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Skills Summary: Experienced in leading broad and diverse groups in the design and production of community-based site specific public art. Strategic and creative thinker with the ability to identify unique and innovative solutions for challenging situations. Excellent public speaking, interpersonal, community organizing and presentation skills. Exceptional ability to raise funds and use creativity as a tool for social awareness, educational enrichment, historic preservation, and community development.

Professional Experience

2014-Current

Founder/CEO, Reginald C. Adams LLC, a Public Art & Design Firm based in Houston, Texas

- Developed and organized more than 200 community-based public art projects that engage local youth, residents, business leaders and organizational stakeholders.
- Coordinate the implementation of site-specific community art projects in some of Houston's most historic and underserved communities.
- Collaborate with architects, engineers, designers, artists and community stakeholders in developing community-based public art projects.
- Work in a variety of mediums, including but not limited to; humans, mosaics, acrylic & oil paint and steel sculpture.
- Provide multidisciplinary arts instruction for children with advanced and unique abilities.

1999-2013

President/CEO, Museum of Cultural Arts Houston, (MOCAH)

- Co-founded MOCAH as a 501(c) 3 non-profit cultural arts corporation in 1999.
- Has led MOCAH to become the leading developer of community-based public art in Houston.
- Facilitated the design, production and coordination of over 180 public art projects around the world.
- Raised over \$5MM in mural and public art commissions which have provided employment opportunities to more than 95 professional and emerging artists.
- MOCAH reaches over 3 million Houston youth, residents and visitors through its community based art outreach programs and projects annually.

1997-1999

Artists' Projects Coordinator, Project Row Houses (PRH)

- Coordinated the bi-annual artists' installations.
- Curated spring 1999 round of artists' installations.
- Instructed multidisciplinary arts projects in PRH's After-School Program.
- Fundraised for the artists' projects, within the three years of service with PRH I raised over \$150,000 for artists' projects and installations.

Education

1972-present, Life-trained public artist

1991-93, Texas Southern University, Studied business administration and accounting.

Community Service, Awards & Recognition

2013, Artist of the Year, Texas Children's Hospital Making a Mark Exhibition

2012, 40 Under 40, Houston Business Journal

2011, Artist of the Year, Big Brother Big Sister of Greater Houston

2010, Leadership In Action Award, NCI Baker Ripley Public Art Project

2010, Houston Press, MasterMind Award

2009, Museum District Business Alliance, Community Improvement Award

2009, Mayor's Proud Partner Award, Buckboard Park Mosaic Art Project

2009, Mayor's Proud Partner Award, Leadership Houston XXVII, This is Houston Mosaic Mural

2009, Mayor's Proud Partner Award, Kashmere Gardens Multi-Service Center Mural Project

2007, Community Service Award, Northeast Cultural Arts Council

2007, Established Artist Fellowship, Houston Arts Alliance

2007, Group Study Exchange Fellowship, Istanbul Turkey, Rotary International

2006, Certificate of Recognition, Mayor's Proud Partners Award, Keep Houston Beautiful

2006, Finalist, Save Our History Award, History Channel, Fruits of Fifth Ward Mosaic Mural Project

2005, Honorary Chair, NAACP ACT-SO Awards GALA

2004, Ultimate Artists & Activists Duo, Houston Chronicle

2004, Honorable Mention, Mayor's Proud Partners Award, Keep Houston Beautiful.

2003, Individual Artists Grant Award, CACHH, mural project with Bruce Elementary School

2002, 1st Place, Mayor's Proud Partners Award, Keep Houston Beautiful.

2002, Community Service Award, Americorp & Fifth Ward Community Redevelopment Corporation.

2002, Individual Artists Grant Award, CACHH, mural project with Phillis Wheatley High School.

2000, Mayor's Mini-Grant Award, CACHH, mural with Fifth Ward Community Redevelopment Corp.

2000, Individual Artists Grant Award, CACHH, mural with El Centro De Corazon, Texas Accountants and Lawyers for the Arts and the City of Houston Mayor's Office.

1999, Mayor's Mini-Grant Award, CACHH, mural project with Gregory Lincoln Elementary School.

1999, Individual Artists Grant Award, CACHH, Third Ward mural project.

1995, Individual Artists Grant Award, CACHH, sculpture project with the Depelchin Children's Center.

Memberships & Affiliations

2013-present, Community Development Fellow, American Leadership Forum

2012-present, Center for Houston's Future Spring Forum

2011-present, Past-President, Rotary Club of Houston Skyline

2011-present, Alumni, Leadership Houston Class XXVIII

2011-present, Senior Class Fellow and At-Large Trustee, American Leadership Forum

2010-present, Advisory Board of Directors, Boniuk Center for Religious Tolerance at Rice University

2004-2011, President, Land Assemblage Redevelopment Authority, City of Houston

2003-2006, Commissioner, Municipal Art Commission, City of Houston

2002-2004, Commissioner, Land Redevelopment Committee, City of Houston

2000-2001, Artist Board of Directors, Diverseworks Artspace

1999-2000, Secretary, Board of Directors, Art League of Houston

References

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