# VERNAY MONROE



# STATEMENT

I'm a practicing artist studying at the University of Cincinnati's College of Design, Architecture, Art, and Planning (DAAP). I am a member of the Fine Arts track with a focus on drawing. My courses also overlap in the digital media and print media areas. I am interested in working in a collaborative art environment for a co-op.

# CONTACT

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# EDUCATION

# **BFA / FINE ARTS**

2018 - 2023 (expected) University of Cincinnati / DAAP Cincinnati, OH 3.8 GPA

# VOLUNTEER

## **FESTIVAL STAFF**

Saint Joseph Festival Cresent Springs, KY

#### 2015 - 2020 ILLUSTRATOR

Save Our Souls Cincinnati, OH

# SKILLS

IT: Certified Adobe Photoshop (Ps) Associate, Adobe Illustrator (Ai), Adobe Lightroom (Lr), Adobe InDesign (Id), Blender, Maya

OTHER: Wood Shop, Metal Casting, Screenprinting, Painting, Illustration, 63 Words Per Minute

# **HONORS / AWARDS**

### **DEAN'S LIST**

Fall 2018 - Spring 2022 University of Cincinnati Cincinnati, OH SECOND PLACE AWARD 2018 Scholastic Art and Writing Contest

Cincinnati, OH

# EXPERIENCE

#### AUDIO TECHNICIAN

Nov. 2017 - Aug. 2021 Hebron Lutheran Church Hebron, KY

- Cultivating my skills to operate a soundboard under the pressure of live performance
- Minimizing setup difficulty for the performers through organization and maintenance
- Enhancing the auditory experience for attendants during live performances Keyhold

## RETAIL SALES ASSOCIATE

## Feb. 2021 - Sept. 2021

Lowe's Companies, Inc.

Colerain. OH

- Nurturing my interpersonal skills daily with both customers and fellow associates
- Providing customers with respectful and quick service
- Creating an organized environment to benefit the customers shopping needs

## EDUCATION AND STUDIO PROGRAM ASSISTANT Dec. 2021 - Present

#### Manifest Creative Research Gallery Cincinnati, OH

- Assisting the Drawing Center Coordinator with archival tasks to organize the recent history of the **Drawing Center**
- Maintaining a clean and organized environment for the Drawing Center visitors
- Collaborating with the Drawing Center Coordinator to create another space for the Drawing Center
- Keyhold

## **EXPERIENTIAL EXPLORATION PROGRAM**

#### Nov. 2020 - April 2021 University of Cincinnati Cincinnati, OH

- Executed a self-guided lesson plan to develop 5 artworks to accompany a fictional narrative of my creation.
- Attained a certification in Adobe Photoshop

## **CO-OP EXPERIENCES**

Aug. 2021 - Dec. 2021

## Aug.2022 - Dec. 2022

#### Manifest Creative Research Gallery Cincinnati, OH

- Assisted the Manifest staff team with daily operations tasks
- Successfully unpackaged, handled, hung, and lit artwork for each gallery show
- Promoted a positive and open environment for visitors through a respectful greeting upon their arrival
- Contributed greatly to the development of Manifest's new Drawing Center space through doing wood construction, electrical work, artwork curation, space curation and assembly, equipment assembly and curation, lawn care and more

# CO-OP EXPERIENCE

May. 2022 - Aug. 2022 Indigo Hippo Cincinnati, OH

- Aiding the Indigo Hippo staff team with sorting, pricing, and displaying numerous art supplies in the shop
- Assisting in the ongoing effort to keep the shop floor and the various storage areas organized and visually appealing
- Assuring that the customer has a pleasant shopping experience through answering any questions customers have and through providing a fast and simple register experience