

# Naomi Even-Aberle

*Artist ● Community-Builder ● Curator*

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## *Education*

### **University of Pennsylvania School of Social Policy and Practice**

Philadelphia, PA USA

Graduate Certificate: Executive Program in Arts & Cultural Strategies:  
August 2020

### **Vermont College of Fine Arts**

Montpelier, VT USA

MFA in Visual Arts: February 2019

### **Northern State University**

Aberdeen, SD USA

B.A. in Fine Arts: May 2010

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## *Experience*

### **Founder & Executive Director**

Full Circle Martial Arts Academy

Rapid City, SD USA

2012-Present

Oversees the organizational budget, strategic planning, employee development, fundraising, marketing, and programmatic planning.

### **Operations Manager**

Lifeways, Inc.

Rapid City, SD USA

2020 - Present

Oversees organizational bookkeeping, budgeting, grants and fundraising initiatives, marketing, and operational systems for inhouse staff and remote workers.

### **Teaching Artist**

Community Education of the Black Hills

Rapid City, SD USA

2016-Present

Designs and leads professional-level community visual and performing arts classes for the Black Hills region.

**Adjunct Arts & Humanities Instructor**

Black Hills State University

Rapid City, SD USA

2016 – 2018

Developing and managing the class syllabus and ensuring that the syllabus meets department and college standards. Planning and creating lectures, in-class discussions, and assignments while collaborating with community programs, institutions and colleagues.

**Teaching Artist Program (TAP) Coordinator**

Rapid City Arts Council & Sculpture Project: Passage of Wind and Water

Rapid City, SD USA

2012-2016

Researched, developed and implemented a new school-based teaching artists' residency program. Manages training, scheduling, budgets, fundraising and development for program success.

**Arts Education Director**

Rapid City Arts Council

Rapid City, SD USA

2012-2016

Develop arts programming and events around community needs. Provide guidance for preschool, youth, teen, and adult classes, gallery shows, arts festivals, and special events. Worked on community initiatives through artist engagement and program development.

**South Dakota Youth Arts Month Chair**

South Dakota Art Education Association

Rapid City, SD USA

2014-2016

Promote, develop and advocate for Youth Art Month and to emphasize the value of art education for all children and to encourage support for quality school art programs.

**Dr. Sketchy's Anti-Art School Rapid City Branch Coordinator**

Rapid City Arts Council

Rapid City, SD USA

2013-2014

Oversaw and promote a new Dr. Sketchy's branch from conceptualization, implementation, and management.

**Cultural Arts Center Assistant**

Aberdeen Recreation & Cultural Center

Aberdeen, SD USA

2007 – 2011

Assist in producing and coordinating a variety of events at the Cultural Center including, summer arts festivals, special events, youth classes, and art gallery shows.

**Program Coordinator**

Ortonville Taekwondo Academy

Ortonville, MN USA

2007-2012

Oversaw the planning and implementation of multiple projects for the gym. Projects range from marketing, fundraising, sales, daily instruction, and budget analysis.

**Program Coordinator**

Strongheart Martial Arts Academy

Aberdeen, SD USA

2006 – 2012

Plans, implements, and evaluates instructional martial arts programs that are appropriate for age levels and the population of students taught.

**Art Gallery Assistant**

Northern State University Galleries

Aberdeen, SD USA

2008 – 2010

Installed, arranged, assembled, and prepared artifacts for exhibition, while coordinated exhibit installations, assisted with design, and prepared artifacts for storage and shipping.

**Media Services Assistant**

Northern State University Media Services

Aberdeen, SD USA

2006-2008

Set up and operated audio and video equipment for concerts, sports events, meetings, conventions, presentations, and news conferences.

**Executive Assistant**

Benjamin Victor Studios  
Northern State University  
Aberdeen, SD USA  
2005-2006

Provide high-level administrative support by preparing statistical reports, handling information requests, and performing clerical functions.

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## *Engagement*

**Cordial Eye Gallery: Residency in Joy**

Visual Art Residency, 2020

**Cel de Nord Artist Residency**

Visual Art Residency, 2020

**Community Built Association Advisory Member**

2020

**Artists Against Fascism**

Collective Art Practice, 2018-Present

**Student Representative**

Vermont College of Fine Arts, 2018-2019

**South Dakota Change Network Fellowship**

Rapid City, SD 2018-2019

**National Art Strategies Creative Community Fellowship**

Rapid City, SD 2017-2018

**OTA Trailblazer Micro-grant Program**

Rapid City, SD 2016

**National Guild for Community Arts Education Conference**

Los Angeles, CA 2014

**Emerging Visual Artists Committee**

EVAC Committee Chair, Rapid City Arts Council

Rapid City, SD USA

2012-2016

Directed and supervised meetings, exhibition schedules, visual art mentors, marketing, budget and participating emerging artists.

**USD & Sanford Medical Arts Immersion Course**

Program Developer & Guest Presenter

Rapid City, SD USA

2014-2016

Researched, developed and implemented a new collegiate level arts immersion course as a supplement to schedule second-year medical students training and courses.

**Dacotah Prairie Museum Internship**

Dacotah Prairie Museum

Aberdeen, SD USA

2009

**Summer Art Camp Programmer**

Discovery Program

Aberdeen, Recreation & Cultural Center

Aberdeen, SD USA

2011, 2010, 2009

**Database Development and Implementation**

Northern Galleries

Northern State University

Aberdeen, SD USA

2009-2010

Developed and implemented a database system for permanent collection storage and cataloging.

**South Korea Cultural Exchange**

Pukyong National University

Busan, South Korea

Summer 2009

**Exhibit Planning & Installation Intern**

National Steinbeck Center

Salinas, CA USA

2007-2008

**Supplementary Instructor**

Northern State University

Aberdeen, SD USA

2005-2006

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## *Exhibitions*

**Residency in Joy**

Cordial Eye Gallery: Barnstable, MA

2020

**Haus-A-Rest Zine**

Online Publication

2020

**The Gathering Zine**

The Royal College of Art & Design Museum

United Kingdom

2020

**The Rural Slop**

United Kingdom

2020

**Nasty Women #teamFemke**

Amsterdam, Netherlands

2019

**On R Way Productions Participant**

Digital & Social Performance | Jay & Stella

<http://www.onrway.net/>

2019

**(Un)Told Stories**

John A. Day Gallery | University of South Dakota

Vermillion, SD USA

2019

**Loosen Art - Bodies in Movement**

Millepiani Viani, Odero

Rome, Italy, 2019

**Loosen Art - Surfaces**

Millepiani Viani, Odero  
Rome, Italy, 2018

**National Juried Competition: Works On Paper**

Long Beach Island Foundation of the Arts & Sciences  
Loveladies, NJ USA  
2018

**MFA Now 'Current Collapse'**

Ruddell Gallery | Black Hills State University  
Spearfish, SD USA  
2017

**VCFA Winter/Spring MFA Exhibit**

ARC Gallery | Vermont College of Fine Arts  
Montpelier, VT USA  
2016, 2017

**Unwrapped**

Rapid City Arts Council  
Rapid City, SD USA  
2016, 2017

**Nasty Women**

Knockdown Center | Maspeth, New York USA  
2016

**Adventures in Wellness**

Rapid City Public Library  
Rapid City, SD USA  
2016

**That's How We Roll**

Rapid City Arts Council  
Rapid City, SD USA  
2013, 2014, 2015, 2016

**Art Legacy Project**

Suzie Cappa Art Center  
Rapid City, SD USA  
2015



**Patterns of Identities**

Common Grounds Gallery: Curated by Lisa Howard  
Spearfish, SD USA  
2014

**Arts Night**

Washington Pavilion Galleries  
Sioux Falls, SD USA  
2013

**Project Wall at NAP**

New Arts Program Gallery  
Kutztown, PA USA  
2013

**Visual AIDS; Postcards from the Edge**

Luhring Augustine Gallery  
New York, NY USA  
2013

**Curiosities, the Exhibition**

Bruce H. Lien Cultural Café & Gallery  
Curated by Emerging Visual Artist Committee  
Rapid City, SD USA  
2013

**Works on Paper**

University Center-Rapid City Art Gallery: Curated by Dustin Hinson  
Rapid City, SD USA  
2013

**NSU Alumni Show**

Lincoln Gallery: Curated by Greg Blair  
Aberdeen, SD USA  
2013

**Collaborative Sculpture: Hidden Knowledge**

Joe Davis: South Dakota School of Mines & Technology  
Curated by Deborah Mitchell  
Rapid City, SD USA  
2013

**Our Story: Community Sculpture**

Dahl Arts Center: Curated by Naomi Even-Aberle  
Rapid City, SD USA  
2013

**What is Art?**

Bruce H. Lien Cultural Café & Gallery: Curated by Shawn Wilson  
The Dahl Arts Center  
Rapid City, SD USA  
2013

**The Goods**

Shaver Gallery: Curated by Denise DuBroy  
The Dahl Arts Center  
Rapid City, SD USA  
2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017

**Young Dakota Artists**

Isaac Lincoln Gallery: Curated by Greg Blair  
Northern State University  
Aberdeen, SD USA 57401  
North Dakota Art Museum  
Fargo, ND USA  
2012

**His & Hers**

ARCC Gallery: Curated by Lois Beckner and Naomi Even-Aberle  
Aberdeen Recreation and Cultural Center  
Aberdeen, SD USA  
2011

**Recycled Rainbow Installation**

Featured at the Abby Awards  
Aberdeen, SD USA  
2011

**ARCC Sculpture Show**

The ARCC Gallery: Curated by Lois Beckner, Naomi Even-Aberle  
Aberdeen Recreation and Cultural Center  
Aberdeen, SD USA  
2011

**Winterfest Gallery Show**

The ARCC Gallery: Curated by Lois Beckner  
Aberdeen Recreation and Cultural Center  
Aberdeen, SD USA  
2009, 2010, 2011

**Collective Perspectives**

Wein Gallery: Curated by Brad Tennant  
Presentation College  
Aberdeen, SD 2010

**Collaborative Sculpture “Withdrawn”**

Jonathan Whitfill: Curated by Greg Blair and Jonathan Whitfill  
Northern State University  
Aberdeen, SD USA  
2010

**Emerging Artists**

Brookings Arts Council: Curated by Susan Brugger  
Brookings, SD USA  
2008

**Big Read: Fahrenheit 451**

National Steinbeck Center: Curated by Deborah Silguero-Stahl  
Salinas, CA USA  
2007

**Sophomore Student Exhibition**

Dacotah Hall Gallery: Curated by Dr. William Hoar  
Northern State University  
Aberdeen, SD USA  
2007

**All Student Art Show**

Student Center Gallery: Curated by Dr. William Hoar  
Northern State University  
2007

**Cardboard Sculpture Show**

Dacotah Hall Gallery: Curated by Mat Kargol  
Northern State University  
Aberdeen, SD USA  
2006

**Box Sculpture Exhibit**

Campus-wide display: Curated by Mat Kargol  
Northern State University  
Aberdeen, SD USA  
2006

**SD School for the Blind and Visually Impaired Exhibit**

SDSBVI Campus: Curated by Mark McGinnis  
Aberdeen, SD USA  
2006

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*Curated***The Kitchen Sink Project**

Rapid City, SD - 2019-2020 Project Launch

**That's How We Roll 3**

John T. Vuchervich Event Center, Dahl Arts Center  
Rapid City, SD USA 2014, 2015

**Who Are The People In Your Neighborhood Exhibition**

Art Start Studio, Dahl Arts Center  
Rapid City, SD USA  
2014

**Curiosities the Exhibition**

Bruce H. Lien Cultural Café & Gallery, Dahl Arts Center  
Rapid City, SD USA  
2013

**Holiday Card Contest**

Art Start Studio, Dahl Arts Center  
Rapid City, SD USA  
2012, 2013, 2014, 2015

**Mini Masters: Preschool Art Show**

Art Start Studio, Dahl Arts Center  
Rapid City, SD USA  
2013, 2014, 2015

**Middle School Art Show**

Dahl Arts Center Galleries  
Rapid City, SD USA  
2013, 2014, 2015

**Girls Inc. Recycled Treasures**

Art Start Studio  
Dahl Arts Center  
Rapid City, SD USA  
2012

**Central High School 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

Curated, researched and developed this retrospective look at the history of the Central High School  
The ARCC Gallery  
Aberdeen Recreation and Cultural Center  
Aberdeen, SD USA  
2012

**Jim Johnson: The Way Finder**

The ARCC Gallery  
Aberdeen Recreation and Cultural Center  
Aberdeen, SD USA  
2011

**ARCC Sculpture Show**

The ARCC Gallery  
Aberdeen Recreation and Cultural Center  
Aberdeen, SD USA  
2011

**Salon des Perdus et Oubliés**

Student Center Gallery  
Northern Galleries  
Aberdeen, SD USA  
2010

**Vivid Compulsions**

Faculty Gallery  
Northern State University  
Aberdeen, SD USA  
2010

**China's Connections with the World**

Dacotah Hall Gallery  
Northern State University  
Aberdeen, SD USA  
2009

**Collective Perspectives**

Lamont Gallery  
Dacotah Prairie Museum  
Aberdeen, SD USA  
2009

**Behind the Scenes & On the Screen**

Dacotah Prairie Museum  
Aberdeen, SD USA  
2009

**A Look at History**

Dacotah Prairie Museum  
Aberdeen, SD USA  
2009

**Big Read Fahrenheit 451**

National Steinbeck Center  
Salinas, CA USA  
2008

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## *Participation*

### **Arts Education Institute Presenter**

Topic: Mark Making with the Body - Movement Based Drawing  
2020

### **TedEx Rapid City Presenter**

Topic: Redefining Martial Arts  
2020

### **Cel del Nord Virtual Artist Residency**

2020

### **South Dakota Arts Conference Presenter**

Topic: Learning Full Circle: A Collaborative Approach to Wellness  
Rapid City, SD USA  
2020

### **Community Built Association Conference Presenter**

Topic: Learning Full Circle: A Community Approach to Healing  
San Francisco, CA 2020

### **A5 Magazine Feature: January Portfolio #34**

United Kingdom, 2020

### **Arts South Dakota - 2020 Art Conference Coordinator**

Rapid City, SD USA  
2020

### **Publication: *Misogyny, Media, and the Clash of Cultures* by Rebecca Beamer**

Chapter Reference: *The Artist, the Exhibitors and the #metoo movement*  
2019

### **South Dakota Arts Education Conference**

Presenter: Learning Full Circle  
2018

### **Art Alley Guild**

Active Guild Artist & Member  
Rapid City, SD USA  
2014- 2017

**Guest Presenter: Art for All**

YMCA Rapid City: Staff Training  
Rapid City, SD USA  
2014

**Self-Defense Workshop**

Rural America Initiatives  
Rapid City, SD USA  
2014

**Guest Presenter: Community Collaborations**

South Dakota Arts Conference  
Pierre, SD USA  
2013

**Rapid City Arts Council Exhibits Committee**

Exhibits Committee Member  
Rapid City, SD USA  
2014- 2016

**Featured Gallery Artist**

Shaviq Studio & Galleries  
Rapid City, SD USA  
2013

**The Sculpture Project Education Advocacy Committee**

Sculpture Project: Passage of Wind and Water  
Rapid City, SD USA  
2012-Present

**Healing Arts Program Committee**

Regional Health | Cancer Care Institute  
Rapid City, SD USA  
2014-Present

**Self Defense Instructor**

Strongheart Martial Art Academy | Full Circle Martial Arts Academy  
South Dakota | Minnesota Area  
2007 – Present



**Volunteer Graphic Design and Marketing Assistant**

Ortonville Taekwondo

Ortonville, MN USA

2009-2012

Developed and implemented the marketing strategy for the business, while creating letterheads, logos, brochures, and managed online marketing campaigns.

**Volunteer Photographer**

ARCC Dance Recital

Aberdeen Recreation and Cultural Center

Aberdeen, SD USA

2009

Photographed and documented dance recital for marketing within the Arts and Cultural Center.

**Presenter**

History of World Art III

Northern State University

"Mayan Hieroglyphs and its Relations to Art"

Aberdeen, SD USA

2008

**Elementary School Tutor**

May Overby School System

Aberdeen, SD USA

2007

Assisted children preschool through fifth grade in developing, reading, writing and other literacy-based skill in cooperation with teaching staff.

**ESL Reading Tutor**

Northern State University

Aberdeen, SD USA

2007

Planned and implemented one-on-one and small group tutoring session for ESL students that focused on improving skills in speaking, reading, writing and understanding English.

**Martial Arts Certification**

Kukkiwon Certified 4th Dan Master Black Belt in Taekwondo

Cchung Ryong Certified 4th Dan Master Black Belt in Hapkido

Certified 1st Dan Kumdo/Kumbup Practitioner