James Bascara

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Education

2011 – BFA Illustration with Honors, School of Visual Arts, New York, NY. Silas H. Rhodes Scholarship

2008 - Fine Arts & Illustration Program, Mercer County Community College, Trenton, NJ.

2005 – BS Biomedical Engineering, Rutgers University, Piscataway, NJ.

Professional Appointments

2019 to present – Lecturer, Parsons School of Design, The New School. New York, NY, USA

Courses: Illustration Senior Thesis I & II, Core 4D Seminar, Getting to Know Materials,

Professional Practices, From Copy to Image

2021 to present - Lecturer, School of Visual Arts. New York, NY, USA

Courses: Experimental Animation, Dimensional Storytelling in Blender

2011 to present – Freelance Illustrator and Animator, JR Bee Studio

Clients include: The New York Times, The Los Angeles Times, The New Yorker, ProPublica,

Scientific American, WIRED, Vice, Quanta Magazine, The Baffler, NPR

2018 to 2020 - Staff Illustrator, Dotdash Media. New York, NY, USA

2018 to 2019 – Work-exchange technician and instructor, Choplet Ceramics Studio. Brooklyn, NY, USA

Awards and Recognition

2021 - NYSCA/NYFA Artist Fellowship Finalist, Video/Film

2018 - Jury Honorable Mention for Best Animated Short, Slamdance Film Festival

2015 – Best Animated Short, Mammoth Lakes Film Festival

2011 – BRIC Registry Artist of the Month, July

American Illustration Annuals 31, 32, 33, 34, 38, 39

Society of Illustrators Annuals 55, 56, 57, 61

Select Exhibitions

2023 - GUI/GOOEY. Plexus Projects, Virtual

2021 – PURE SOURCE. Blanc Gallery, Quezon City, Philippines

2020 – A Place to Visit v2.0. Jip Gallery and Olympia, Virtual

2020 - Two Weeks Into My Shelf Life. 67 West St, Brooklyn, NY, USA

2019 - Slide. Jip Gallery, New York, NY, USA

2019 - The First Picture of You: 1990. Philippine Consulate General, New York, NY, USA

2018 - Optimism. Endless Editions Biennial, EFA Project Space, New York, NY, USA

2018 - Halo-Halo. Bliss on Bliss Projects, Queens, NY, USA

2018 - Permeable Boundaries. Plexus Projects, Brooklyn, NY, USA

2018 - Bundok Saints. C'mon Everybody Gallery, Brooklyn, NY, USA

2017 – Melted City 4. Blanc Gallery, Quezon City, Philippines

2016 - Mercer Arts at 50. The Gallery, West Windsor, NJ, USA

2014 - Hronir: Un-Lost Things. Temporary Storage Gallery, Brooklyn, NY, USA

2013 – The Pond, the Mirror, & the Kaliedoscope. The Visual Arts Gallery, New York, NY, USA

2013 – Old Wives Lies. AG Gallery, Brooklyn, NY, USA

2012 - Solo Exhibition The Violet Hour. Brooklyn College, Brooklyn, NY, USA

Select Screenings

2022 - Slamdance Film Festival. Park City, UT, USA

2022 – Athens Animfest. Athens, Greece

(Select Screenings continued)

- 2022 Indie Street Film Festival. Red Bank, NJ, USA
- 2022 Tallgrass Film Festival. Wichita, KS, USA
- 2020 3rd Annual Rockaway Film Festival, *Animation Program Curator*. Queens, NY and Virtual
- 2020 Slamdance Film Festival (Festival Trailer Artist). Park City, UT, USA
- 2019 NEWHOUSE. MoMA PS1, Long Island City, NY, USA
- 2019 Video Snack 7. Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA, USA
- 2019 Rockaway Film Festival. Brooklyn, NY, USA
- 2019 Saturday Morning Cartoons. Ti Art Studios Gallery, Brooklyn, NY, USA
- 2018 Slamdance Film Festival. Park City, UT, USA
- 2018 Mammoth Lakes Film Festival. Mammoth Lakes, CA, USA
- 2018 Oxford Film Festival. Oxford, MS, USA
- 2018 Urban Nomad Film Fest. Taipei, Taiwan
- 2018 NEWHOUSE #1. Syndicated BK, Brookyn, NY, USA
- 2018 Las Vegas Film Festival. Las Vegas, NV, USA
- 2018 Fest Anča. Zilina, Slovakia
- 2018 PÖFF Shorts. Tallinn, Estonia
- 2018 Minikino Film Week. Bali, Indonesia
- 2018 Stuff MX Film Festival. Mexico City, Mexico
- 2018 Syndicated Shorts Film Festival. Brooklyn, NY, USA
- 2018 Flatpack Film Festival. Birmingham, UK
- 2017 Mammoth Lakes Film Festival. Mammoth Lakes, CA, USA
- 2017 Slamdance Film Festival. Park City, UT, USA
- 2016 Mammoth Lakes Film Festival (Festival Key Artist). Mammoth Lakes, CA, USA
- 2016 MON ŒIL. Centre Pompidou, Paris, France
- 2015 Slamdance Film Festival. Park City, UT, USA
- 2015 BendFilm Festival. Bend, OR, USA
- 2015 Animation Block Party. Brooklyn Academy of Music, Brooklyn, NY, USA
- 2015 Rooftop Films Summer Series. Brooklyn, NY, USA
- 2015 Mammoth Lakes Film Festival. Mammoth Lakes, CA, USA
- 2015 Chicago Alternative Comics Expo (CAKE). Chicago, IL, USA
- 2014 Sarasota Film Festival. Sarasota, FL, USA
- 2014 Anima Mundi. São Paulo, Brazil

Conventions

- 2022 Sounds About Riso. Lucky Risograph, New York, NY, USA
- 2020 Sounds About Riso.online (exhibitor and key artist). Virtual
- 2019 Sounds About Riso. Lucky Risograph, New York, NY, USA
- 2019 Greenpoint Open Studios. Brooklyn, NY, USA
- 2019 2nd Annual Asian American Ceramicists Fair. Wing on Wo & Co., New York, NY, USA
- 2019 MoCCA Fest. New York, NY, USA
- 2019 Press Play. Pioneer Works, Brooklyn, NY, USA
- 2019 Chicago Art Book Fair (Filipino American Artist Directory). Chicago, IL, USA
- 2016 Zine Exchange. Pioneer Works, Brooklyn, NY, USA
- 2015 Bushwick Open Studios. Brooklyn, NY, USA

Press

Wolff, Ellen. "Guiding Lights: Five Innovative Animation Classes in 2022". Animation Magazine no. 316, March 4, 2022. https://www.animationmagazine.net/2022/03/guiding-lights-five-innovative-animation-classes-in-2022/

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- "Awards from Mammoth Lakes Film Festival". Sierra Wave Media, June 6, 2015. https://sierrawave.net/awards-from-mammoth-lakes-film-festival/
- Howland, Melissa, "Shorts Block I MLFF 2015". We Are Movie Geeks, May 29, 2015. https://www.wearemoviegeeks.com/2015/05/shorts-block-mlff-2015/
- "On The Unique Powers of Zines: (Mini)nterview with Alyson del Pino". The Sachs Program for Arts Innovation, October 12, 2018. https://sachsarts.org/news/on-the-unique-powers-of-zines-mininterview-with-alyson-del-pino/

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