

Electra Michael Pelias (b. 2002, U.S.)

Lives and works in Washington, DC. Originally from New Orleans, LA.

Education

2026 (expected)

MFA, Studio Arts

George Washington University, Washington, DC

2024

BS, Psychology

Loyola University New Orleans, New Orleans, LA

2024

Ceramics Coursework

Tulane University, New Orleans, LA

Solo Exhibitions

2026 *Soft Targets*, Corcoran School of the Arts & Design, Washington, DC

Selected Group Exhibitions

2026 *A Distinct Terroir*, Transformer Gallery, Washington, DC

2026 *Dovetail*, 52 O Street Studios, Washington, DC

2025 *Imparted Gifts*, Corcoran School of the Arts & Design, Washington, DC

2025 *On Display: A 21st Century Salon de Refusés*, Tulane University, New Orleans, LA

2025 *Magnolia Ball*, Ogden Museum of Southern Art, New Orleans, LA

2025 *WallMountables*, DC Arts Center, Washington, DC

2025 *Out of Our Heads*, Corcoran School of the Arts & Design, Washington, DC

2025 *Clay: A Southern Census*, The Clay Center, New Orleans, LA

2025 *In the Making: A Spectrum of Student Creativity*, Studio Gallery, Washington, DC

2025 *January Open Exhibit*, The Art League, Alexandria, VA

2024-25 *First Year MFA Show*, Corcoran School of the Arts & Design, Washington, DC

2024 *Degas House Art Festival*, Degas House, New Orleans, LA

2024 *Clusterfunk*, Loyola University New Orleans, New Orleans, LA

2023 *Crescent City Clay Fest*, Selected Artist, New Orleans, LA

2023 *Undergraduate Juried Exhibition*, Tulane University, New Orleans, LA

2023 *NON-REPRESENTATIONAL & UNREAL*, Gallery 4%, Online

Commissions & Presentations

2025 Visionary Leaders Circle Print Commission, Transformer, Washington, DC

2025 “Lydia at Prom: Matisse, Pattern, and the Art of Showing Up,” National Gallery of Art, Washington, DC

Awards

- 2024 Dr. Gerald S. Clack Community Engagement Award, Loyola University New Orleans
- 2024 Janet Mary Riley Award for the Advancement of Women's Issues, Loyola University New Orleans
- 2020–24 Dean's List, Loyola University New Orleans

Publications

- 2025 "Issue 54" *Phoebe*, Issue 54, Volume 2, George Mason University
- 2024 "Campus Changemakers: Students Innovate and Create with the Earth in Mind," *The Wolf*, Loyola University New Orleans
- 2023 "Loyola Artist Creates Sustainable Art for Community," *The Maroon*, Loyola University New Orleans
- 2022 "Emerging Student Artists: Loyola Creatives Find Community on Campus," *The Maroon*, Loyola University New Orleans

Professional Experience

- 2026–Present Exhibitions and Programs Intern, Transformer Gallery, Washington, DC
- 2025 Student Museum Assistant, Corcoran School of the Arts & Design, Washington, DC
- 2025 Retail Assistant and Graphic Designer, Relume Co, Washington, DC
- 2020–Present Small Business Owner, Electra Makes

Teaching Experience

- 2026 Workshop Instructor, Transformer Gallery, Washington, DC
- 2025 Workshop Instructor, Relume Co, Washington, DC
- 2024 Ceramic Arts Teacher, Country Day Creative Arts, Metairie, LA
- 2023–2024 Tutor, Loyola University New Orleans, New Orleans, LA
- 2016–2023 Summer Art Teacher Assistant, Country Day Creative Arts, Metairie, LA

Residencies

- 2025 Artist-in-Residence, Relume Co, Washington, DC