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**EDUCATION**

**School of the Art Institute of Chicago,** Chicago, IL Conferred 2010

 **MFA in writing**

**UC Davis,** Davis, CA Conferred 2007

 **BA in English and Art Studio** (*magna cum laude)*

**WORK EXPERIENCE**

**Malcolm X College,** Chicago, IL 2015 to Present

 **Assistant Professor**

Full-time tenure track faculty in English, specializing in composition, creative writing, and literature courses

**School of the Art Institute of Chicago,** Chicago, IL 2015 to Present

 **Adjunct Faculty, Adult Program**

Primary Lecturer in Continuing Studies, introducing students to creative encounters across disciplines.

**School of the Art Institute of Chicago,** Chicago, IL 2015 to Present

 **Program Mentor, Low-Residency MFA**

MFA advisor, navigating research, communication, and connectivity at the graduate level. Providing development for the MFA thesis, studio practice as a whole, and instituting a collective learning experience.

**School of the Art Institute of Chicago,** Chicago, IL 2015 to Present

 **Adjunct Faculty, Early College Program**

Primary Lecturer in Continuing Studies, utilizing creative stimuli to develop personal expression through creative writing, drawing, painting, music, and various genres.

**The Illinois Institute of Art,** Chicago, IL 2013 to Present

 **Adjunct Faculty**

Primary Lecturer in English Composition, Research/Creative Writing, and Art History

**Malcolm X College,** Chicago, IL 2012 to Present

 **Adjunct Faculty**

Primary Lecturer in English Composition, Research/Creative Writing, General Drawing, and Art Appreciation

**Malcolm X College,** Chicago, IL 2013 to 2014

 **Writing Tutor**

Tutor students on writing projects across disciplines, emphasizing sentence structure and essay composition

**Andrew Rafacz Gallery,** Chicago, IL 2011 to 2012

 **Intern and Gallery Assistant**

Coordinated gallery events, academic programming, grant proposals, and media announcements

**Th!nk Art Salon,** Chicago, IL 2011 to 2012

 **Intern and Gallery Assistant**

**Team Art!,** Chicago, IL 2010 to 2011

 **Co-founder and Media Relations Chair**

**EXHIBITIONS & PUBLICATIONS**

**Newfound**, Austin, TX forthcoming 2017

 **“A –Noun—That Can Save the World” Poetry Review of Carlo Matos**

**Rain Taxi**, Minneapolis, MN 2017

 **“Only More So” Poetry Review of Millicent Borges Accardi**

**While You Were Waiting**, Chicago, IL 2016

 **“PWYW LIve @ 5 An Antholozine” publication**

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**After Hours**, Chicago, IL 2016

 **“Dear Fisherman”** **Anthology Publication**

**Tortoise Books**, Chicago, IL 2016

 **“Suadade”** **Anthology Publication**

**The Research House for Asian Art**, Chicago, IL 2016

 **“Analog Ram, The Return of Active Memory”** **Group Exhibition**

**Driftwood Press**, Tampa, FL 2016

 **Illustrations Publication**

**Tortoise Books**, Chicago, IL 2015

 **“In Lieu of Flowers”** **Poetry Collection Publication**

**Rhino Poetry**, Chicago, IL 2015

 **“Tales From My Fisherman Father”** **Publication**

**The Brooklyn Rail**, New York City, NY 2014

 **“Why Are There No Founding Mothers?” Publication**

**Beauty and Brawn Art Gallery**, Chicago, IL 2014

 **“When All That’s Left of Me is You,”** **Solo Exhibition**

**Mad Hatter’s Review**, Asheville, NC 2014

 **Illustrations and “Dear Fisherman” Flash Fiction** **Publication**

**Thrice Fiction**, 2014

 **Cover Design and Illustrations Publication**

**Belmont Gallery**, Chicago, I 2013

 **“Dear Fisherman,” Solo Exhibition**

**Buena Park Arts Expo**, Chicago, IL 2013

 **Group Exhibition**

**Next/Art Chicago**, Chicago, IL 2011

 **Team Art! Group Exhibition**

**Verge Art Fair/Art Basel**, Miami, FL 2010

 **Team Art! Group Exhibition**

**High Chair Poetry**, Philipines 2010

 **Illustrations Publication**

**Elimae Literary Journal**, 2010

 **Illustrations** **Publication**

**Happy Dog Gallery**, Chicago, IL 2010

 **Solo Exhibition**

**Fred Hillbruner Artist Book Fellowship Exhibition**, Chicago, IL 2010

 **Art and Text Fellowship Award group exhibition**

**INSTALLATIONS**

**Volumes Book Cafe,** Chicago, IL 2017

 **Commissioned Muralist**

**Horses of Honor,** Chicago, IL 2015

 **Commissioned Muralist**

Creation, design, and execution of painted sculptures benefitting the Chicago Police Memorial Foundation

**Logan Square Blue Line Station Mural,** Chicago, IL 2014

 **Commissioned Muralist**

Creation, design, and execution of 300 foot mural on CTA train station

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**35th and 47th Wards,** Chicago, IL 2014 to present

 **Commissioned Muralist**

 Creation, design and execution of large murals throughout 35th, and 47th Wards

**Buena Park Neighbors,** Chicago, IL 2012 to 2014

 **Commissioned Muralist**

 Creation, design and execution of large murals throughout 46th Ward and Buena Park

**39th Ward,** Chicago, IL 2011

 **Commissioned Muralist**

**AWARDS & HONORS**

**Pushcart Prize Nomination**, Wainscott, NY 2015

 **Poetry Award, Pushcart Press**

**Zone 3 Creative Nonfiction Book Award Semi-Finalist**, Clarksville, TN 2015

 **Nonfiction Book Award**

**Autumn House Press**, Pittsburgh, PA 2015

 **Nonfiction Award Finalist**

**Gwendolyn Brooks Open Mic Awards Semi-Finalist**, Chicago, IL 2015

 **Slam** **Poetry Award**

**Founder’s Prize 1st Place Winner, Rhino Poetry**, Chicago, IL 2014

 **Poetry Award**

**Gwendolyn Brooks Open Mic Awards Finalist**, Chicago, I 2014

 **Slam** **Poetry Award**

**Gwendolyn Brooks Open Mic Awards Semi-Finalist**, Chicago, IL 2013

 **Slam** **Poetry Award**

**Fred Hillbruner Artist Book Fellowship Semi-Finalist**, Chicago, IL 2010

 **Artist Book Award**

**Summer Literary Seminars Tuition Fellowship Semi-Finalist**, Nairobi, Kenya 2009

 **Fiction Award and Writer in Residence**

**The David and Julia White Artist Colony,** San Jose, Costa Rica 2008

 **Artist in Residence**

**BIBLIOGRAPHY**

**Cleaver**, Philadelphia, PA 2017

 **“Beautiful in its Slowness”**

**Cleaver**, Philadelphia, PA 2017

 **“In Lieu of Flowers”**

**Chicago Tribune**, Chicago, IL 2016

 **“Reader of the Week: Rachel Slotnick”**

**Driftwood Press**, **Volume 3: Issue 2** Tampa, FL 2016

 **“Rachel Slotnick Interview”**

**Association of Writer’s & Writing Programs: The Writer’s Notebook**, Fairfax, VA 2015

 **“”Sometimes It’s the Stuff You Love that Hurts You Most”:**

**An Interview with Poet and Visual Artist Rachel Slotnick”**

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**This Podcast Will Change Your Life**, Chicago, IL 2015

 “**Not My Dad, an interview with Rachel Slotnick”**

**Rhino Poetry**, Chicago, IL 2015

 “**“Poetry that bursts with imagination and innovation…”**

**an interview with Rachel Slotnick”**

**Gapers Block**, Chicago, IL 2014

 **“Neighborhood Joins Together to Create Work of Art”**

**New City**, Chicago, IL 2014

 **“Mural in Logan Square Seeks Community Participation”**

**Logan Square TV**, Chicago, IL 2014

 **“Help Paint Paseo Prairie Garden Wall this Holiday Weekend!”**

**Logan Square Tv**, Chicago, IL 2014

 **“Beauty & Brawn Behind Big Wall at Paseo Prairie Garden”**

**DNA Info**, Chicago, IL 2014

 **“Iconic Logan Square Mural Replaced: ‘People Are Looking for Something New”**

**DNA Info**, Chicago, IL 2014

 **“Artists Behind New Logan Square Blue Line Mural to Host Paint Days”**

**LECTURES & READINGS**

**Association of Writers & Writing Programs**, Washington, D.C. 2017

**SAIC Alumni Reading**

**After Hours**, Chicago, IL 2016

**Featured Reader**

**Chicago BOok Expo**, Chicago, IL 2016

**Featured Reader Rhino Poetry**

**Tortoise Books** , Chicago, IL 2016

**Featured Reader at Volumes Bookstore**

**AG 47**, Chicago, IL 2016

**Visiting Artist**

**Logan Salon Reading Series**, Chicago, IL 2016

**Featured Reader**

**Tiger Room Salon**, Chicago, IL 2016

**Featured Reader**

**Ravenswood Used Books**, Chicago, IL 2016

**“The Mingle,”** **Featured Reader**

**Black Rock Tavern**, Chicago, IL 2015

**“Pungent Parlour,”** **Featured Reader**

**City Lit Books**, Chicago, IL 2015

**“Alternate Realities,”** **Featured Reader**

**RHINO Reads!**, Evanston, IL 2015

**Featured Reader**

**Uncharted Books**, Chicago, IL 2015

**“The Occupation that Keeps us from Thinking Small,”** **Featured Reader**

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**Beauty & Brawn Art Gallery & Thinkspace**, Chicago, IL 2015

**“In Lieu of Flowers” Book Launch**

**Chicago City Colleges**, Chicago, IL 2015

**Featured Reader, Chicago Poetry Month**

**AWP: Conference- Association of Writers & Writing Programs**, Minneapolis, MN 2015

**Featured Reader, Rhino Poetry off-site Launch Party**

**Poems While You Wait**, Chicago, IL 2013 to Present

 **Museum of Contemporary Art,** **Exhibitor**

**Highland Park High School Focus**, Chicago, IL 2015

 **Guest Lecturer**

**Highland Park High School Focus**, Chicago, IL 2013

 **Guest Lecturer**

**DePaul Summer Writing Conference**, Chicago, IL 2012

 **Art and Text Panelist**