BROOKE BENHAM

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Summary

Brooke Benham is currently a student at Old Dominion University. She is expected to graduate in May 2021 with a BA in Art Education and a BFA in Drawing and Design.

Education

Old Dominion University, Norfolk, Va.

Bachelor of Fine Arts in Drawing and Design Bachelor of Arts in Art Education Anticipated graduation: May 2021 | GPA 3.74

Exhibitions

Student Juried Show 2021

Baron and Ellin Gordon Galleries, Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA Upcoming 2021

Twenty Twenty

Hixon Student Art Gallery, Norfolk, VA 2020

Alone Together

Senior Exhibition, Baron and Ellin Gordon Galleries, Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA 2020

Dean's Selection Exhibition

Baron and Ellin Gordon Art Galleries, Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA 2020

Juried Student Show 2020

Baron and Ellin Gordon Galleries, Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA 2020

Awards and Honors

The Barbara M. Gorlinsky Memorial Fine Arts Scholarship - ODU Art Department - May 2020

The 2020 Departmental Scholarships Competition is based on artistic merit of work submitted and a combination of concentration, GPA, and financial need.

Dean's Selection Exhibition - Baron and Ellin Gordon Art Galleries – Apr. 2020 Artwork in this exhibition has been selected based on aesthetic appeal, skilled use of a particular medium, and overall execution. The work will be displayed during the 2020-21 academic year in the Dean's office suite in the Batten Arts and Letters Building.

Certificate of Excellence in Undergraduate Research - Old Dominion University – Feb. 2020

This certificate of excellence in undergraduate research is presented in honor of participation in the 2020 Undergraduate Research Symposium at Old Dominion University.

Publications

Delivered

Criticism Through Interpretation: Jules Olitski

2020 Undergraduate Research Symposium, ODU, Norfolk, VA Feb 2020

Upcoming

Expanding Formalist Criticism Through the Work of Jules Olitski

2021 Chrysler Collegiate Symposium, Chrysler Museum of Art, Norfolk, VA *Upcoming* Apr. 2021

Organizations

National Art Education Association

Member: 2020-current

Old Dominion University's Art Education Association

President: 2021-current Secretary: 2020-2021 Member: 2018-current

Experience

President of Art Education Association

Student Chapter of National Art Education Association at ODU Feb. 2021 – Present (less than a year)

Art Education Student Teaching Internship

Visual and Performing Arts Academy at Salem Highschool, Virginia Beach, VA Mar. 2021 – Present

Art Education Student Teaching Internship

Thalia Elementary School, Virginia Beach, VA Jan 2021 – Mar. 2021

Secretary of Art Education Association

Student Chapter of National Art Education Association at ODU Aug. 2020 – Feb. 2021 (less than a year)

Collaborative Art Curator

Senior Show Class of Fall 2020, ODU, Norfolk, VA 2020-2020 (3 mos)

Collaboratively curated two exhibitions with the Fall Senior Show class of 2020.

- -Twenty Twenty, Hixon Student Art Gallery, Norfolk, VA
- -Alone Together, Senior Exhibition, Baron and Ellin Gordon Galleries, Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA

Art Education Practicum

Oscar F. Smith High School, Chesapeake, VA Oct 2020 – Dec 2020 (3 mos)

Volunteer Art Instructor

The Hermitage Museum & Gardens, Norfolk, VA Nov 2020 (1 mo)

Pre-service art educators from ODU planned and conducted a sequence of Saturday morning art classes at the local museum.

Designer

Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA

2019 - 2020 (1 yr)

Designer for Reign, the Mermaid sculpture, located at Brock Commons ODU, Norfolk, VA.

Painter

Resource Lighting + Controls, Chesapeake, VA
2019 (less than a year)
Commercial commission for wall painting of company logo

Childcare Supervisor

Great Bridge United Methodist Church, Chesapeake, VA Oct 2014 – Aug 2019 (4 yrs 11 mos) Lead childcare worker in the nursery

Art Classroom Observation

P.B. Young, Sr. Elementary School, Norfolk, VA Nov 2018 – Dec 2018 (2 mos)

Lead Teaching Assistant

Old Dominion University Children's Learning and Research Center, Norfolk, VA May 2018 – Dec 2018 (8 mos)

Art Teacher

Christ and St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Norfolk, VA Jun 2018 (1 mo)

Instructed the art projects during a week-long art camp that engaged students in environmental awareness through music and art.

Licenses & certifications

Praxis Art: Content Knowledge (5134) - ETS

Issued Oct 2020

Related Courses

Studio

Fundamentals of Digital Art - Two-Dimensional Design - Three-Dimensional Design - Fundamentals of Drawing - Drawing 2 - Drawing: Studio - Intro to Digital Photography - Fundamentals of Painting - Painting 2 - Screen-print and Lithography - Print 2: The Hybrid Print - Intro to Ceramics - Weaving and Fibers intro - Intro to Graphic Design – Senior Show

Art History

Ancient and Medieval Art - Art Criticism - Renaissance and Modern Art - Greek Sculpture - Egyptian Art

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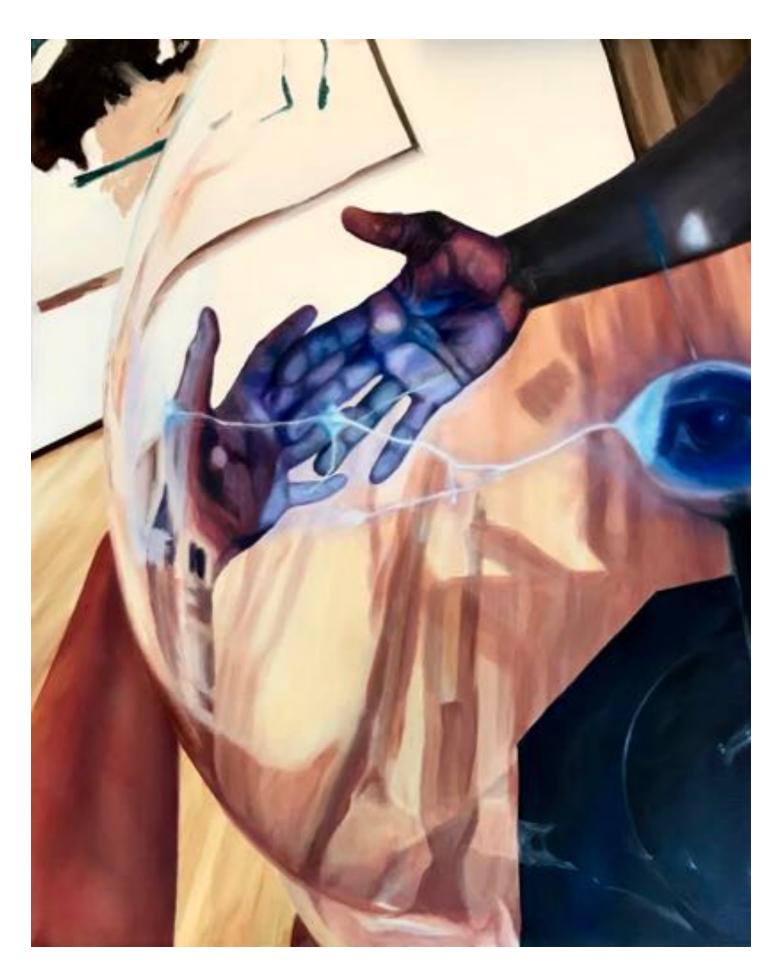
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Development Birth-Adolescent – Foundations and Assessment of Education - Student Diverse
Learning Needs - Art Ed Secondary Methods Classroom Management – Capstone in Art
Education

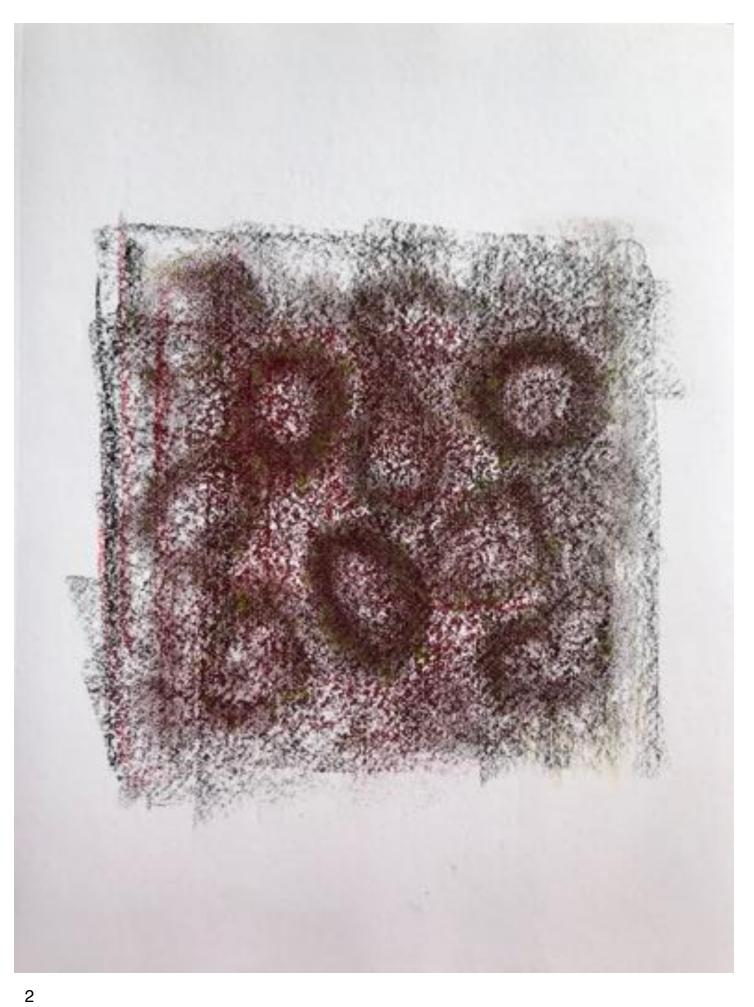
Biography

Brooke Benham is currently a student at Old Dominion University. She is working towards a BFA in Drawing and Design, along with a BA in Art Education and is planning to graduate in May 2021. She resides in Chesapeake, Va. While her early artwork is mostly representational, the artist's current work consists of abstracted forms. The artist examines organic forms found in nature to create voluminous intersecting figures of light and dark in her work.

Statement

The human habitat is nature and it is in the vastness of untouched Earth that we find clarity. The advancements of modern life do not fulfill us because our souls were simply not made for such things. My work examines the properties of nature through the creation of light and dark/ texture and depth. I use organic, intersecting forms to portray the spiritual world we live in but often neglect to recognize. Alternative forms help viewers to question their attitudes towards their relationship between the natural world and their soul.

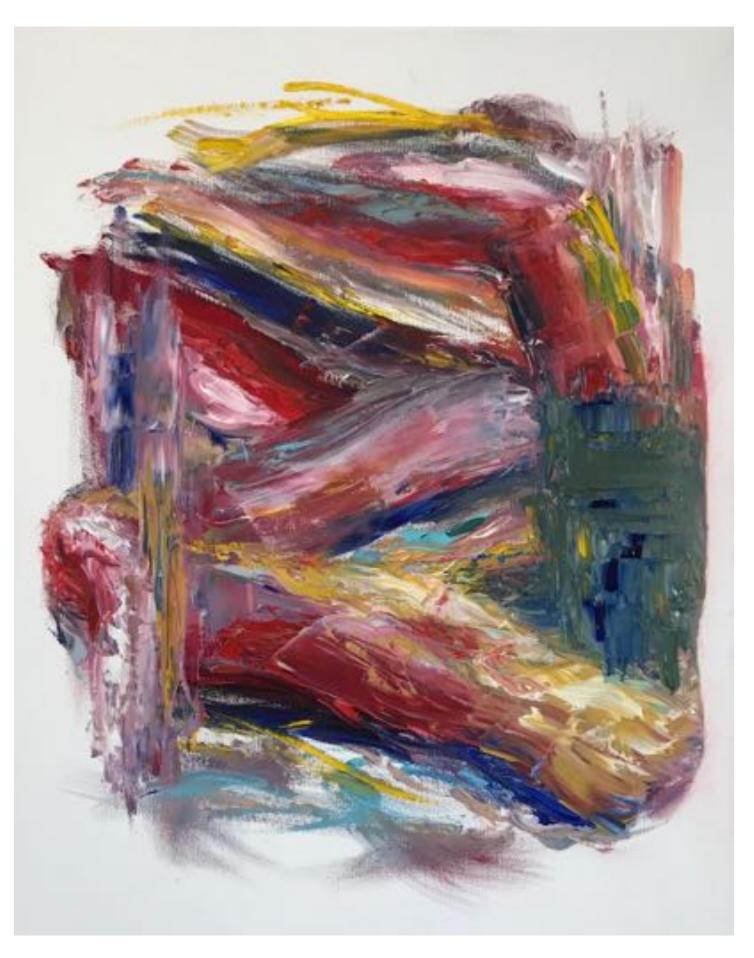


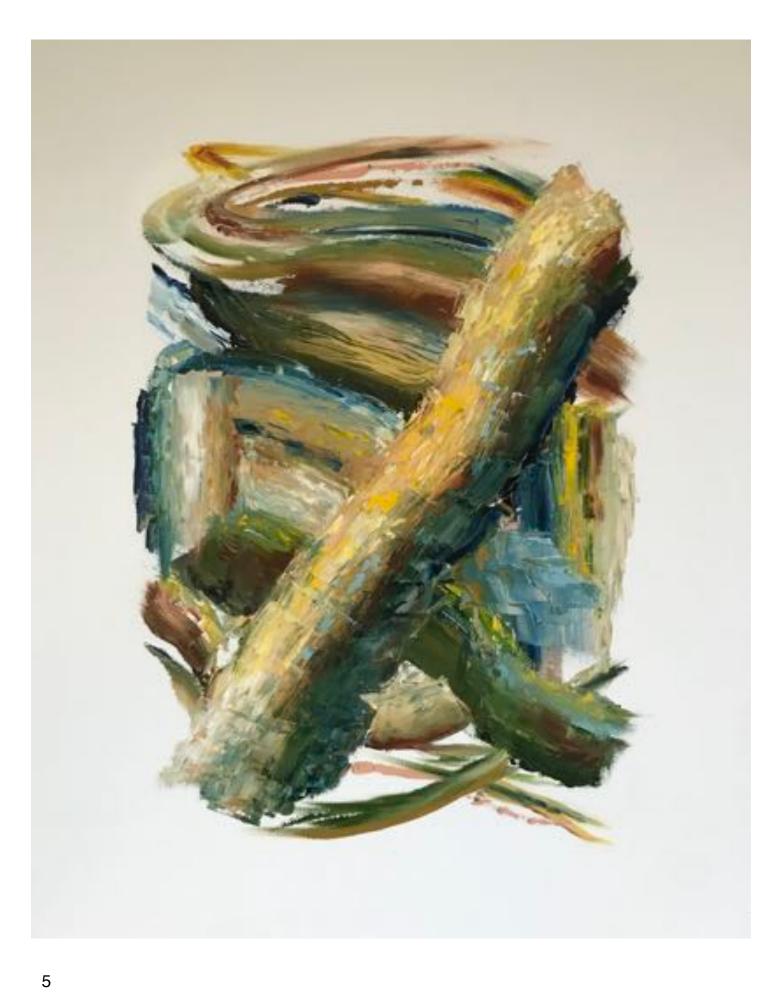










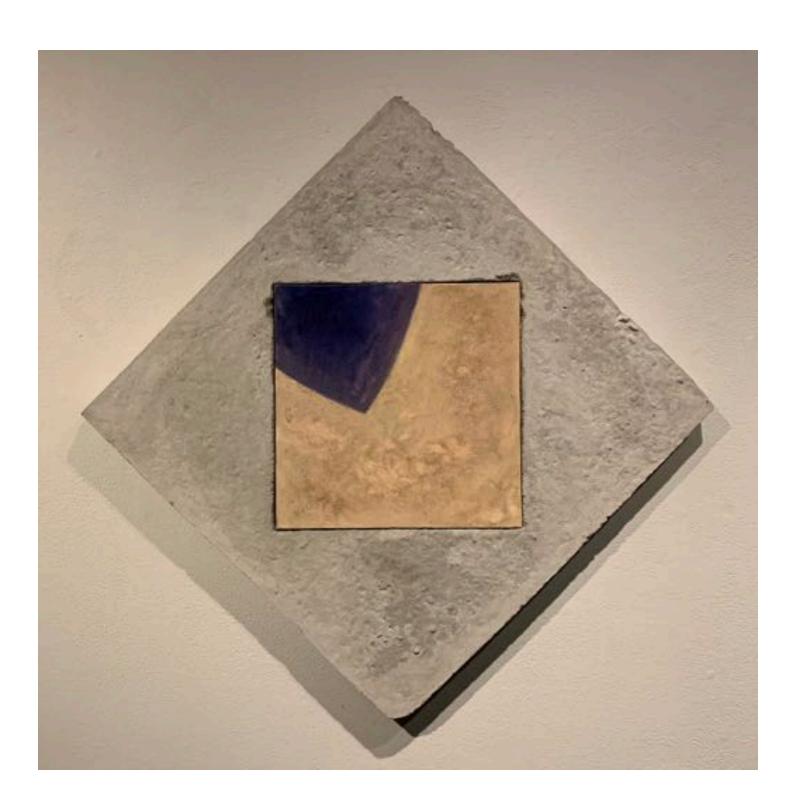
















Brooke Benham Image List:

- 1. Electric, 2020, Oil paint on canvas, 24" x 30"
- 2. Covid Series 1-3, 2020, Soft pastel and acrylic, 8.5" x 11"
- 3. Untitled, 2020, Soft pastel, 8.5" x 11"
- 4. Untitled, 2020, Oil paint on canvas, 16" x 20"
- 5. Untitled Series 1-2, 2020, Oil paint on canvas, 22" x 28"
- 6. Proportions, 2020, Charcoal, 18" x 24"
- 7. Protestor, 2020, Charcoal, 18" x 24"
- 8. Celebrating Women, 2020, Charcoal, 18" x 24"
- 9. Concrete, 2020, Oil on canvas, sand, cement, 31" x 31"
- 10. Untitled, 2020, Oil paint on canvas, 24" x 30"
- 11. "Reign" sculpture designed by Brooke Benham