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I am a recent graduate with a BFA in Sculpture from the School of the Art Institute of Chicago. My practice is located in South Rajasthan both in terms of the forms that inspire the sculptures and the material that inform their composition. Through a study of architecture and matter my works explore the nature of substance in the Anthropocene.

Education

- 2021 School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago | Bachelor of Fine Arts, Sculpture
- 2018 Siena Art Institute, Siena, Italy | Study Trip
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Exhibitions and Publications

Group Shows

- 2021 (*upcoming*) Future Fossils: SUM by Lan Tuazon | Hyde Park Art Center, Chicago
- 2021 BFA Thesis Show | Sullivan Gallery, Chicago
- 2019 A poem left Untitled | SITE Gallery, Chicago
- 2018 ARTBASH | School of the Art Institute of Chicago

Solo Shows

- 2020 *Chaumasa: Four Months of Monsoon* | SITE Gallery, Chicago
This experimental solo exhibition, held partly remotely, explored the development of metaphysical waterscapes in the region of south Rajasthan, India.

Peer Reviewed Articles

- 2021 (*upcoming*) (*accepted with minor revisions*) OBJ: TBD, *A reflective essay on the nature of the yet to be decided Object in Exhibition Design* | (Field Notes: A Journal of Collegiate Anthropology, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee)
This article explores the nature of the placeholder category "Object:TBD" in exhibition design in relation to the Field Museum's endeavor to redesign its Native American Hall.
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Awards

- 2021 Fund Your Practice Grant | School of the Art Institute of Chicago
- 2021 Graduating Student Leadership- Honorable Mention | School of the Art Institute of Chicago
- 2018 Linda and Vincent Buonanno Contemporary Practices Scholarship | School of the Art Institute of Chicago
This scholarship is offered to only 3 freshmen students based on their portfolio, merit, and on internal nomination.
- 2018 First Year Scholar's Grant | School of the Art Institute of Chicago
A travel grant was provided as a part of the Scholar's program for a study trip to Siena, Italy during the winter term of 2018.
- 2017- 2021 Scholar's Program | School of the Art Institute of Chicago
The Scholar's Program is an honor's distinction that is offered to the top 2% of admitted students at SAIC. Rigorous research and artistic development opportunities are provided to further hone the skills of high-achieving students.
- 2017 Presidential Merit Scholarship | School of the Art Institute of Chicago
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Work Experience

Field Museum

- 2020 Research Intern | Exhibition Design
Conducted an independent study on the exhibition design process and how meaning is produced in exhibitions. The focus of the study was on two upcoming shows- the Balkans, and Contemporary Native American cultures- and how they use objects, and the lack of, to create narrative.

School of the Art institute of Chicago

- 2019- 2021 Undergraduate Teaching Assistant | Contemporary Practices
- 2018-2021 Woodshop Monitor and Cage Assistant | Sharp Instructional Shops
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