

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

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2024 W. W. Norton Editorial Remote Summer Internship: Custom Department
2020-24 Senior Library Assistant, John M. Flaxman Library, Chicago, IL
2022-24 Peer Mentor, First-Generation Fellows Program at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, IL
2022-24 Senior Poetry Editor and Digital Archivist, *MOUTH Literary Magazine*, Chicago, IL
2023-24 Intern, *Hypertext Magazine*, Chicago, IL
2023 Creative Writing Teaching Assistant, Early College Program at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, IL
2023 Portfolio Prep Studio Teaching Assistant, Early College Program Online Summer Institute at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, IL
2023 Intern, *RHINO Poetry*, Chicago, IL
2023 Editor's Assistant Intern, Querencia Press, 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

AWARDS, HONORS, & FELLOWSHIPS

2024 Graduating Student Leadership Award, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, IL
2024 30th Annual Student Leadership Celebration, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, IL
2019-24 Creative Honors Scholarship, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, IL
2023 29th Annual Student Leadership Celebration, 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

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- 2023 *Heaven Descends on America (1-4)*, [Mouth Literary Magazine](#)
2022 *what exists*, [Mouth Literary Magazine](#)
2022 *baptism in black and blue*, [Mouth Literary Magazine](#)
2021 *to patroclus*, [Mouth Literary Magazine](#)

EXHIBITIONS

- 2023-24 Group Exhibition, *As Above, So Below*, SAIC Office of Student Affairs, Chicago, IL
2023 Group Exhibition, *Fall Undergraduate Exhibition*, SAIC Galleries, Chicago, IL
2022-23 Group Exhibition, *Analogous Tales FirstGen Art Exhibition*, SAIC 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, May 18th
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 21st (with Alex O'Keefe)

CERTIFICATIONS

- 2022-25 Mandated Reporter, Department of Children & Family Services, IL