

RIKA KOVA
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EDUCATION

Currently M.F.A. Arizona State University, Phoenix, AZ
2022 B.F.A. School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL
2020 A.A. Community College of Philadelphia, Philadelphia, PA
2016 ESL Certificate Harry S Truman College, Chicago, IL
2013 B.A. Siberian Institute of Management, Russia

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2016-2022 Artist-Freelancer: paintings, sculptures, photography, wall art, furniture commissions, Philadelphia, PA; Chicago, IL
2020-2021 Independent art residency & research project: building out a camper van, living on the road full time, Chicago, IL

COMMUNITY SERVICE

2019-2020 Museum of Contemporary Art Chicago, Event planner & host, Chicago, IL
2019 KCRS FOUNDATION: Event planner, Oakland, CA
2018-2019 Chicago Canine Rescue, Dog sitter and walker, Chicago, IL

ACADEMIC AWARDS

2021 CARES Grant, Chicago, IL
2020 SAIC Presidential Scholarship, SAIC Support Grant, SAIC Transfer Partner Award, Chicago, IL
2019 NCECA Multicultural Fellowship, Cincinnati, Ohio
2019 Winner of the annual Exhibition *Bridges* at the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA
2018 Matriculated College Student Scholarship at Peters Valley School of Craft, Layton, New Jersey

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2021 *The Flashback*, Sky Lounge at 465 North Park Building, Chicago, IL

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2022 *Fables*, Povos Gallery, Chicago, IL
2022 *The Visual Arts Exhibition*, John David Mooney Foundation, Chicago, IL
2022 *SAIC Senior Undergraduate Exhibition*, SAIC Galleries, Chicago, IL
2022 *NCECA Multicultural Fellowship Exhibition*, Blue Line Arts Gallery, Roseville, CA
2022 *Threaded Together*, Alma Arts and Interiors, Chicago, IL
2019 *Bridges*, Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, Philadelphia, PA
2019 Annual Art Exhibition, Community College of Philadelphia, Philadelphia, PA

GALLERY REPRESENTATION

Alma Arts and Interiors, Chicago, IL

COLLECTIONS

Various Private Collections, Chicago, IL