

JULIE ACOSTA

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

As a recent graduate from U.C. Santa Cruz with a Bachelor of Arts in Art, I present myself as a seasoned professional artist, equipped with strong concept development skills. With a keen eye for detail, I excel in collaborative environments that foster change and innovation. My experience spans all areas of studio arts, complemented by proficiency in Photoshop and Illustrator. Driven by goals, creativity, and a commitment to teamwork, I am prepared to deliver exceptional results.

SKILLS

- Exceptionally Creative
- Collaborative Team Player
- Highly Efficient
- Receptive to Feedback
- Microsoft Word
- Microsoft Excel
- Adobe After Effects
- Adobe Illustrator
- Adobe Photoshop
- Microsoft PowerPoint
- Web Design
- Planning and execution
- Human resources administration
- Strategic planning
- Business management
- Social media promotion
- Financial management
- Branding expertise

EDUCATION

University of California
Santa Cruz • 06/2025

Bachelor of Arts: Art
• GPA: 3.9 Cum Laude

Evergreen Valley College
San Jose • 01/2023

Associate of Arts: Studio Arts

WEBSITES, PORTFOLIOS, PROFILES

- www.JulieAcosta.org
- www.linkedin.com/in/julie-acosta-aba45261

WORK HISTORY

Color Me Gorgeous - Salon Owner
San Jose, CA • 01/2016 - Current

- Attract and retain clientele by staying abreast of the latest beauty industry trends and prioritizing client comfort and satisfaction.
- Manage client accounts and maintain accurate records.
- Oversee the ordering and maintenance of salon materials, equipment, and supplies.
- Ensure compliance with state health, safety, and hygiene standards through diligent operational monitoring.

Studio Sprout - Art Studio Intern
Santa Cruz, CA • 01/2025 - 03/2025

- Assisted in preparing materials and supporting children during art classes.
- Supervised students to ensure safety and promote a positive learning environment.
- Organized and maintained the studio, including cleaning tools and restocking supplies.
- Aided in planning and setting up creative projects and studio events.
- Fostered creativity by encouraging self-expression and celebrating students' achievements.

EXHIBITIONS/PROJECTS

- 2008 Juried Student Art Show, Evergreen Valley College
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- 2010 Photography showcase at Vinyl Room, Burlingame, Ca.
- 2013 Eufora Global Stylist of the Year awards
- 2014 Eufora Global Stylist of the Year awards
- 2022 Juried Student Art Show, Evergreen Valley College

- Associate of Arts for Transfer (AA-T)
- GPA: Cum Laude

Evergreen Valley College
San Jose • 01/2023

Associate of Science: Art and Design with Design Emphasis
GPA: Cum Laude

California Cosmetology College
Santa Clara • 01/1998

Cosmetology Certificate

- 2023 Juried Student Art Show, Evergreen Valley College
- 2024 Spring Quarter Open Studios, UC Santa Cruz
- 2024 Fall Quarter Open Studios, UC Santa Cruz
- 2024 Book Publication, XIUTLA
- 2025 Spring Quarter Open Studios UC Santa Cruz

AWARDS

- 2008: Best Photography, Evergreen Valley College Student Show
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- 2013: Best Makeup Artist, Eufora Stylist of the Year Awards
- 2014: Runner-Up, Team Collaboration, Eufora Stylist of the Year Awards
- 2023: Outstanding Achievement, Evergreen Valley College Student Show
- 2025: Eduardo Carrillo Scholarship

AFFILIATIONS

- HonorSociety.org
- Tau Sigma Honor Society

ADDITIONAL SKILLS

- Photography
- Three-Dimensional Design
- Color Principles and Color Theory
- Painting and Drawing
- Canva
- Figma
- UX Design