# **Brooke Benham**

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# Summary

Motivated and resourceful teaching professional trained in various artistic mediums. Talent for instilling artistic expression and appreciation through interest-based learning. Lesson plans engage content and skill building, while emphasizing big ideas and working with a conceptual framework.

# Education BA in Art Education

# BFA in Studio Arts with a concentration in Drawing and Design

Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA. | May 2021 | GPA 3.74

# **Experience** Substitute Teacher

Chesapeake Public Schools, Chesapeake, VA | May 2021-present Virginia Beach Public Schools, Virginia Beach, VA | May 2021-present

### **Student Teaching Internship**

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

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

## Childcare Supervisor

Great Bridge United Methodist Church, Chesapeake, VA | Oct. 2014 – Aug. 2019 | Lead childcare worker in the nursery

#### **Lead Teaching Assistant**

Old Dominion University Children's Learning and Research Center, Norfolk, VA | May – Dec. 2018

#### Art Teacher

Christ and St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Norfolk, VA | Jun. 2018 | Instructed the art projects during a weeklong art camp that engaged students in environmental awareness through music and art.

#### **Achievements**

# Awards/Honors Barbara M. Gorlinsky Memorial Fine Arts Scholarship

ODU Art Department - May 2020

# Dean's Selection Exhibition

Baron and Ellin Gordon Art Galleries – Apr. 2020

# Certificate of Excellence in Undergraduate Research

Old Dominion University – Feb. 2020

#### Leadership Student Chapter of National Art Education Association

Served as President at ODU, Norfolk, VA | 2021 Served as Secretary at ODU, Norfolk, VA | 2020

## Publications "Expanding Formalist Criticism Through the Work of Jules Olitski"

Presentation at the Chrysler Collegiate Symposium Norfolk, VA. | April 2021

#### "Criticism Through Interpretation: Jules Olitski"

Presentation at the ODU Undergraduate Research Symposium, Norfolk, VA. | Feb. 2020

#### "Reign" the ODU mermaid sculpture

Designed for the Brock Commons at ODU, Norfolk, VA. | 2020