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Contact Information

Contact Name	Daisy McGowan	Home Address	[REDACTED]
Preferred Phone	[REDACTED]	Home City	Denver
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Other Phone		Home Zip	80221
Other Email	[REDACTED]	County	Denver
DOB	[REDACTED]	Hispanic or Latino origin or Descent?	No
SSN	[REDACTED]	Race/Ethnicity	Caucasian
Gender	Female	Other Ethnicity	
Other Gender		Salutation	Ms.

Board Information

Board Name	Denver Commission on Cultural Affairs	Other boards or commissions served	
Status	New		

Work Information

Employer	Think 360 Arts for Learning	Work Address	3327 Brighton Blvd.
Position	Executive Director	Work City	Denver
Business Phone #	[REDACTED]	Work State	CO
Work Email	[REDACTED]	Work Zip	80221

Additional Information

Are you a registered voter?	Yes	Objection to appointment?	No
If so, what county?	Denver	Special Information	
Denver City Council District No	1	Registered Lobbyist	
Conflict of Interest Explanation		Conflict of Interest	

Education and General Qualifications

Name of High School	Roosevelt High School	Name of Graduate School	University of Colorado
Location of High School	Seattle, Washington	Location of Graduate School	Colorado Springs
# of Years Attended High school	4	# of Years Attended Graduate School	3
Did you Graduate High School	Yes	Did you Graduate	Yes

Graduate Major Masters in Public Administration

Name of College Colorado College
 Location of College Colorado Springs, Colorado
 # of Years Attended College 4
 Did you Graduate College Yes
 Undergrad Major Studio Art

Reference Details

Reference Name #1	Aisha Ahmad-Post	Reference Email #1	[REDACTED]
Reference Phone #1	[REDACTED]	Reference Address #1	[REDACTED]
Reference Name #2	Louise Martorano	Reference Email #2	[REDACTED]
Reference Phone #2	[REDACTED]	Reference Address #2	[REDACTED]
Reference Name #3	Collin Parson	Reference Email #3	[REDACTED]
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Agree to a background check

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE



Executive Director

Think 360 Arts for Learning, a 60-year old nonprofit organization whose mission is to engage Coloradans of all ages in innovative arts programming that inspires creativity, builds community, & advances equity, based in Denver. State-wide arts-based learning programs for pre-k, youth, older adults, and intergenerational community participants, and arts integration professional development training for teachers, working with 60 Teaching Artists and multiple site partners across the state.

January 2023 - Present

- Chief executive officer, working in partnership with the Board of Directors and the staff to provide leadership, vision and direction.
- Raise \$900,000+ annually in foundation, state, and federal grants, corporate sponsorship, and individual donations.
- Manages the organization's programs and operations, oversees and develops organization's professional staff of eight, and implements policies and strategic plans approved by the Board.
- Manage independent affiliations with national organizations, including Young Audiences and Wolf Trap Institute for Early Learning Through the Arts.
- Represent the organization in the community.



EDUCATION HISTORY



MASTER OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

Institution: University of Colorado

Year of Graduation: 2014

- Certificates: Non-Profit Management & Non-Profit Fund Development



BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS, STUDIO ART

Institution: Colorado College

Year of Graduation: 1998

- Magna Cum Laude
- Award: *Distinction in Studio Art*

RELEVANT SKILLS

- Public Speaking and Writing on Art and Arts Education
- Experienced Contemporary Art Curator, including Public Sculpture Programs
- Arts education for All Ages
- Fundraising for the Arts and Arts Education
- Practicing visual artist

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WORK EXPERIENCE



Director & Chief Curator
University of Colorado Galleries of Contemporary Art

July, 2010 to December, 2022
(12 years, 6 months)

- Design/ implement/produce multiple creative and award-winning programs, solo and in collaboration with campus and community partners, for three sites: GOCA Ent Center (flagship teaching gallery), Downtown (satellite learning lab gallery) and Art WithOut Limits - award-winning public sculpture.
- Curate nationally recognized, high caliber arts programming with interdisciplinary, community activating, and inclusive focus.
- Develop, administrate and report on annual program budget of \$500,000 - federal, state, and foundation grant funding, state budget allocations, in-kind donations, and individual and planned giving donations.
- Robust fundraising activities including annual funding requests of local, regional, and national governmental agencies and UCCS Student Government Association, annual donor campaigns, special events, seasonal campaigns, grant-writing, and a successful major capital campaign (Ent Center for the Arts, 2013-2018, including \$1 million gift for GOCA program (endowment + capital funding).
- Develop curriculum and instruct academic museum studies/gallery practice internships and educational programs for university classes/faculty.

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WORK EXPERIENCE



Assistant Curator Gallery Manager

Colorado College
Interdisciplinary Experimental Arts (IDEA)
Space
Coburn Gallery, Art Department

2005 to 2010
(5 years)

- Curated and produced over 16 major interdisciplinary contemporary art exhibits for the InterDisciplinary Experimental Art (I.D.E.A. Program)
- Lead preparator on over 45 significant exhibitions, including traveling exhibits
Created and executed K-12 education program in collaboration with CC Education Department, including curriculum development and implementation
- Assistant grant writer on national proposals (NEA Our Town grant)
Implemented college-wide collection database and museum-standard storage

K-5 ART EDUCATOR

FOUNTAIN-FT. CARSON SCHOOL DISTRICT

August, 2003 to Spring, 2004

- Curriculum design for comprehensive elementary art education program for 650 students/week, aligned with Colorado State standards for arts education.

TEACHING ARTIST

FUTURE SELF WORKSHOPS FOR YOUTH

2000 - 20009

- Taught workshops in printmaking, papermaking, book arts, encaustic painting, soft sculpture and collage for hundreds of middle and high school aged youth, working with Pikes Peak region based nonprofit organization.

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