonio, TX March 2021- May 2021
Student Teacher

- Taught Art 1 and Ceramics 2,3, & 4
- Created lessons to promote deeper knowledge on ceramic and sculpture techniques
- Focused on social justice and local artists as inspiration for projects
- Encouraged students to reflect and communicate in a positive and growth mindset attitude

Cambridge Elementary, San Antonio, TX January 2021- March 2021
Student Teacher

- Made seven different lessons that would promote deep inquiry and differentiation
- Solely taught lessons for 450 students ranging in grades from 1st - 5th grade
- Provided lessons focusing on reflection, knowledge, skills, and capabilities
- Aimed to promote discovery, inquiry, and positive learning environments in different subject areas

Thompson Valley High School, Loveland, CO September 2020-December
2020 Pre-Service Teacher

- Observed students in grades 9th - 12th
- Co-taught and established lessons for Sculpture 1 and Drawing 1 and 2
- Taught and made virtual/hybrid lessons for students during COVID-19
- Overcame COVID-19 obstacles and created new ways for lessons and learning in the district

VOLUNTEER & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Speak Out, Fort Collins CO January 2020-May 2021
Volunteer Facilitator

- Facilitated creative writing seminars to incarcerated women at the Larimer County Jail
- Collaborated in creating a book with all of the inmate's poems and writings
- Established continual classes to continue for the incarcerated women participating

Fort Collins Food Bank, Fort Collins CO May 2020-May 2021
Volunteer

- Packed meals for families and students impacted by COVID-19 pandemic
- Delivered meals to students of the Poudre School District

- Encouraged positivity and growth through the COVID-19 pandemic

SKILLS AND TRAINING

Pottery- Loading kilns, mixing clay, and creating custom glazes

Fibers- Working on floor and table looms, embroidery, natural dyes

Sculpture: Wood working, and found material sculptures

Metalsmithing- intricate Jewelry making, soldering, and metal design

Painting- Creating abstract two-dimensional works and well as creating painting with found objects

Photography- Film and digital photo making

Love and Logic- Trained in love and logic teaching philosophy