

# Baz Kanold

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## // Bio

Baz Kanold is a recent graduate of Bachelor of Fine Arts from University of Waterloo. Their work generally explores the fluidity of gender and is a celebration of the queer identity. While they consider themselves a mixed media artist, they focus on oil painting, conté and pencil on paper, embroidery, and digital art.

## // Exhibitions

2023 *Pride Art Show* | Three Sisters Centre  
St. Jacobs, Ontario

A yearly exhibition of queer artists in the Southern Ontario region, this show featured several artists in an intimate gallery and community centre.

2023 *Transgender Day of Awareness* | Kitchener Public Library  
Kitchener, Ontario

A solo exhibition of work surrounding the transgender day of awareness, accompanied by a short artist talk and discussion from other transgender individuals from around Kitchener-Waterloo.

2022 *Love Lab* | Art Gallery of Mississauga  
Mississauga, Ontario

Featuring a dozen different queer artists from across Southern Ontario, this residency and exhibition had an emphasis on digital art and new media.

2021 *Ignition 9* | Hamilton Artists Inc.  
Hamilton, Ontario

A yearly exhibition for emerging artists featuring: Jet Coghlan, Teba Faisal, Lupita Guerrero, Baz Kanold, Jill Letten, and David Nguyen.

2021 *Flux* | University of Waterloo Art Gallery  
Online

The exhibition for the graduating Fine Arts class from University of Waterloo, featuring twenty emerging artists.

2020 *FIERTÉ 360* | Gallea  
Montréal, Quebec & Online

An online exhibition curated by Gallea.com, featuring 30 LGBTQAI+ Canadian artists in celebration of Montreal Pride 2020.

2020 *12 pt.* | The Artery  
Waterloo, Ontario

A small showing of text-based works made by Fine Arts undergraduates at University of Waterloo.

## // Public Artworks

2021 *Alone, Together Mural*  
Uptown Waterloo

Since 2021, this mural is currently on show for the public on Willis Way in Uptown Waterloo. This showcase of several artists focussed on coming together during the pandemic in meaningful ways.

2021 *Waterloo Picnic Table Program*  
Various Locations in Waterloo

This yearly public art call allows artists working within Waterloo region to showcase their skills to the public by designing and painting a picnic table for the public to use.

## // Awards & Grants

2022 *Canada Art Council Grant*  
Research and Creation

Successfully completed a 6-month long photography project using funds from the Canada Art Council, which included exploring 3D photography using models.

2021 *Ignition Award for Distinction*

This award is presented yearly to emerging artists in their final year of Fine Arts undergrad after an application process. I was one of six artists selected from both McMaster and University of Waterloo. Presented by Hamilton Artists Inc.

2020 *Lynn Holmes Memorial Award*

This scholarship is presented yearly to a Fine Arts undergraduate with distinction who elects to do a fourth year in the program. Presented by University of Waterloo.

2019 *Jocelyn Cowan Prize for Painting*

A yearly award presented to a Fine Arts undergraduate for exceptional work in the field of painting. Presented by University of Waterloo.

## // Professional Experience

2022 - Present *Art Instructor*  
Button Factory

Designed curriculums for and taught dozens of art classes in varying materials, including embroidery, drawing, and oil painting for classes varying from 2-hour one-off sessions to 6-week sessions.

2011 - Present *Freelance Graphic Designer & Artist*  
Various Clients

Created everything from logos and promotional materials to commissioned illustrations and fine art pieces for various clients.

2013-2018 *Graphic Designer*  
PTC Inc., Montréal, Quebec

Tasked with the creation of many forms of graphic design assets from documents, website and print visuals, large-scale promotional materials, and advertisements.

## // Education

Bachelor of Fine Arts

*Intensive Studio Specialization with Distinction*

2021 University of Waterloo | Waterloo, Ontario

Diploma in Advertising

*with Honors*

2011 Sheridan College | Oakville, Ontario

## // Volunteerism

2020 *Artwork Drive for Donations* | Various Clients

Waterloo, Ontario

For the entire month of June I created a commissioned piece of artwork for any of my followers that donated to a Black or Indigenous charity of their choice.

2019 *Caesura Exhibition Volunteer* | University of Waterloo Art Gallery

Waterloo, Ontario

Helped in the setup and running of *Caesura* at University of Waterloo Art Gallery.

2013 *Graphic Designer* | Canadian Festival of Spoken Word

Montréal, Quebec

Created handouts, social media assets, and other documents for the Canadian Festival of Spoken Word (CSFW).

## // Technical Abilities

Proficient in Adobe Creative Suite

Knowledgeable in various artforms and materials (pencil, conte, collage, oil and acrylic paint, embroidery, knitting, digital art, and more.)