

MADDISON STAPLETON

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Summary

Multi-talented illustrator skilled in several artistic mediums, including LEGO brick sculptures, digital illustration, and quilting.

Work History

NDA (Model design)

July 2022-Current

- Working with a diverse team designing display models for an internationally recognized brand
- Using proprietary software to create digital models to be physically realized at a future date
- Lead designer on project

Teacher

July 2018 – Current

Giving Tree Preschool

Portland, Oregon

- Works with children ages two to five years
- Helps children develop crucial social, physical, cognitive, emotional, and creative skills by creating flexible and challenging art and play scenarios that can be fine-tuned for both individual and group settings
- Helps children explore agency and identity through student-led patterns of play and creative expression
- Assists in creating lesson plans

Assistant Teacher

Oct 2015 – July 2018

Joyful Noise Child Development Center

Portland, Oregon

- Works with children ages three months to five years
- Helped children develop crucial social, physical, cognitive, emotional, and creative skills by creating flexible and challenging art and play scenarios that can be fine-tuned for both individual and group settings
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Model Shop Assistant

Feb 2015 – Oct 2015

LEGOLAND California Resort/Merlin Entertainments

Carlsbad, California

- Built LEGO models from physical and digital prototypes
- Fine-tuned and trouble-shot designs during the digital to physical conversion
- Assisted in preparing models for shipping, including disassembly, storing, packing, and storing models

- Set up lighting and wiring in LEGO models using power tools and delicate circuitry

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Jul 2012 – Jan 2015

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Freelance Illustrator and Photographer

Dec 2011 – Current

- Creates customized illustrations and designs for clients in digital and traditional illustration
- Photographs various events, such as weddings or athletic competitions and exhibitions

Photographer/Sports Information Assistant

Oct 2011 – May 2012

Eastern Oregon Athletic Department

La Grande, Oregon

- Photographed, took video, and provided live updates of Eastern Oregon University athletic events

Art Gallery Attendant

Oct 2010 – June 2012

Nightingale Gallery at Eastern Oregon University

La Grande, Oregon

- Provided information on exhibits to gallery visitors
- Assisted in set up and take down of exhibits

Photography Lab Assistant

Nov 2010 – May 2011

Eastern Oregon University

La Grande, Oregon

- Maintained cleanliness of photography studio and darkroom

Arts & Crafts Director

July 2009, 2010, 2011

Meadowood Springs Speech and Hearing Camp

Weston, Oregon

- Led daily arts and crafts classes for children ages six to sixteen

Education

Bachelor of Science: Art, Minor in Communication

2008-2012

Eastern Oregon University

La Grande, Oregon

- Focused on acrylic painting, and digital and analog photography

Skills

- Deep understanding of play patterns in early childhood development

- Knowledgeable in Clip Studio Paint, Adobe Illustrator, Adobe Photoshop, LEGO Digital Designer, BrickLink Studio, BrickSmith
- Proficient in working with acrylic paint, colored pencil, 3D LEGO models, marker, digital and film photography, sewing, quilting, pastel chalks, costuming, prop making
- Basic soldering and lighting skills
- Proficient in power tool usage

Publications

Oregon East Volume XLII	Oct 2011
Runner's World	Feb 2013
Runner's World Germany	Mar 2013
Brick Journal Issue 32	Jan 2015

Awards

Honorable Mention in the Arts East Gallery student winter show	Feb 2010
3 rd place in the Art of Craft Brick Art contest	Mar 2014
Best Music LEGO creation at Bricks Cascade	Mar 2014
Best Batman Creation at BrickFair Virginia	Aug 2014
Finalist in the LEGO Batman 75 th Anniversary competition	Oct 2014
1st place Bountiful Mini Quilt Challenge	Oct 2017
Best Small Building at Bricks Cascade	Mar 2018
Best Town Build at BrickCan	May 2019

Commissions

Digital illustrations of Nu Wavers band members as LEGO minifigures	Aug 2016
Nike Doernbecher Project LEGO built shoe	Oct 2016
Pet portrait illustrations	Oct 2020

Group Exhibitions

<i>Juried Student Winter Show</i> , Arts East Gallery, La Grande, Oregon	Feb 2010
<i>Eastern Oregon Juried Student Exhibition</i> , Nightingale Gallery, La Grande, Oregon	May 2010
<i>BrickFair Virginia</i> , Chantilly, Virginia	Aug 2010-2022
<i>BrickFiesta Austin</i> , Austin, Texas	July 2011
<i>Les Voix des Femmes</i> , Eastern Oregon University, La Grande, Oregon	Mar 2012
<i>Concinnity: Senior Show</i> , Nightingale Gallery, La Grande, Oregon	May 2012
<i>Bricks Cascade</i> , Portland, Oregon	Mar 2012-2022
<i>BrickCon</i> , Seattle, Washington	Oct 2013
<i>Let Go My LEGO</i> , Washington County Museum, Hillsboro, Oregon	Nov 2015
<i>BrickCan</i> , Vancouver, British Columbia	Apr 2016, May 2019
<i>BrickFiesta Houston</i> , Houston, Texas	July 2016
<i>Extra Piece MOC Expo</i> , Pennsylvania	July 2022