

RICKY COLSON III

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EDUCATION

University of Texas, Austin, TX

BFA Studio Art with Honors, 2006 | GPA: 3.8

- **AWARDS:** Dean's List, Voted a top 20 Leading Longhorn in *Orange Magazine*

EXPERIENCE

Ricky Colson Original Art & Design

Artist, Graphic Designer, Sole Proprietor, 2005-Present

- Designed original artwork to be sold to gallery clients and through online websites
- Illustrated *Sage Words* women's brochure for educating low income women about health issues
- **SKILLS:** Oil paint, graphite, charcoal, pen & ink, watercolor, Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Illustrator

Wooten Elementary/AmeriCorps, Communities in Schools of Central Texas, Austin, TX

Mentor/Tutor, Fall 2010- Fall 2011

- Worked with a caseload of high-risk students for an hour a week to improve their behavior, grades, and quality of life through conversation, activities, and games.
- Designed and painted an outdoor mural with the help of 50+ kids throughout a two month span to promote outdoor learning.
- Managed a leadership group aimed at addressing a school wide bullying problem. Managed a 5th grade science group to watch and discuss the Planet Earth series.
- Organized a 3rd grade chess club to teach patience, logic, and sportsmanship.
- Supervised a summer group on field trips and educational activities at a low income housing site.
- Volunteered at a children's marathon, adult marathon, park clean up, and a holiday hat making event for child cancer patients.

Blinn College, Brenham, TX

Guest Lecturer, 2010

- Presented painting procedures and theories. Critiqued student work during workshop.

Newman Galleries, Philadelphia, PA

Gallery Assistant, Shop Assistant, Fall 2007- Spring 2008

- Sold paintings, updated website, performed office work, designed brochures and other documents, drove truck, delivered and hung paintings, fit and framed artwork

The Global Arts Group, Austin, TX

Assistant Production Manager, Fall 2006- Summer 2007

- Responsible for cutting frames, joining frames, mounting prints to backing, assembling and cleaning up finished products, packaging products, trimming prints, and receiving and shipping both framed items and rolled prints.
- Experience with miter saw, panel saw, mount press, palette jack, frame joiner, and pneumatic tools.

AWARDS & EXHIBITIONS

- *Permanent Exhibit*, **Wally Workman Gallery**, Winter 2010-Present
- *International Salon*, **Art Renewal Center**, Finalist in the Still-Life Category, 2011
- *30th Anniversary Show*, **Wally Workman Gallery**, Summer 2010
- *International Salon*, **Art Renewal Center**, Finalist in the Drawing Category, 2010
- *International Salon*, **Art Renewal Center**, 1st Place in the Drawing Category, 2009
- *Small Works*, **Artist's House Gallery**, Winter 2009
- *Fresh Faces*, **Artist's House Gallery**, Spring 2009