

CURRICULUM VITAE
Jennifer Cawley Alvillar

EDUCATION

2014 MFA in Painting, Savannah College of Art and Design, Atlanta, Georgia
1991 BFA in Printmaking, The Atlanta College of Art, Atlanta, Georgia

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2025 - present **Visual Arts Instructor**, Arabia Mountain High School, Stonecrest, Georgia. Teach grades 9-12 Visual Art Comprehensive, Drawing and Painting II/III, Advanced Placement Studio Art, Art Club Sponsor

2020 - 2025 **Visual Arts Instructor**, D.M. Therrell High School, Atlanta, Georgia. Taught grades 9-12 Visual Art Comprehensive, Drawing and Painting II/III, International Baccalaureate Visual Arts Diploma Programme, Advanced Placement Studio Art, Art Club sponsor.

2010 - 2020 **Fine Arts Department Chair**, Our Lady of Mercy Catholic High School, Fayetteville, Georgia. Supervised and evaluated fine arts teachers. Facilitated Professional Learning Communities, coordinated fundraising for fine arts programs, managed fine arts budgets, designed and built sets for the theater arts department, directed Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, and Belonging programming within the fine arts department.

2009 - 2020 **Visual Arts Instructor**, Our Lady of Mercy Catholic High School, Fayetteville, Georgia. Taught grades 9-12 Survey of the Visual Arts, Introduction to Photography and Printmaking, Exploring 3-D Forms, Painting and Drawing, Advanced Studio Art, Advanced Placement Studio Art, and sponsored National Art Honor Society.

2017 - 2018 **Interim Visual Arts Instructor**, Our Lady of Victory Catholic School, Tyrone, Georgia. Taught grades K-8 general art education.

2002 - 2009 **Self-employed artist**, Mounted several solo exhibitions in commercial galleries, negotiated contracts, organized shipment of artworks, met with collectors. Participated in many group exhibitions in US, UK, and Canada Completed commissioned paintings for the hospitality industry, collaborated with interior designers and art consultants.

CREDENTIALS

2019 **Global Educator 101 Certificate** from the State Department to teach global competency in visual arts classes.

2012 **Standard Professional Teaching Certificate**
SRT ART (P-12) [FLD764]

Georgia Professional Standards Commission, License #840856
First issued July 2012 – Valid until June 2027

HONORS & AWARDS

- 2025** **Excellence in Art Education**, Atlanta Public Schools
- 2019** **Art Educator of the Year**, Justice & Peace Ministry, Archdiocese of Atlanta
- 2018** **Teacher of the Year**, Our Lady of Mercy Catholic High School, Archdiocese of Atlanta
- 2017** **Archdiocesan Outstanding**, Educator, Justice & Peace Ministry, Archdiocese of Atlanta
- 2011** **Dean's Fellowship**, SCAD-Atlanta
- 2010** **Sterne Scholarship**, Atlanta Printmakers Studio

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

- 2014** **GAEA Conference** Macon, Georgia, Presented digital full-dome projection in the Macon Museum of Arts and Sciences planetarium with an emphasis on STEAM. Presented a lesson plan integrating technology with color theory.
- 2013** **GAEA Conference**, Savannah, Georgia. Presented Everyartist.me, a national art project that advocates for sustaining fine arts in schools.

SERVICE

- 2025 - present** **PTSA**, Arabia Mountain High School
- 2024 - 2025** **GO Team**, D.M. Therrell High School Governance Team. Reviews and votes on school policies and procedures.
- 2023 - present** **Intercultural Commission**, Archdiocese of Atlanta
- 2023 - present** **Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD)** Advisory Committee, Restorative Justice Ministry, Archdiocese of Atlanta
- 2014 - 2019** **FLAME Team Director** (spiritual leadership team/youth ministry)
Promoted Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, and Belonging by facilitating field trips, guest speakers, and student panels to engage in civil dialogue addressing racism, gender bias, LGBTQIA+ concerns, migrants and refugee support.

2017-2018	Principal Formation Program , Office of Catholic Schools, Archdiocese of Atlanta
2014 - 2015	Archdiocese of Atlanta Curriculum Committee for Fine Arts, updated the visual arts curriculum using multiple assessments aligned with new NAEA standards.
2012 - 2013	Archdiocese of Atlanta Accreditation Committee in the area of resources; helped identify areas of success as well as areas of growth for both learning challenged and gifted students.
1994	Resident artist , Hermitage Comprehensive School, County Durham, England
1991	Internship , Nexus Press, Atlanta

GRANTS

2019	Bright Ideas Grant for innovative teaching with technology in the fine arts department to purchase audio/visual equipment for Skype in the classroom to implement Digital Citizenship and Global Learning.
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SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2016	<i>Reload/Refresh</i> Pop-Up Show, Faulkner+Locke, Atlanta, GA
2014	<i>Tethered</i> (MFA Thesis Exhibition), Bradley Observatory & Delafield Planetarium, Agnes Scott College, Decatur, GA.
2012	<i>You Can't Get There from Here</i> , Emily Amy Gallery, Atlanta
2008	<i>Squeeze, Float, Bang!</i> Tinney+Cannon Contemporary, Nashville
2007	<i>Common Thread</i> , TEW Galleries, Atlanta
2005	<i>Recent Work</i> , Lanoue Fine Art, Boston
2003	<i>Where Water Meets Distance</i> , Lowe Gallery, Atlanta

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2022	<i>Reimagine Peace: The Art of Resistance</i> ArtsXchange, Atlanta
2021	APS Faculty Juried Art Exhibition, Mint Gallery Atlanta, GA
2020	<i>The Artistic Approach to Advancing Human Rights</i> , United Nations Association, USA
2019	<i>Encounter</i> , Ignatius House, Atlanta, GA
2013	<i>Cut, Altered, Assembled</i> , Bobick Gallery, University of West GA

2010	<i>Down the Rabbit Hole</i> , Emily Amy Gallery, Atlanta
2008	<i>Unveiled</i> , Tinney+Cannon Contemporary, Nashville
2007	<i>Language</i> , Spruill Gallery, Atlanta
2004	<i>Small Packages</i> , Cumberland Gallery, Nashville

BIBLIOGRAPHY

- 2012** Jennifer Cawley leaps into Alice's rabbit hole in dreamlike paintings at Emily Amy Gallery by Lilly Lampe [ArtsATL](#) December 18
- 2010** Review: Jennifer Cawley's wonderfully strange and familiar paintings at Emily Amy Gallery by Jerry Cullum [ArtsATL](#) September 22
- 2005** Jennifer Cawley at Lanoue Fine Art Review by Shawn Hill
Art New England October/November issue
- 2005** Jennifer Cawley at Lanoue Fine Art Review by Jonathan Fardy Issue # 25
of [Big, Red, & Shiny](#) an online journal of the arts in Boston
- 2005** Jennifer Cawley at TEW Review by Erik Schneider [The View from the Edge of the Universe](#)
- 2004** A visit to enchanted worlds edged by clouds Review by Jerry Cullum
The
Atlanta Journal-Constitution
- 2003** Whimsy Takes Flight OBJECT LESSONS/Neat Things on View Around Town by Catherine Fox The Atlanta Journal-Constitution
- 2000** Jennifer Cawley at The Lowe Gallery Review by Cathy Byrd ART PAPERS

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

National Art Education Association
Georgia Art Education Association
High Museum
Atlanta Contemporary

