

Robin Serr

California-Credentialed, Single-Subject Art Teacher

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Objective

As an art educator, I am happy to create an atmosphere of student-empowerment through high expectation, plentiful practice, and caring support. I am continuously training myself, learning and refining my teaching and craft to adapt to the specific needs and interests of my students, providing relevant and nourishing content that my students can take with them to enrich their own lives and the lives of those around them.

Teaching Experience

Crescenta Valley High School, Glendale Unified School District, (2021/22)

Elective Art Teacher (Grades 9-12) and Elective Digital Photography Teacher (Grades 9-12)

Responsible for---

- designing and implementing daily lesson plans and larger units that meet rigorous expectations of community
- adjusting instruction to meet the individual needs of students in temporary quarantine
- engaging students in learning and managing a productive and safe classroom environment
- implementing a variety of instructional strategies and assessments and adapting them for special populations
- creating teacher examples and providing live teacher demonstrations
- recording grades using school-adopted online grade book and communicating with students/families
- collecting and analyzing student data to inform instruction
- regularly assessing need for appropriate art materials and ordering supplies using lab donations

2 courses taught---

- Art 1/2 (Introductory course)
- Photography 1/2 (Introductory course)

Arcadia High School, Arcadia Unified School District, (2018/19, 2019/20, 2020/21)

Elective Art Teacher (Grades 9-12) and Elective Digital Photography Teacher (Grades 9-12)

Responsible for similar duties as above with the following additions below---

- redesigning lessons and units to provide the best distance-learning virtual experience for students

2 courses taught---

- Art-1 (Introductory course)
- Digital Photography (Introductory course)

Granada Hills Charter High School, Granada Hills, Summer 2018

Summer School Visual Arts Teacher (Grades 9-11)

Responsible for similar duties as above with the following additions below---

- engaging students in learning during four-hour class periods
- condensing a year's worth of content into a comprehensive six-week summer course

1 course taught---

- Art 1 (Introductory course)

California School of the Arts- San Gabriel Valley, Duarte Unified School District (2017/18)

Ceramics Elective Teacher (Grades 9-11) and Visual Arts Conservatory Instructor (Grades 7-11)

Responsible for similar duties as above with the following additions below---

- assisting with charter school fundraising

4 courses taught ---

- Middle School Intro to 2D Art
- High School Intro to Ceramic Handbuilding
- High School Intro to Drawing and Painting
- High School Intro to Ceramics

La Canada High School, La Canada Unified School District (2014/15, 2015/16, 2016/17)

Elective Ceramics Teacher (Grades 7-12) and Elective Art Teacher (Grades 7-8)

Responsible for similar duties as above with the following additions below---

- gathering donations, and ordering those materials myself by working with on-staff budget accountant.

4 courses taught—

- Beginning Ceramics
- Middle School Ceramics
- Advanced Ceramics
- Middle School Art

Machinery---

Kilns (gas, electric, raku), pug mill

Education

Clear Credential, Single-Subject-Art, High-Stakes TPA-Certified Highly-Qualified

Issued by California Commission on Teacher Credentialing

---Received Spring 2016

BTSA California Teacher Induction

---Received Spring 2016

Bachelors of Arts in Art Education from California State University, Long Beach – Long Beach, California

---Received Spring 2012

Awards

Outstanding Student Teacher from Delta Kappa Gamma Society International for Key Women Educators

---Received August 2014

Relevant Skills

Art

- Teaching experience in art foundational techniques
 - Elements and principles of design
 - Aesthetic valuing and art criticism
 - Drawing with graphite drawing pencils, with charcoal, and with colored pencil
 - Painting with watercolor, with gouache, with acrylic, and with oil paint
 - Sculpting with paper-mache
 - Relief printmaking

Ceramics

- Teaching experience in ceramic techniques
 - Hand-building: Pinch, hollowing, soft slab, hard slab, exposed coil building, smoothed coil building
 - Wheel-throwing: Throwing cylinder forms, throwing bowl and plate forms, trimming, pulling cup handles, throwing off the hump

Digital Photography

- Teaching experience in digital photography skills
 - Exposure triangle: aperture priority mode, shutter speed priority mode, ISO
 - Composition using combined techniques including but not limited to: frame within a frame, leading lines, shallow depth of field, abstract shape, rhythm, balance, rule of thirds.
 - Editing software: Adobe Lightroom Classic, Adobe Photoshop.
 - Cameras: Canon and Nikon DSLRs, smartphones

Technology

- Online "Socially-Distanced Learning" during COVID-19 pandemic (Zoom, Google Meets, document cameras)
- Google programs (Classroom, Meet, Drive, Slides, Forms, Docs, Sheets)
- Online grading and attendance programs (Powerschool, Aries, Schoology, Illuminate, Synergy, Q portal)