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**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

**Executive Administration**

March 2013 - Present **Al Éxito**  Des Moines, IA

*Executive Director*

**Arts Administration**

Jan 1. 2006- March 2013 **Iowa Arts Council** Des Moines, IA

*Arts Education and Community Programs Coordinator*

*National Endowment for the Arts Iowa Poetry Out Loud Coordinator*

*National Assembly of State Arts Agencies Arts Education National Chair*

Oct. 2001- Dec. 2005 **Wesley Images** San Jose, CA

*Curator and Project Director*

May 2001- Oct. 2001 **Cesar E. Chavez Foundation** Los Angeles, CA

*Conservation, Preservation, Education Consultant*

*in Affiliation with Smithsonian Institute*

Jan. 2000- Jan. 2001 **Mexican Heritage Plaza**  San Jose, CA

*Curator/ Gallery Manager and Education*

*in Affiliation with Smithsonian Institute*

July 1999- Jan. 2000 **Sacramento Arts Commission** Sacramento, CA

*Arts Education Program Consultant*

July 1998- July 1999 **Los Angeles Children’s Museum,** *Programs Manager* Los Angeles, CA

Oct. 1997- July 1998 **San Diego Children’s Museum,** *Programs* San Diego, CA

**EDUCATION**

1996 – 1998 **Master of Fine Arts** University of California, San Diego, CA

July 1997 Oaxaca Institute for Cultural Studies, Zapotec weaving Catalina Martinez, Oaxaca, Oaxaca, Mexico

1989 1992 **Bachelor of Fine Arts** The School of the Art Institute of Chicago, IL

January 1992 Art History Research: Yucatan Mexico The School of the Art Institute of Chicago, IL

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

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| **Board and Membership** | Grand View University Art Department, Current | National Assembly of State Arts Agency |
| Iowa Department of Education Arts Education Advisory Committee to the Director | Iowa Alliance for Afterschool, | Art Educators of Iowa |
| Americans for the Arts | Iowa Alliance for Arts Education | Cultural Educators of Greater Des Moines |
| **Selected Partnerships** | Grinnell College, Current | Iowa State University Multicultural Education and Curriculum Studies, Current |
| Des Moines Public Schools | John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts & Gallagher Bluedorn Center for the Performing Arts | Iowa Writer’s Workshop |
| Youth Art Month Event and Belin-Blank Center for Creativity Scholastics Awards | | Civic Center of Greater Des Moines |
| **Selected Conferences and Workshops Development** | | Iowa State University 4H Maize Camp, Planning Committee |
| State of Iowa Latino Conference, University of Iowa School of Social Work, Planning Committee since 2006 | Iowa Culture and Language Conference, Department of Education & AEAs, Planning Committee | Department of Education Arts, Planning Committee |
| **Selected Grant Review** | Presidents Committee for Arts and Humanities, Coming Up Taller Afterschool Awards | National Endowment for the Arts, Learning Grants and Challenge America |

**REFERENCES** Available upon request.