




Nina Russo

Gallery Artist

Gallery artist with 8+ years of experience exhibiting mixed media and abstract works in local, national, and international galleries. Known for experimentation with texture, form, and materiality with 6 solo exhibitions and participation in 15+ international juried shows.

Self-managed across sales, logistics, and promotion with 3 regional artist grants supporting studio development and public installation projects.

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KEY SKILLS

- Mixed media and abstract painting
- Exhibition installation and art handling
- Gallery sales, pricing, and client development
- Grant writing and arts funding applications
- Exhibition setup and logistics coordination
- Public speaking and artist talks
- Canvas preparation and studio maintenance
- Social media and artist portfolio promotion
- Juried show submission and artist statement writing

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

January 2016 - Present

Gallery Artist | Self-Represented | Providence, RI

- Held 6 solo exhibitions in Providence, New York, and international venues with 3 works acquired by private collectors at price points ranging from \$2,500 to \$12,000 per piece
- Participated in 15+ international juried shows with a 60% acceptance rate from competitive open calls, including exhibitions in London, Berlin, and Montreal
- Manage all sales, logistics, shipping, and promotional activities for each exhibition, generating \$45,000+ in annual art sales and commissions as a self-represented artist
- Secured 3 regional artist grants from the Rhode Island State Council on the Arts for studio development and public installation projects totaling \$18,000 in funding
- Developed and maintain a professional artist website and social media presence with 7,000+ followers, driving 50% of gallery inquiry and commission traffic
- Collaborated with 2 community arts organizations on public installation projects, reaching 8,000+ viewers across Providence neighborhood art events

June 2014 - December 2015

Gallery Assistant | Waterfront Art Space | Providence, RI

- Prepared gallery spaces for 8 rotating exhibitions, managing art handling, installation, lighting adjustments, and wall text for 30+ artworks per show
- Documented 200+ artworks with photography, cataloging, and condition reports, maintaining a professional archive used for insurance and exhibition planning
- Created promotional materials including press releases, social posts, and event flyers for 6 upcoming exhibitions, contributing to a 25% increase in event attendance
- Facilitated visitor tours and artist talks for 15+ represented artists, developing public engagement and communication skills across diverse audience groups

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA) in Painting

Rhode Island School of Design, Providence, RI | May 2012

CERTIFICATIONS

Unreal Engine Environment Design Certificate, Epic Games, March 2019