

# ALEX BORTELL

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## EDUCATION

**2024:** Bachelor of Fine Arts with an Emphasis in Writing (BFAW), School of the Art Institute of Chicago, IL (Upcoming)

**2019:** High School Diploma, Churchill High School, Livonia, MI

## EMPLOYMENT & EXPERIENCE

**2020-Present:** Senior Library Assistant, John M. Flaxman Library, Chicago, IL

**2022-Present:** Peer Mentor, First-Generation Fellows Program at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, IL

**2022-Present:** Senior Poetry Editor and Digital Archivist, Mouth Literary Magazine, Chicago, IL

**2023:** Art Workshop Intern, TotalLink2 Community, Chicago, IL

**2023:** Communications Intern, TotalLink2 Community, Chicago, IL

**2022:** Creative Writing Teaching Assistant, Early College Program at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, IL

**2021:** Bookseller, After-words Bookstore, Chicago, IL

**2020-21:** Office Assistant, SAIC Residence Life, Chicago, IL

**2019-20:** Gallery Technician, SAIC Galleries, Chicago, IL

**2016-19:** Lead Editor, Phaeton Literary and Art Magazine, Livonia, MI

## HONORS & AWARDS

**2019-24:** Creative Honors Scholarship, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, IL

**2019-21:** First-Generation Fellows Program and Scholarship, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, IL

**2020:** 26th Annual Student Leadership Celebration, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, IL

**2019:** Graduated summa cum laude with Honors in Visual Art, Social Studies, and Academics, Churchill High School, Livonia, MI

**2018:** Invited to the Washington Journalism and Media Conference at George Mason University, Fairfax, VA

## PUBLICATIONS

**2023:** *prayer*, [Mouth Literary Magazine](#)

**2023:** *what exists*, [Mouth Literary Magazine](#)

**2022:** *baptism in black and blue*, [Mouth Literary Magazine](#)

**2021:** *to patroclus*, [Mouth Literary Magazine](#)

**2021:** *meat*, [Mouth Literary Magazine](#)

## **EXHIBITIONS**

**2023:** Fall Undergraduate Exhibition, SAIC Galleries, Chicago, IL (Upcoming)

**2022-23:** Group Exhibition, *Analogous Tales: FirstGen Art Exhibition*, SAIC Sullivan Building 12th Floor Office of Student Affairs, Chicago, IL

**2022:** Two-Person Exhibition, *Residue*, SAIC Sharp Building 6th Floor Exhibition Cases, Chicago, IL (with Margaret Dugger)

## **PRESENTATIONS**

**2024:** BFA in Writing Thesis Reading, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, IL (Upcoming)

**2022:** *#Bookstagram: Implementing Collaborative Social Media Training in the Library*, Student Employment in Academic Libraries Virtual (SEAL) Symposium, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI), IN, October 21 (with Alex O'Keefe)

## **BIBLIOGRAPHY**

**2022:** [Celebrating Our First-Generation Community at SAIC](#), School of the Art Institute of Chicago, November 7

## **CERTIFICATIONS**

**2022-Present:** Mandated Reporter, Department of Children & Family Services, IL