### Mónica Mendoza-Cawthon

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Former legal and political professional and visual artist with over ten (10) years of related work experience, as well as portfolio of varied accomplishments including exhibitions, awards, speaking engagements and academic achievements. Possesses a strong sense of various skills, mediums, and desire to work with larger sociopolitical and environmental issues. Capable of communicating with clients regarding specifications for customized art pieces. For more information please check my portfolio at monicamc.wixsite.com/monilaartivista.

# **EDUCATION**

### Juris Doctorate (JD)

Seattle, WA

Seattle University School of Law December 2024

• Relevant Courses: Intellectual Property, Contracts, Business Law

#### Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Comparative History of Ideas

Seattle, WA

University of Washington December 2015

- Senior Thesis was a science fiction graphic novel written and illustrated by me
- Co-Taught a course on 'artivism' (art and activism)

#### Graduate of Teen Intensive Program/Classes

Seattle, WA

Gage Academy of Art 2009

• Completed courses in advanced classical painting and drawing

# PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

MMC Studios, LLC Owner/CEO Washington State 2008-Present

- Manage budget, inventory, marketing, distributor relationships, supplies, and Etsy shop
- Design, develop, and deliver art pieces and crafts to clients according to specifications, including large-scale murals
- Collaborate with other artists across disciplines to create art pieces and events
- Vend at various pop-up markets and other opportunities throughout the Puget Sound
- Teach classes and workshops on painting acrylic and oil paints up to an intermediary level

# **EXHIBITIONS**

- ACES: Artists of Color Expo & Symposium at KEXP, Seattle, WA, August 2024
- HIGH BLOOD by The CultureShock Collective, Tacoma, WA, November 2016
- Pop Up Mercado, Seattle, WA, December 2015
- Dia de los Muertos Exhibit, El Centro de la Raza in Seattle, November 2014
- Fiestas Patrias, Seattle Center, September 2014
- Renton Annual Art Show, Renton, WA, August 2014
- Gage Academy of Art Feature, Seattle Art Museum, August 2008

# TV APPEARANCES AND SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Kent For Districts Feature, Day With Trae (Converge Media), May 2024
- Artist Feature, Actitud Latina (Azteca America), February 2016

### **AWARDS**

• First Place, Seattle Human Rights Day Art Competition, December 2012