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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2018 - Present: Co-Founder of Reform Architecture PLLC, Licensed Architect

- Director of Operations - Directs and monitors project team members and ensures high productivity, manages and directs organization toward its objectives, establishes direction and long-range plans.
- Director of Design - develops and monitors quality and production standards of projects and is lead designer for his team and projects.
- Projects include: Dance School, Community Center, 1600sf Private residence, landmark building restorations, residential renovations, restaurant design, and gallery exhibition design.

2014 - 2017: Architectural Designer at Selldorf Architects, NY

- Was involved in the development of the conceptual design for the extension of the Museum of Contemporary Art in San Diego.
- Was part of the team that won a design competition for a concert hall and two competitions that got shortlisted; a mixed use building in lower Manhattan and a residential tower in midtown Manhattan.
- Prepared the LPC and DOB sets for a 12,000 SF town house in the West Village, Manhattan.
- Was an architectural designer for Christie's new exhibition spaces located in Rockefeller Center.

2012 - 2014: Architectural Designer: HapstakDemetriou +, Washington D.C.

- Assisted in the design, development and construction of at least a dozen restaurant projects.
- Worked on Roses Luxury in Washington DC, "best restaurant in America" - Bon Appétit in 2014.
- Designed and sketched test fit Plans for several projects like Casa Luca, Mussel Bar Arlington.

2009-2011 Project Manager Assistant & CAD Designer: Ivan Brice Architecture

- Worked on four different school restoration projects for the School Construction Authority.

ARTISTIC EXPERIENCE

2015-2018 - Co-Founder, Curator and Artistic Director of FRONT art space, New York, NY

SOLO SHOWS

2019 - *Blurred Boundaries*, Mixed Media Installation, Mueller Gallery, Cladwell University

2018 - May, *Sitting Together*, Sculpture Installation, Joyce Kilmer Park, Bronx, NY

2015 - July, Art Walk Collection - FRONT art space, New York

2015 - February, *43 Preguntas* - FRONT art space, New York

GROUP SHOWS

2020 - Monuments Now - Call and Response, Socrates Sculpture Park, Queens, NY

2017 - (Nov.) Fundraising Auction, 41 Cooper Gallery

2016 - December, Photographs - Photography by Architects - FRONT art space, New York
2015 - March, Mixed Media - Affordable Art fair
2010 - January, *Rites of Passage* Installation - 41 Cooper Gallery

AWARDS AND HONORS

2020 - Socrates Sculpture Fellow
2018 - UNIQLO Park Art Expression Grant, Bronx NY
2015 to 2017 - Alumni Council Member at the Scholastic Art and Writing Awards
2011 to 2020 - National Judge for the Scholastic Art and Writing Awards
2005 - Received the Mari Souval Spacedrafting Foundation Scholarship.

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

2004-9 BArch '09 - The Irwin S. Chanin School of Architecture, The Cooper Union

OTHER EDUCATION

2007 French Language Class Summer 2007; La Sorbonne, France
2000-4 High School Diploma; Fiorello LaGuardia H.S. of Music and Art