

Natalie Velez

Art Practice & Curatorial Work CV

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EDUCATION

- 2022 – Present Institute for Doctoral Studies in the Visual Arts
Ph.D. Student. www.idsva.edu
- 2011-2014 Morean Arts Center. Studied under Dr. Rose Marie Prins. St. Petersburg, Florida
- 2014 Mixed Media Workshop. Dr. Rose Marie Prins. St. Petersburg, Florida
- 1993-1997 Saint Petersburg State University for Culture and Arts
Degree: M.A., B.A. in Public and Cultural Activity, Russia

SELECTED EXHIBITIONS

- 2024 They Had No Time to Say Goodbye. Social change initiative and art installation by Dr. Rose Marie Prins. Media: Scratched X-ray film. The cross-border collaborative mixed-media installation about the crisis of missing and murdered women.
- 2023 Women's History Month: 100 Women in Art History, St. Joseph's Hospital, Group Exhibition. Tampa, Florida
- 2021 Project G.O.A.T. Global Offensive Against Trafficking. Zoo Tampa at Lowry Park, Tampa, Florida
- 2020 Online #OneArtistOneStory, Bella Unica Art Gallery, St. Petersburg, Florida
- 2019 Jose Rodeiro & Natalie Velez. Art Fridays at the Vinoy, The Vinoy® Renaissance Resort & Golf Club, St. Petersburg, Florida
- 2018 100th Annual Members Show, Morean Arts Center, Group Exhibition. St. Petersburg, Florida
- 2017 Vinoy Place Art Show, Group Exhibition. St. Petersburg, Florida
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- 2016 Digital Photography. Davidson Fine Art Gallery, Group Exhibition. St. Petersburg, FL
- 2014 Mixing Visions. Gallery 221 HCC, Group Exhibition. Tampa, Florida
- 2014 Everything Dolce, Group Exhibition. St. Petersburg, Florida

SELECTED CURATORIAL WORK

- 2024 *Textile Art* by Alina Sulimova. Solo Art Show. Narthex Gallery. Our Savior Lutheran Church & School. St. Petersburg, Florida
- 2022 *Unity*. Reflection on contemporary military conflicts. Artists Jose Rodeiro, Linda Roberts, Gina White, Dee Perconti and Diane Radel. Narthex Gallery. Our Savior Lutheran Church & School. St. Petersburg, Florida
- 2021 *The Journey* by Gina White. Encaustic and Mixed-media exhibition. Narthex Gallery. Our Savior Lutheran Church & School. St. Petersburg, Florida
- 2020 *Art Blossom. Emerging Artists of Tampa Bay*. (co-curated), Group Art Show. Gilbert Chapel Gallery, St. Petersburg, FL
- Contemporary Xylography by José Oscar Torres Pereyra*. Solo Show. Narthex Gallery. Our Savior Lutheran Church & School. St. Petersburg, Florida
- 2019 *José Rodeiro: Artist*. (co-curated), Solo Art Show. Gilbert Chapel Gallery, St. Petersburg, Florida
- Whimsical Steampunk* by Debbie Bright (co-curated), Solo Art Show. Gilbert Chapel Gallery, St. Petersburg, Florida
- Creative Farm Art Market and Spoken Word*. Group Art Show. In collaboration with Austen van der Bleek and the Open House Conspiracy. Paper Crane, St. Petersburg, Florida
- 100th Anniversary of the Women's Suffrage Amendment* by Suzanne Benton. Solo exhibition and performance. The Vinoy® Renaissance Resort & Golf Club, St. Petersburg, Florida
- The Exquisite Corpse Games at The Vinoy*. Displayed 4 (four) Artworks created by 12 (twelve) Artists: Lesli Pringle, Frederick Woods, Anita Wexler, Jim Kammerud, Jim Rolston, Rebekah Lazaridis, Nicolas Descharnes, Tomeu L'Amo, Chuck Vosburgh, Geff Strik, Don Gillespie, Amy Ernst. The Vinoy® Renaissance Resort & Golf Club, St. Petersburg, Florida
- Caribbean Quarter. Roots. Rhythm. Culture*. Ybor City glass mosaics by Maria Ortiz-Haynes. The goal was to introduce the key aspects of Latin culture: music, dancing, food, religion, and spirituality as well as the love for coffee and cigars. The Vinoy® Renaissance Resort & Golf Club, St. Petersburg, Florida
- 2018 *Colors of the Season* (co-curator), Group Exhibition. Gilbert Chapel Gallery, St. Petersburg, Florida
- Bella Unica Emerging Artists Show*, Group Show. Kozuba and Sons Distillery, St. Petersburg, Florida
- 2017-2020 *Art at The Vinoy*. Weekly rotating art show, representing Tampa Bay artists. I was honored to represent artists Dee Perconti, Suzanne Benton, Irina Lapin, Linda Roberts, Rose Marie Prins, Debbie Bright, Elaine Anagnos, Lauren Amalia Redding, Michael J. O'Connell, sculptor Brett F Harvey, Photographers Marian Tagliarino, Mikey Stonch, and many others. The Vinoy® Renaissance Resort & Golf Club, St. Petersburg, Florida

SELECTED SPECIAL EVENTS & EXHIBITIONS

- 2022 *Florida Kaleidoscope*. Art Curator. The 2022 St. Pete Beach Classic Art Event showcased 15 local artists, showing 30 original works. Juried by Emily Kapes, the Curator of Art at The James Museum of Western & Wildlife. Sirata Hotel. St. Pete Beach, Florida
- 2019 *Opening Night of The Exquisite Corpse Exhibition*. Coordinator. Chihuly Glass Museum. St. Petersburg, Florida
- Renaissance Global Day of Discovery*. Art Curator. Coordinated, planned, and conducted art installation for The Vinoy® Renaissance Resort & Golf Club and Renaissance Annual Global Day of Discovery. St. Petersburg, Florida
- 2018-2019 *Art, Fashion & Spirits*. Art Curator and co-coordinator. Community event and outreach. Art, Fashion, and Spirits celebrated the revival of St. Petersburg, Florida as a cultural and arts center. In collaboration with Pippa Pelure Fashion Boutique and Kozuba & Son's Distillery. The event hosted more than 300 visitors. St. Petersburg, Florida
- 2021 *Project G.O.A.T. Global Offensive Against Trafficking*. On Feb. 6, Rob Canton's A+C Foundation held a public art auction to raise money for charities that fight and raise awareness of, human trafficking. Art Committee. Art show planning and installation for Art Auction. Working with more than 100 artworks in different mediums, styles, and levels to create a comprehensive experience for the auction visitors. The event raised \$200,000 for charity. Among the artists on display are Ya La'Ford, Jorge Roldan, Jose Rodeiro, Trisha Shamburger, Jenipher Chandley, Dawn Hunt, and Rose Marie Prins. Tampa Zoo, Tampa, Florida

ART JURY

- 2019 *Glowing in The Dark*. Invited judge for a group Tampa Bay artists exhibition at the Carrollwood Cultural Center, Carrollwood, Florida

MEMBERSHIP

- 2024 ASA The American Society for Aesthetics was founded in 1942 to promote study, research, discussion, and publication in aesthetics.
- 2023-Present AASLH The American Association for State and Local History is a national membership association dedicated to helping the history community thrive.
- 2023-Present MFA The Museum of Fine Arts, St. Petersburg engages, educates and excites diverse communities by collecting, exhibiting, and preserving works of art for the enrichment and enjoyment of all. St. Petersburg, Florida
- 2017-2018 Morean Arts Center, St. Petersburg, Florida

LEADERSHIP

- 2024-Present Chair of *Art Around Us* Committee. Connecting docent corps with art and educational institutions. The Museum of Fine Arts, St. Petersburg, Florida