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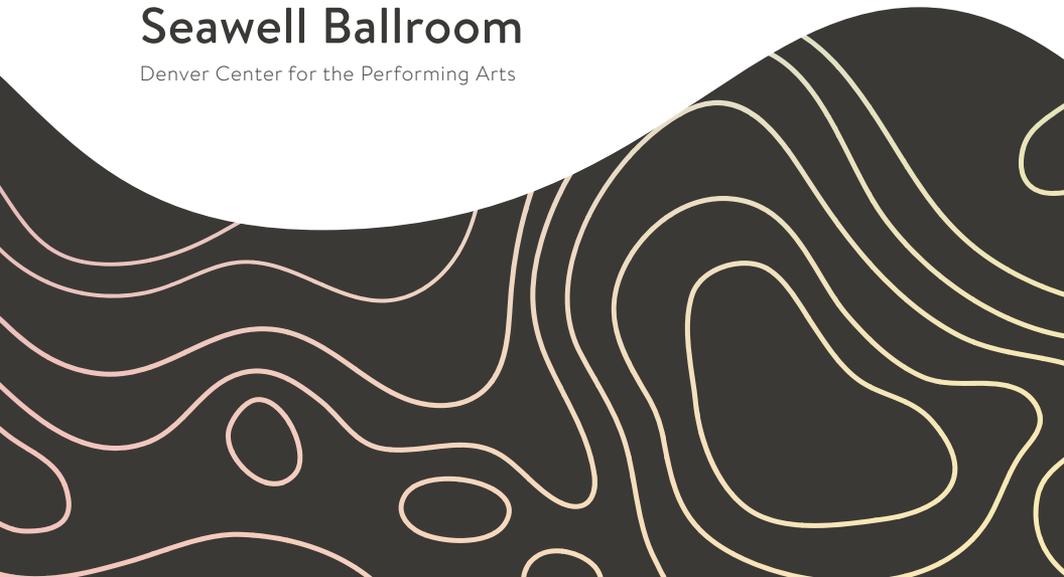
Commencement

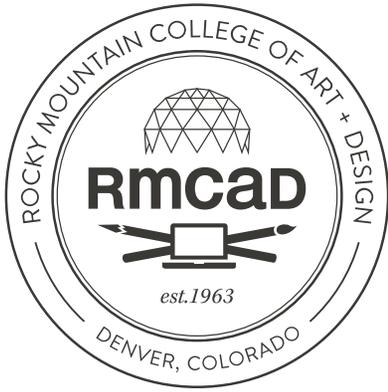
2025

Sunday, May 4, 2025

Seawell Ballroom

Denver Center for the Performing Arts





ROCKY MOUNTAIN COLLEGE OF ART + DESIGN

RMCAD is an innovative, rigorous, and community-oriented global learning environment that inspires passion for critical thinking and prepares learners to be forces of change in the creative industries, our communities, and the world.

In 1963, Philip J. Steele founded Rocky Mountain School of Art as a private institution in the foothills of Colorado. His mission was to make RMCAD a ‘community of creatives’ that would instill in all students a passion for creativity, innovation, and a desire for lifelong learning—both in the fine arts and applied arts. He sought to nurture the individual talents of each student, to integrate critical thinking and analysis into their skills, and to contribute in socially responsible ways to the local, global, and professional communities.

Today, we celebrate the graduates who continue this tradition.

COMMENCEMENT PROCEEDINGS

PROCESSIONAL + PRESIDENT’S WELCOME

Brent Fitch
President

OPENING REMARKS + INTRODUCTION OF VALEDICTORIAN

Dr. Amy Smith
Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs + Provost

VALEDICTORIAN ADDRESS

Visionaries Ceremony
CherJay Yang
Summa Cum Laude, Photography

Innovators Ceremony
Allison Hawes
Summa Cum Laude, Illustration / Children’s Book Illustration

PRESENTATION OF GRADUATES + AWARDING OF DIPLOMAS

Dr. Amy Smith
Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs + Provost
Jessica Taylor
Name Reader, Voiceover Artist
Phyl Park + Audrey McCann
American Sign Language Interpreter - Visionaries Ceremony
Naomi Delap + Savvy Jackson
American Sign Language Interpreter - Innovators Ceremony

CLOSING REMARKS + RECESSIONAL

Brent Fitch
President

CEREMONY DETAILS

THE VISIONARIES

CEREMONY 1 / 9:00 A.M.

Programs: ART EDUCATION
FINE ARTS
GRAPHIC DESIGN
ILLUSTRATIVE DESIGN
INTERIOR DESIGN
MUSIC PRODUCTION
PHOTOGRAPHY

THE INNOVATORS

CEREMONY 2 / 12:00 P.M.

Programs: 2D ANIMATION
3D ANIMATION
FASHION DESIGN
GAME ART
ILLUSTRATION

DEPARTMENT REPRESENTATIVES

PROGRAMS

ANIMATION

Michelle Kelley

ART EDUCATION

Dr. Jenny Gawronski

FASHION DESIGN

Stephanie Carlo

FINE ARTS

Jaime Carrejo

GAME ART

Brad Taylor

GRAPHIC DESIGN

Jillian Sinha

ILLUSTRATION

Katy Betz

ILLUSTRATIVE DESIGN

Jay Hollick

INTERIOR DESIGN

Adam Roland

MUSIC PRODUCTION

Dr. Sean Peuquet

PHOTOGRAPHY

Shawn Loseke

DEANS

DEAN OF ACADEMICS

Jessica Elliott

DEAN OF ART + DESIGN

Scott Wakefield

DEAN OF INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

Dr. Lucas Sheaffer

BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS CANDIDATES

ANIMATION

2D

Kaitlyn Altdoerffer *
Jose Ambriz **
Michael Ambuul ++
Asia M. Atkins
Lindsey Catherine Ball *
Danielle Brown
Mason Campeau **
Jayden Carrington
Heather David °
Chrissy Espinoza +
Bridgjae Evans **
Kayla Ford
Venice Garcia +
Joseph Tyler Garvida *
Olivia Gleaton
Sydni Goodwill
Avery Hall
Mkenzy Leigh Hammond ++
Kenneth Holcom
Oliver Johnson ++
Victoria Kalobius ++
Rudy Karath ++
Sydney Eleanor Keith °°
Talisen Rae King ++
Emilie Kolden **
Andrew Langston ++
Tristan Lechelt
Lauren Levi
Erin MacAllister
Shayla Macy °°
Valeria Manjarrez
Cierra Martin
Maxwell Niemann
Isabella Panozzo **
Dahlia-Rose Petty

Bepper Porter **
Stephen Proud °°
Rachel Rist °°
Chris Rowlette
Cheyenne Sanchez **
Ricky Quinn Scalise
Dominique Sconion +
Ashton Silvers ++
Miriam Carolyn Snipes
Kyle Sproul
Kevin Barnes Terbeek +
Alexia West
Chanthira Worathitsak ++

3D

Shannon Allen
Aiden Bailey ++
Tahlia Brown °°
Marily Calva
Hallie Cox **
Maddison Davis
Hannah Donaldson
Ashley Hegenbart *
Samantha Hodge °°
Divine Delphinia Jaramillo
Makenzie Knapp +
Bryanna Arcelía Knight
Lee
Monika Lee **
Kevin Lowry +
Lauren Manuel +
Savannah Miller ++
Austin Nelson **
Sarah Isabell Smith
Jakeya Ward
Bladen Williams ++
Mengyu Yu +
David Yuan

ART EDUCATION

ANIMATION

Abel Miller ++
Reese Mullen

FINE ARTS

Maria De Jesús Aguirre Anchondo °
Aria JoRay-Utt
Jennifer Kraus
Esperanza Lovato +
Phoebe Walter **

GRAPHIC DESIGN

Kaitlin Marcail Crowder *
Selma Sehic ++

ILLUSTRATION

Troye Aho *
Jessica Bailey ++
Emerson Conrad Muller
Alanna Hope Geist *
Valerie Nichols
Mark Phillips
Mae Rogers ++
James Scott Sage +

FASHION DESIGN

Katherine Barfuss
Patience Birt
Sereinity Blevins
Lisa Kimberly Brown ++
Lorena Capetillo
Elizabeth Cardozo

Dasha Chavez **
Sloane Crazybear ++
Eric Jenkins
David Kalonji
Cooper Laffins +
Rachel Lesollen
Kaitlin Lindsey °
Lauren Lofy
Keilani LoSavio
Ratha Mao
Maria Carla Marty ++
Logan McKinney
Gabrielle Miles
Ann Moorman +
Rachel Naylor
Perry Pointer *
Elisha Provencio +
Elle Reinhart
Miriam Sophia Rivera Osorio *
Brianna Simbenga ++
Jordan Trigg
Elisabeth Turner ++

FINE ARTS

Charla Ann Barnish +
Joseph Calderon
Oli R. Coyle +
Harper Hanson *
Abby Lynn
Xavier Marquez

GAME ART

Waylon Barr ++
Milly Barrientos *
Marina Boiko

BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS CANDIDATES

Kenneth Burkhart ◦◦
Mariah Busby
Jashua Cross
Zakeen Daniel
Corryn Dutkiewicz ++
Romeo Esparza
Michael Harden ++
Ella Heib ++
Emanuel Lanager ++
Jake MacGregor **
Zoe Marshall ◦
Gwynneth Miller
Clifton Mullen
Peyton Murdock
Kayla Murray ++
Zofia Nicole Paez ++
Madeline Pereyda ◦◦
Reagan Riley ++
Raelin Smokey
Andrew Stark
Jonathan Vallecillo +
Nicole Vreeland ++
Ellie Westemeyer
Josie Westemeyer
Clara White ++
Jordan Willis ◦◦

GRAPHIC DESIGN

Seraphine Adaline Allison
Brandi Bachman ++
Angelique Bean ++
Barbara Lin Blackmon +
Carlos Bustos ◦
Leslie Chavarria
Audra Creque
Rose Dang ++
Jarline Valeria Duran **

Sierra Flantroy +
Andrew Garcia
Chris Hattori
Lola Holmes ◦◦
Austin Lovelace
Lexi Luciano ++
Chelsea Marshall
Sasha Molina +
Imari Moore *
Cody Moreno ◦
Carlos Mosqueda +
Ariel Palma +
Erika Prince
Brianna Rivera ++
Amber Rogers +
Sarah Katharine Rudder **
Kyle Schwartz ++
Timothy Smith Yusef
Grace Stocker +
Ahniah Volkman *
Taylor Wolfe-Parks **
Kayla Wolfe +

ILLUSTRATION

Shalyn Atkinson ◦◦
Jordan Austin *
Monica Natasya Putri Berg *
Kamarin Crawford
Tatiana Leilani Crenshaw *
Amaya Del Rio +
Jay Dingman ++
Gavin Eriksen
Erykah Victoria Espinoza ++
Annah Freeman +
Lauren Garrette
Aspen Hill ◦◦
Katherine Kapsner ++

Miranda Kelsey
Corvid Lawrence ++
Isabella MacKenzie *
Makayla Malin
Mary McGee
Kaylene McGowen
Roxana Michel ◦◦
Sequoia Monhollen
Darryl Murphy
Reanne Neuffer ◦◦
Matthew Osborn
Joseph Pederson ++
Annabella Schiavone
Kaya Shearer
Evangeline Shvets ++
Zoe Lelah Smith
Madison Tilcock
Azul Vanegas Lara ◦◦

CHILDREN'S BOOK

Madeleine Duffy +
Connie Fries *
Amara Gardner ++
Allison Hawes ++
Rebecca Jean Henkle
Laura Martinez-Parker +
Alicia Sekiller

CONCEPT ART

Julia Almstedt
Devin Bell
Aaron Brewer
Everett Brody *
Jackson Byrne **
Leah Carter **

Nas Clark
Saturn Costarella ◦
Alexa Cotto
Payton Coxsey **
Kathan Dorriety +
Markiey Fantonial ++
Elba Gutierrez-Preciado **
Aria Marie Hernandez ++
Ashelyn Howard ++
Chloe Johnson +
Madeleine Jones +
Hannah Lee **
Erica Mergens ++
Taylor Maria Mullins ++
Haley Nang ++
Ciarra Nelson
Tashiara Saraca Payne +
Kaitlyne Romero
lyleeh Rose
Jordan Smith
Bradie Strang
Tyler Thomas
Bailey Thompson
John Tucker
Fianna Weber
Trinity Wilson ++

SEQUENTIAL ART

Sol City
Hunter Dozier
Veronica Gonzalez Franqui ++
Jack Marshal Hughins **
Sarah Lutsey **
Sierra McKinley **
Nicole Resendiz ++
Jake Roades +

BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS CANDIDATES

ILLUSTRATIVE DESIGN

Nadia Alkabra *
Leia Asp ++
Angel Bautista ◦◦
Walker Florey
Cameron Fushimi ◦
Zuzu Gaut **
Dannea Jacinta Gee
Chloe Giessing **
Emily Mickelson Vuyk +
Rachel Caroline Mitchell +
Roxanna Mohseni +
Sarah Pauly ++
Lauren Phillips
Kyndal Rogers-Nex
Alyssa Smith +
Katherine Smith +

INTERIOR DESIGN

Bergen Baucom **
Diana Bezpaly ++
Kaelin Brown
Madison Bryn Corbett
Valynn Abigale Corley ++
Latisha Jeanette Davis **
Alexandra Felings ++
Elizabeth Finke ++
Brittany Fowner
Alexandra Guba
Ayah Hasan
Michelle Jasper +
Jennifer Jermyrn *
Bety Lari ++
Brock Mattacchione +
Wendy Mendieta **
Lynsie Messmer +
Leianet Michel

Vuong Nguyen +
Olivia Novak
Valentina Puerta
Amber Riley +
Erin Elizabeth Roberts
Cailin Robinson
Tania Sanchez
Kaitlyn Smith
Karlie Taylor ++
Lucy Renae Testerman *

SUSTAINABLE DESIGN

Juan Álvarez
Jennifer Amstutz Wheeland +
Madison Appert ++
Madison Arndt ++
Arianna Ashe
Michelle Auerbach
Amanda Iracema Beltran Rodriguez ++
Christine Bentley *
Lauren Brennan **
Isabelle Brousseau ++
Quinn Bruck **
Laura Capasso +
Rebecca Chaviano *
Cassiel Cifone ++
Emma Colwyn
Beatrice Cook
Samantha Cooper
Solé Denton ++
Marin Dugger **
Lindsay Dunn +
Alexandra Ellis **
Emma Ellis ++
Cynthia Penelope Figueroa Palacios ++
Sadie Finch ++
Silvana Gadea +
Anna Marie Gaiser

Hannah Winfrey Glebe +
Taylor Good
Sarah Hale
Callista Hammond ++
Brianna Marie Hampton
Micki Hancock ++
Anna Kristina Hedelund
Elizabeth Herod
Megan Hopper *
Ashley Huebner
Sierra Huntsman +
Ashley Hutchison
Tinisha Joseph
Erin Kelly ++
Eric Kolander
Carrie Krueger ++
Kaitlyn Lacasse +
Victoria Lundy +
Zoeya Mahmood
Shulamit Mark +
Joanne McNary ++
Taryn Minter
Sarah Mohnkern **
Monica Mulroy ++
Gwen Noel
Elizabeth Oliva ++
Jenna Ordway
Katrina Polakowski ◦◦
Brenda Rivera +
Christa Roy ++
Luna Saker
Michaela Sanchez-Benson
Russell Saylor
Meghan Scollard
Marsha Shonka **
Anita Rose Sindoni +
Hannah Smitherman

Sylvia Sternwald-Doulik ++
Ariana Stolte ◦◦
Erin Sundrud ++
Tiffany Sutta **
Sage Szeitz ◦◦
Erin Topel **
Sarah Walter
Quincey Worthington *
Kim Antionette Boyd Wright
Olivia Zietlow +

MUSIC PRODUCTION

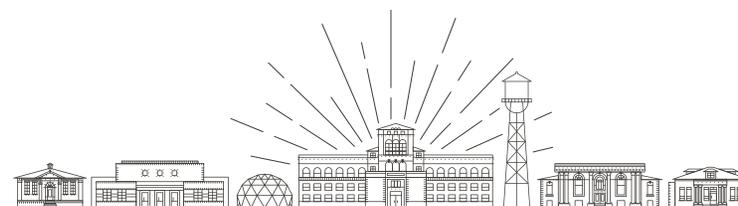
Garrett Drattlo
Eric Jones
Jasiel Moreira
Michael Munoz **
Qui-Ona Peterson ++

PHOTOGRAPHY

Alison Marie Arikol **
Misha McBride
Mad Montgomery +
Mia Itzel Munoz ◦◦
Aaron Perez +
Taylor Solberg +
Justin Sommer
Estefana M. Thiewes
CherJay Yang ++

THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

We're proud to welcome these graduates into the Rocky Mountain College of Art + Design Alumni Association, a life-long resource for professional development and community. Visit rmcad.edu/careerservices for more information.



FREE COURSES WITH RMCAD RENEW

Audit courses within your original degree program with no cost for tuition.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT / CAREER COACHING

One-on-one discussions, workshops, and resources for post-college professional life.

RMCAD EMAIL ADDRESS

RMCAD.edu email remains active as a source for alumni updates (*Alternative email may be given in graduation survey if desired*).

RMCAD STORE DISCOUNTS

5% off books and 10% off supplies at SPECTRUM and the bookstore website.

PASSPORT: THE ONLINE JOB BOARD

Employment and internship opportunities, specifically for RMCAD students and alumni.

ALUMNI PASS

Access to campus facilities, labs, printers, and more.

ALUMNI GALLERY

Opportunity to showcase work in our Alumni Gallery

THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING!

Please join us back at the RMCAD campus for the **Caps Off Celebration** from **12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.**

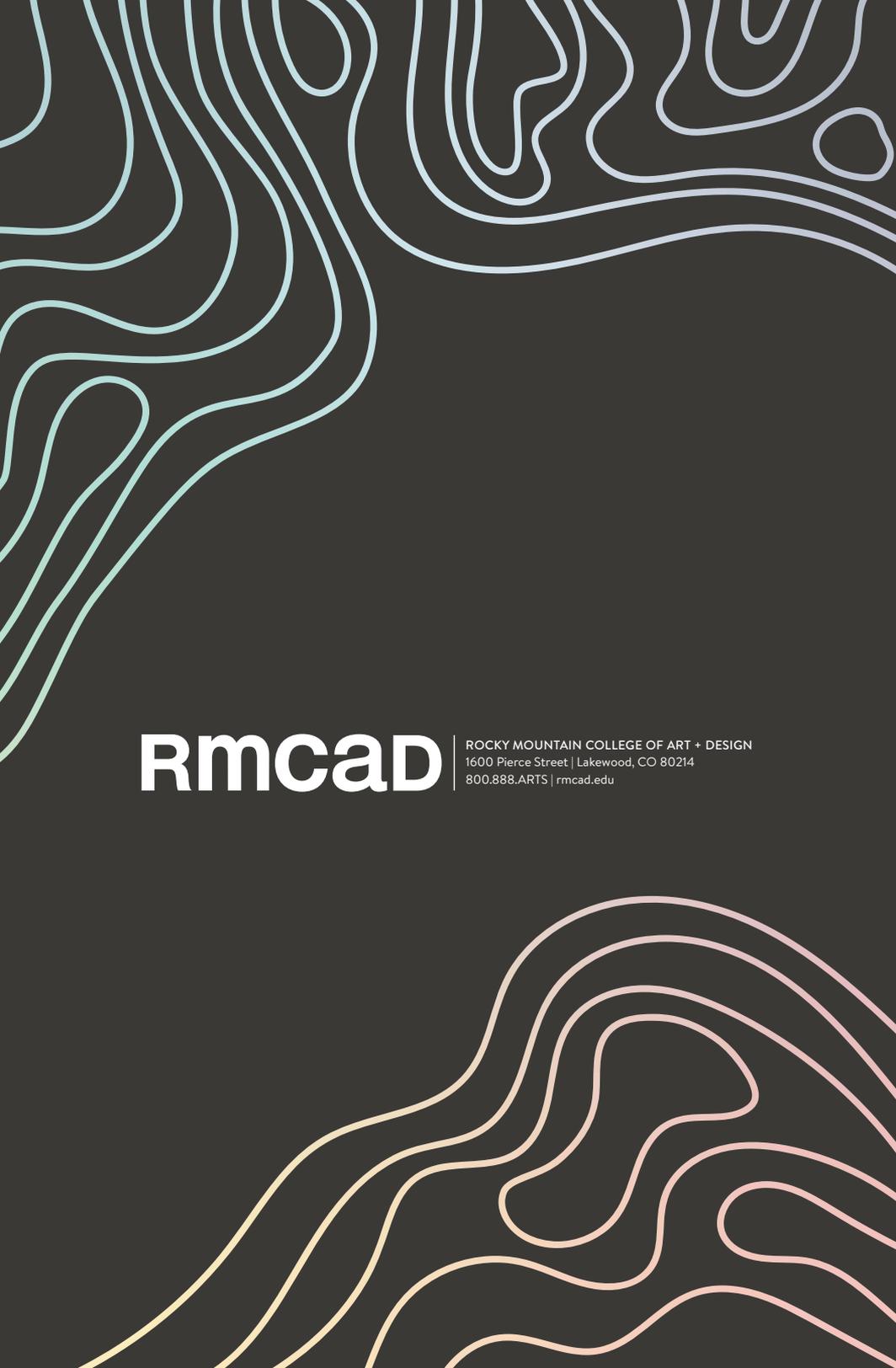
- ▶ Join a guided campus tour for grads and guests.
- ▶ Explore our state-of-the-art gallery exhibitions all across campus.
- ▶ Snap a picture with our scenic backdrops and stroll through our sculpture garden.
- ▶ Stop by the SPECTRUM store for a special Commencement Day Discount on RMCAD merch.
- ▶ Enjoy a complimentary BBQ meal and dessert on the quad (Vegetarian options available).
- ▶ Connect with RMCAD faculty and fellow graduates one last time.





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