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SENIOR SUBJECT-MATTER EXPERT | ART HISTORY | VISUAL INTELLIGENCE | AI EVALUATION

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PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

Internationally exhibited multimedia artist, art historian, curator, educator, and creative strategist with more than 30 years of professional experience spanning contemporary art, photography, visual culture, higher education, museums, cultural institutions, and interdisciplinary creative practice.

Brings advanced subject-matter expertise in art history, photographic arts, visual analysis, image evaluation, cultural interpretation, critical reasoning, and professional communication. Combines scholarly research, curatorial judgment, and extensive studio practice to evaluate visual and written content for accuracy, composition, meaning, historical context, originality, and quality.

Applies this expertise to the emerging field of artificial intelligence, including evaluation of AI-generated visual and written content, multimodal assessment, prompt development, iterative image refinement, and critical analysis of machine-generated outputs. Experienced integrating generative AI into research, exhibition development, interpretive writing, digital media, and professional creative workflows.

Recognizes that technological capability and human intelligence are not interchangeable. Effective AI development requires sophisticated human judgment, cultural knowledge, historical understanding, visual literacy, and the ability to distinguish factual accuracy from inference, superficial pattern recognition from meaningful interpretation, and technical execution from creative intelligence.

Combines the analytical rigor of an art historian, the visual judgment of a senior curator, the practical knowledge of an internationally exhibiting artist, and the communication skills of an experienced university educator.

AI, VISUAL INTELLIGENCE & SUBJECT-MATTER EXPERTISE

AI Evaluation & Human Judgment

- Critical evaluation of AI-generated visual and written content.
- Assessment of factual accuracy, contextual integrity, reasoning, and relevance.
- Identification of visual inconsistencies, historical inaccuracies, cultural misrepresentation, and unsupported conclusions.
- Evaluation of AI responses against professional standards, source material, and defined creative or scholarly objectives.
- Recognition of distinctions between fact, interpretation, inference, and fabrication.
- Assessment of creative quality, originality, coherence, and alignment with a professional brief.

Visual Analysis & Multimodal Evaluation

- Advanced photographic and visual composition analysis.
- Evaluation of lighting, color, perspective, framing, visual hierarchy, and spatial relationships.
- Interpretation of visual symbolism, iconography, semiotics, and cultural references.
- Assessment of artistic intention, aesthetic coherence, and visual communication.
- Comparative image analysis and visual classification.
- Critical review of generated imagery, photographic content, and visual narratives.

Art History, Research & Cultural Intelligence

- Extensive knowledge of Western and non-Western art histories and visual traditions.
- Historical research, contextual analysis, and interpretation of artworks and photographic imagery.
- Analysis of representation, identity, gender, censorship, material culture, and cultural narratives.
- Research synthesis and source evaluation.
- Identification of historical, artistic, and cultural references across disciplines and periods.

Generative AI & Creative Workflows

- Practical integration of generative AI into professional creative and research processes.
- Prompt development, refinement, and iterative image evaluation.
- Critical comparison of AI-generated outputs against intended concepts and professional standards.
- AI-assisted exhibition catalogs, interpretive texts, press releases, website content, and digital media.
- Evaluation of the relationship between human creative direction and machine-generated results.
- Translation of complex creative and scholarly objectives into clear instructions and structured deliverables.

Professional Content Development & Communication

- Research-intensive professional writing and editing.
- Analytical reports, interpretive essays, exhibition narratives, and educational documentation.
- Development and evaluation of professional documents, presentations, and structured project materials.
- Curriculum and instructional design.
- Clear articulation of complex visual, historical, and conceptual ideas for specialized and general audiences.

CORE SUBJECT-MATTER COMPETENCIES

Art History | Photography | Photography Curation | Visual Analysis | Image Evaluation | Image Quality Assessment | Visual Culture | Contemporary Art | Museum and Exhibition Curation | Critical Theory | Semiotics | Iconography | Art Criticism | Cultural Interpretation | Historical Research | Creative Direction | Art Direction | Digital Media | Multimedia Art | Sculpture and Installation | Generative AI | AI-Assisted Creative Workflows | Prompt Development | Critical Writing | Research Synthesis | Curriculum Design | Interdisciplinary Learning | Program Development | Institutional Leadership.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

FOUNDER & CREATIVE DIRECTOR
IKONOLOGY STUDIOS | Multidisciplinary Creative Practice

- Direct an independent creative practice integrating art, art history, visual intelligence, research, strategy, and interdisciplinary design.
- Develop original multimedia, photographic, sculptural, and installation-based projects informed by historical research and contemporary critical discourse.
- Apply generative AI to research, visual development, image creation, content development, and professional communication.
- Evaluate AI-generated imagery and written material through established standards of visual literacy, historical accuracy, conceptual coherence, and critical judgment.
- Develop research-driven digital content examining the intersection of artificial intelligence, visual intelligence, cultural knowledge, and human expertise.
- Translate complex concepts into professional websites, presentations, interpretive materials, and public-facing communications.

AI & VISUAL INTELLIGENCE — Professional Research and Practice

Developed an interdisciplinary framework applying more than three decades of artistic, curatorial, and academic expertise to AI evaluation and development.
Central proposition:
ART HISTORY. VISUAL INTELLIGENCE. HUMAN JUDGMENT.

Professional perspective:
Human intelligence is not generational. Cultural knowledge is not obsolete. Experience is a form of intelligence.

AI systems require more than pattern recognition and technical performance. They require expert human evaluation capable of identifying inaccuracies, assessing reasoning, interpreting cultural context, recognizing visual quality, and distinguishing meaningful intelligence from plausible but unsupported output.

Current areas of professional inquiry include:

- Human evaluation of AI-generated visual content.
- Historical and cultural accuracy in machine-generated imagery and text.
- Visual reasoning, image interpretation, and comparative analysis.

- Critical assessment of AI-generated creative work.
- The relationship between archival knowledge, memory, visual culture, and machine intelligence.

DIRECTOR & CURATOR
FALLBROOK ART CENTER | Fallbrook, California | 2022–2025

- Directed institutional operations, curatorial programming, exhibition development, and public engagement.
- Conceived, organized, and curated approximately 8–10 exhibitions annually, including juried, contemporary, community, and multi-generational exhibitions.
- Evaluated artists, submitted artwork, visual quality, conceptual coherence, and exhibition proposals.
- Developed curatorial statements, interpretive texts, exhibition catalogs, press materials, and public programming.
- Established partnerships with artists, educators, collectors, cultural organizations, and community stakeholders.
- Directed educational programming and integrated exhibition-based learning into institutional activities.
- Managed institutional budgets, sponsorship development, fundraising, and organizational priorities.
- Applied digital and generative AI tools to professional communications, exhibition development, and institutional workflows.

ART DIRECTOR
CULTURAL ARTS CENTER | Mumbai, India | 2007–2009

- Co-developed a multi-generational cultural arts initiative integrating visual arts, performance, and community engagement.
- Established interdisciplinary programming frameworks responsive to local cultural contexts.
- Delivered lectures and studio instruction at undergraduate and graduate levels.
- Developed collaborative relationships across educational and cultural institutions.
- Integrated contemporary art practice, historical inquiry, and cross-cultural interpretation into programming.

TEACHING ARTIST | PROGRAM DIRECTOR | ARTIST IN RESIDENCE

Museums, Universities & International Cultural Organizations | 1996–2011; 2022–Present

More than 25 years of teaching, curriculum development, and institutional collaboration across elementary, middle school, secondary, university, and adult education.

- Designed and facilitated exhibition-based and collection-driven educational programs.
- Developed original curricula integrating studio practice, art history, photography, research, and critical dialogue.
- Taught studio art, photography, digital media, art history, and interdisciplinary creative practice.

- Applied object-based learning, visual analysis, and critical inquiry to educational programming.
- Developed project-based learning models integrating art, science, humanities, and contemporary culture.
- Worked with diverse age groups, educational populations, and cultural communities.
- Designed educational frameworks aligned with institutional objectives and California Visual Arts Standards.
- Delivered lectures, workshops, professional development, and public presentations.

Selected Institutional Affiliations

- University of California, San Diego — Scholar in Residence; Adjunct Professor.
- Chapman University — Adjunct Professor, Art History, Studio Art, Photography, and Digital Media.
- University of Southern California — Artist in Residence / Educational Programming.
- Orange County Museum of Art — Master Instructor; Artist in Residence.
- San Diego Museum of Art — Artist in Residence; Instructor.
- The New Children's Museum — Founder, K–12 Educational Programs; Curriculum Development.
- California Center for the Arts, Escondido — Teaching Artist.
- Ryman Arts — Master Instructor.
- Walt Disney Imagineering — Educational Programming.
- International Artist-in-Residence Programs — United States, Hong Kong, People's Republic of China, and India.

PHOTOGRAPHY, MULTIMEDIA & CURATORIAL PRACTICE

Internationally exhibited artist working across photography, digital media, sculpture, installation, and interdisciplinary visual research.

Professional expertise includes photographic composition, image selection, visual narrative, conceptual development, color theory, lighting, material processes, and critical interpretation.

Experienced evaluating artwork and photographic imagery within artistic, historical, cultural, and institutional contexts.

Selected Projects & Research

- **Janson's Prayer Wheel** — Large-scale multimedia artwork investigating historical texts, visual culture, and the transformation of printed knowledge.
- **Turban Undone** — Woven hair paintings examining identity, materiality, gender, and representation.
- **Ghost in the Machine** — Multimedia exploration of technology, perception, and representation.

- **Read Me Like a Book** — Commissioned kinetic sculptural installation developed in collaboration with architect Wallace Cunningham.
- **OLYMPIA (2004)** — Multimedia installation referencing Titian's *Venus of Urbino* and Manet's *Olympia*.
- **INDIGO TEARS (2005)** — International multimedia installation examining cultural exchange, material histories, and indigo production.
- **INNOCENT EYE TEST (2004)** — Multimedia installation presented in Hong Kong.

Research and creative practice investigate censorship, erasure, archival memory, visual representation, gendered narratives, material culture, and the relationship between historical knowledge and contemporary technology.

EDUCATION

California Institute of the Arts (CalArts)
MFA, Fine Art
Chapman University
BFA, Studio Art
BA, Art History

ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL CAPABILITIES

- Advanced research, analytical writing, editing, and content development.
- Exhibition and project management.
- Professional presentation and interpretive development.
- Curriculum and instructional framework development.
- Digital publishing and website content strategy.
- Generative AI integration in creative and professional workflows.
- Cross-disciplinary collaboration and international cultural engagement.
- Public speaking, lectures, workshops, and academic presentations.

LANGUAGES

English; French (conversational).

PROFESSIONAL AVAILABILITY

Available for remote contract engagements, consulting, and subject-matter expert assignments involving:
Art History | Photography | Visual Arts | Image Curation | Visual Analysis | AI Training & Evaluation | Multimodal Assessment | Cultural Interpretation | Critical Reasoning | Research | Professional Writing | Creative Evaluation | Educational Content Development.