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Education:

- 2020 Dual Degree:
MA, Visual + Critical Studies, California College of the Arts, San Francisco, CA
MFA, Fine Arts, California College of the Arts, San Francisco, CA
- 2015 Double Major BFA:
Fine Arts, UC Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara, CA
Biological-Anthropology, UC Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara, CA

Solo Exhibition:

2019, Appendages, Materials Library California College of the Arts, San Francisco, CA

Select Group Exhibitions and Screenings:

- 2020, Family Matters, Root Division, San Francisco, CA
- 2020, Ghost in the Machine, Hubble Street Galleries, San Francisco, CA (canceled)
- 2019, Separation Anxiety (Ovoid), PLAYSPACE Gallery, San Francisco, CA
- 2019, Out of Line, Embark Gallery, San Francisco, CA
- 2019, California College of the Arts MFA Thesis Show, Minnesota Street Project, San Francisco, CA
- 2019, Substrate(s), Hubbell Street Project Space Takeover, San Francisco, CA
- 2019, Garage Pop-up, Kansas St. Space, San Francisco, CA
- 2018, Gestures in Response, Canyon Cinema Salon, 16 Sherman St., San Francisco, CA
- 2018, Manifesto: A Moderate Proposal, Pitzer College Art Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
- 2018, Digging Deep Research in the Archive Exhibition, Simpson Library, San Francisco, CA
- 2017, Bye Bye House Pop-up, Madison St. Space, Portland, OR

Public Art Commission:

2019, CCA Student Presentation on Salesforce Tower, Boston Property (Salesforce Tower), San Francisco, CA

Press:

- Mak, Alex, "Art Students Take Over Salesforce Tower Display," Broke-ass Stuart, May 16, 2019
- Katsuyama, Jana, "Special lighting exhibit prepared for Salesforce Tower's 1st anniversary", KTVU FOX 2, May 15, 2019
- Whiting, Sam, "Salesforce Tower to light up with new art for CCA graduation weekend," DATEBOOK, May 13, 2019

Publication as Author:

- 2023, co-authored with Genevieve Quick, “‘Wallflowers with deep roots’: Taking in 2022’s vibrant, community-driven art scene,” 48hills
- 2022, “Art Review: ‘Material Conditional’ refashions cultural refuse into objects of adoration,” 48hills
- 2022, “Art Review: Kija Lucas scans her roots in ‘A Taxonomy of Belonging,’” 48hills
- 2022, “Art Review: Time slips to dizzying photographic effect in ‘Considered Interactions,’” 48hills
- 2022, “Art Review: With crunch and chirp, ‘Castings’ calls up ancestral muscle memories,” 48hills
- 2022, “Art Review: Kennedy Morgan’s supple interlocking forms summon communal bonds,” 48hills
- 2020, “The Unkempt ‘Uh,’” CCA *Sightlines* Journal

Conferences, Presentations, and Lectures:

- 2020 Artist Talk, *Family Matters*, Root Division
- 2020 “The Unkempt ‘Uh’”, Presenter and Panelist, Visual + Critical Studies Graduate Thesis Symposium, California College of the Arts
- 2019
Guest Artist Lecture, Film Film, California College of the Arts
Guest Artist Lecture, FILM Strange Truth, California College of the Arts
Guest Critic, 3:1 MFA Critique, California College of the Arts
- 2018
“Implicating (Dis)order: Language and Embodiment,” Presenter and Panelist, Identities VCS Symposium, California College of the Arts
Guest Critic, 3:1 MFA Critique, California College of the Arts
- 2017
Guest Critic, 3:1 MFA Critique, California College of the Arts

Awards, Grants, and Honors:

- 2020 Artists Now Fund, Yerba Buena Center for the Arts
- 2019 All College Honors Graduate Critical Writing Award
- 2019 Kaiser Permanente Scholarship, California College of the Arts
- 2019 Ginny Kleker Commitment to Art Award, California College of the Arts
- 2019 Honorable Mention Excellence in Student Leadership Award, California College of the Arts
- 2018, 18th Annual Scholarship Dinner Exhibition Award, California College of the Arts
- 2015, William Dole Memorial Fund, University of California at Santa Barbara
- 2018-2020, Elizabeth Ferber Scholarship, American Indian Graduate Center
- 2017-2020, American Indian Graduate Center Fellowship
- 2018-2019, Sekimachi Scholarship, California College of the Arts
- 2017-2018 Osage Nation Higher Education Scholarship, The Osage Nation
- 2013-2015, Deans List, University of California at Santa Barbara