

Abigail Short

Visual Artist

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Education

University of South Carolina Honors College, Columbia, SC August 2023 - Present

- Interdisciplinary Studies Automated Sequential Design Major

Charleston County School of the Arts High School with Honors, Charleston, SC August 2016 - June 2023

Work Experience

Graphic Designer, *Wordification Project*, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC August 2025 - Present

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Creative Director, *The Daily Gamecock*, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC December 2024 - Present

- Develop and maintain brand style guide across all media platforms, including creation of special design features.
- Lead the visuals team during production of the print newspaper, website, or social media to meet deadlines.
- Assist the editor-in-chief in planning constructive staff meetings that include guiding discussions and activities.

Graphic Designer, *Creative Services*, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC December 2024 - Present

- Assist in creating print and digital ads and graphics for all Garnet Media Group platforms and properties.
- Designing marketing publications, including helping the marketing director determine the design style.
- Proof assigned artwork for grammatical and/or typographical errors, color composition, and content.

Design Director, *The Daily Gamecock*, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC August 2024 - December 2024

- Coordinate the design of all visual elements for the email edition, website, special editions, or social media.
- Proficient use of Adobe Illustrator, Photoshop, InDesign, and Fresco to create multimedia visuals.
- Lead training and organization of new and full staff members through weekly meetings and individual instruction.

Intern, Halsey Institute of Art, Charleston, SC May 2024 - August 2024

- Developed traditional advertisements, comics, and social media content to promote the institution and exhibitions.
- Collaborated with staff to create fundraising and after-hours events for patrons.
- Welcomed incoming guests to the present exhibitions and answered their questions about the exhibitions.

Member, Artist Guild, Columbia, SC March 2024 - August 2024

- Planned future programs to raise funds for visual art students at the University of South Carolina.
- Composed the necessary supplies for promotional workshops and art festivals.

Studio Assistant, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC January 2024 - March 2024

- Assisted Painting Department Head Jordan Sheridan in preparing for upcoming exhibitions.
- Prepared materials such as cloth for Sheridan to weave into resolved works.

Cartoonist, *The Daily Gamecock*, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC September 2023 - Present

- Spearheaded a cartoon section in a word-saturated newspaper to engage more readers on campus.
- Brainstorm weekly comics to be published on *The Daily Gamecock* newspaper, website, and social media.

Freelance Artist, Charleston, SC June 2021 - Present

- Constantly originate original body of work in a range of mediums: oil painting, gouache, clay, etc.
- Fulfilling large commissioned projects such as illustrations, murals, portraits, or spontaneous opportunities.

Vendor, The Station, Charleston, SC November 2021 - Present

- Modify fine art into affordable/practical options such as stickers, prints, and magnets for a wide customer base.
- Generate a consistent social media presence to promote one's own work and the business.
- Manage customer checkout, answer phone calls, and open and close the store during register shifts.

Vendor, Partager, Columbia, SC October 2023 - May 2025

- Produce a finely crafted portfolio of work to sell to customers and collectors.
- Promote own work and Partager through a vital social media presence.

Social Media Manager, Charleston County School of the Arts, Charleston, SC August 2021 - June 2023

- Promoted student work on social media to raise funds for the visual arts department.

Art Instructor, Charleston, SC July 2022 - May 2023

- Inspired students and assisted in developing creativity and self-expression through various art forms and media.

Solo Exhibitions

Tiny Gallery – Featuring Abby Short, Jasper Project, Virtual, Columbia, SC August 2025

Group Exhibitions

Rooted, 2025 Artista Vista Exhibition, Richland Library, Columbia, SC April - May 2025

And How Do You Remember It?, Stormwater Studios, Columbia, SC March 2025

70th Annual Juried Student Exhibition, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC February - March 2025

PSYCHii Listening Party, Columbia, SC April 2024

South Carolina Honors College Art Student Exhibition, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC March - Oct 2024

69th Annual Juried Student Exhibition, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC January - February 2024

Fall Juried Exhibit, Limestone University, Gaffney, SC November 2023 - January 2024

Seeing Music, University of South Carolina, Beaufort, SC, March 2023

Mixed Media, Mixed Emotions, Redux Gallery, Charleston, SC January 2023

Healing Gallery, Medical University of South Carolina Permanent Collection, Charleston, SC 2021 - Present

Residencies

Stormwater Collaborative Residency September 2024 - March 2025

Awards

College Media Association Best Editorial Cartoon Division I Honorable Mention November 2024

College Media Association Best Editorial Cartoon Finalist November 2024

Associate Collegiate Press Best Cartoon of the Year Fifth Place November 2024

Golden Designer for *The Daily Gamecock* Spring 2024

Junior Duck Stamp entries auctioned at South Eastern Wildlife Expo under Ducks Unlimited 2024

69th Juried Student Exhibition Third Place Undergraduate Artwork 2024

SCPA Collegiate Contest First Place Winner in Open Division for Cartoon/Illustration 2023

Scholastic Art and Writing American Visions Nomination, National Silver Key, 4 Gold Keys, 11 Silver Keys 2023

Sanitation Truck Contest Design Winner, Goose Creek, SC 2023

Junior Duck Stamp Two-Time Best in Show Winner for South Carolina 2022 - 2023

Red Banner Contest Design Winner, Goose Creek, SC 2022

Coastal Carolina Fair 2 Judges Awards, Third Best in Show, 2 First Places 2021 - 2023

Scholarships and Academic Achievements

President's List and the Dean's List Fall 2023 - Present

Yaghjian Fund Scholarship 2024

David W. Robinson Scholarship 2023

Alumni Scholars Award 2023

Palmetto Fellows Award 2023

Valedictorian of the Class of 2023	2023
English Award for the Class of 2023	2023

Projects

Completed a 20' x 40' mural for the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Goose Creek, SC	2023
Illustrated poetry book <i>30 Poems in 30 Days</i> by Joshua Plummer	2022 - 2023
Completed an 8' x 8' logo mural for the Goose Creek Fire Station, Goose Creek, SC	2023
Completed an 8' x 5' mural for the Goose Creek Fire Station, Goose Creek, SC	2022
Illustrated children's book <i>Bentley's Adventure</i> by Claire Corvette	2021 - 2022

Additional Experience

Lab Intern , Medical University of South Carolina, Charleston, SC	June 2022 - August 2023
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- Coauthor for the manuscript Motor Activated Auricular Vagus Nerve Stimulation (MAAVNS) as a Potential Neuromodulation Approach for Post-Stroke Motor Rehabilitation: A Pilot Study (NNR-23-0048).
- Studied effects of trans auricular stimulation of the vagus nerve in stroke and psychiatric patients at Neuro-X Lab under Dr. Bashar Badran.

Candy Striper , Medical University of South Carolina, Charleston, SC	June 2021 - July 2021
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- Completed 123 hours of community service working to care for patients' needs while in hospice care.