# Amy Flatow Art & Photography Educator

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Experienced, dedicated, and passionate fine art & photography educator. I believe in teaching the foundations of technical art and photography so that students can use their skills to find and assert their own voice.

### Education

**Tufts University & School of the Museum of Fine Arts** joint program, Boston, MA, August 2005 *Masters Art Education; Concentration in Photo Art Education grades 5-12, Student teaching placement at Newton North High School* 

## Rhode Island School of Design, Providence, RI, June 2004

BFA Industrial Design; Concentration in Contemporary Issues in Religion and Culture from the Department of History, Philosophy, and Social Science

### Experience

The Beacon School, Photography Teacher, Manhattan NY 2024-Current

Design and implement darkroom and digital curriculum for grades 9-12. Fundraising and grant writing for classroom materials to expand and update the facility. Curator for annual student exhibitions.

**William Alexander Middle School 51**, Photography Instructor, Brooklyn, NY 2009-2024 Design and implement curricula for both darkroom and digital courses for grades 6-8. Darkroom renovation and expansion. Curator of twice-yearly student exhibitions, field trips to cultural organizations, organizer of local events and artist talks and fundraisers - culminating in over \$250,000 for the program from 2010-2024.

**Pratt Institute**, Student Teacher Mentor, Brooklyn, NY 2012, 2014 & 2019-2021 *Mentor teaching provided support to student teachers. Supported student curricula design and implementation, grading and behavior management development in a real-world setting. Mentored 3 students from Pratt, and 1 additional student from The City College of NY in 2012.* 

# Accion Academy, Art Teacher, Bronx NY 2008-09

Design curricula for grades 6-8, often drawing on local artists and experiences, DonorsChoose grants, working with local organizations to implement collaborative public projects including murals and park installations.

## Gann Academy High School, Waltham MA 2006-2008

Photography and Yearbook Teacher & Admissions Associate

Build and implement curriculum, student evaluations, curate photography exhibitions, lead special programs, darkroom maintenance, manage yearbook and student staff.

Interview prospective students, data input, support for Director of Admissions.

## New Art Center, Newtonville, MA 2005-6

Arts in Action Children's Summer Program Manager, Photography Teacher Instruct and build curriculum and lesson plans for teen photography and art classes. Supervise staff, manage daily activities, oversee weekly gallery exhibitions.

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, List Visual Art Center Cambridge MA 2004-5

Gallery Internship

Support Assistant Director and curatorial staff, gallery aid, grant writing.

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#### Licensure & Certification

K-12 New York State Licensed to teach Visual Art New York State CTE Certified in Professional Photography 7-12 Adobe District Leader & Certified Creative Educator L1 & L2

### Skills

Fluent in Adobe Photoshop & Microsoft Suite, Google Classroom, Adobe Creative Educator Certified L1 & L2. Proficient in classroom management, exhibition curation, fundraising, darkroom maintenance, computer maintenance, curriculum building, lesson planning, empowering students to find their creative voice, promoting an environment of mutual respect and expression.

## Student Awards & Exhibitions:

Photoville Educator Grant Recipient, Exhibition Curator; 42 student adjudicators, 48 alumni exhibitors, 2023

Brooklyn Borough Arts Festival; 16 students exhibited, 2016-2024

Scholastic Art Awards, NYC Citywide; 108 student awards, 2011-2024

Scholastic Awards, National Level; 7 student awards, 2011-2021

Arts Connection; 98 students selected for 40 corporate exhibitions in Manhattan, from 2009-2024

PSArt Exhibition at the Metropolitan Museum of Arts; 9 students exhibited in a public exhibition, 2014-2021

PSArt Special Exhibition in Times Square; 2 students, 2016 & 2018

Our Stories of Migration; Old Stone House, Brooklyn, NY, class collaboration, Natalia Nakazawa, 2017 Inside Out Project; Student installation in collaboration with international artist JR, 2014

Fundraising & Special Events
Raised over \$250,000 for the William Alex

Raised over \$250,000 for the William Alexander Middle School 51 photography program since 2009 Biannual student photography exhibition fundraisers totaling over \$77,000 since 2010

DonorsChoose.org classroom fundraising over \$41,000 since 2008 & current Teacher Ambassador

51 Photos for 51 Auction, in collaboration with Powerhouse Books in DUMBO, 2016

<u>Brief Encounters</u> Film Screening / Q&A with Gregory Crewdson / M.S. 51 photography fundraiser, 2014 51 Photos for 51 Auction, Old Stone House, 2012, 2013

NY State Assembly Millman Grant Recipient for the M.S. 51 photography program for \$50,000

#### Media:

NY Metro Parents; Student work exhibited at the Metropolitan Museum of Art, 2016

ABC News; DonorsChoose.org classroom fundraising accomplishments [1:30 mark], 2014

Brklynr, Inside Out art collaboration with international artist JR, 2014

Inside Out Project, Global artist JR's coverage of our classroom collaboration, 2014

WNYC; Student work exhibited in Manhattan through Arts Connection, 2012

## Recommendations:

Lenore Berner, Former Principal William Alexander Middle School 51

Nance Speth, Assistant Principal until 2023, William Alexander Middle School 51

Kimberly Maier, Executive Director, The Old Stone House & Washington Park

John McEneny, Drama Teacher & Collaborator

Andy Hornberger, Art Teacher & Collaborator; Arts Department at William Alexander Middle School 51 Joe Zarba, Collaborator & Former Photography Teacher at William Alexander Middle School 51