Harold Ikechukwu Osondu EKPELIBE

Professional Artist, Curator, Counselor

Experienced and dedicated artist with painting, sculpture and graphics design skills. Establishing team work with good organizational ideas to maintain healthy coexistence between members to enhance success. Prioritizes quality, optimizes speed and good finishing for result orientation.

WORK HISTORY

Acting Curator, Fine Art Department, IMT, Enugu 2023 – Present

Part Time lecturer in the Fine Arts Department, Institute of Management and Technology, Enugu. August, 2007 – Present

Courses Taught: Still Life Painting, Mixed Media Painting, General Drawing, Mural Painting, Outdoor (Landscape) Painting, Pictorial Composition, Life (Figure/Portrait) Painting.

Creative Director of GOMJEC Productions Company October, 2017 – 2023

Providing concepts for renditions by the artists in the company and handling Art Studio productions and getting works ready for delivery and exhibitions. Experimenting with mediums and finding out new ways of handing them.

Volunteer Christian Worker of Upper Room Ministries – A nonprofit Pastoral Centre in the Catholic Diocese of Enugu. January, 1997 – Present

Involved in counseling of people with psychological, spiritual and societal problems. Carrying out care giving services. Resource person for marriage counseling and restoration of relationships. Traveling within Nigeria and Cameroun for youth seminars and Christian programs.

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Next of Kin:

Mrs. Harold-Ekpelibe Martina, Chinyere. (wife)

Skills

- *Painting renditions with different mediums.
- *Playing of musical instruments.
- *Creative skills.
- *Counseling skills.

Manager of Peace Productions Printing Press September, 2001 – June, 2011.

Managing the material and human resources of the printing press.

Part time Publication Director at Christian Living
Publications Ministry, Upper Room Ministries Enugu.

July, 1997 – November, 2012.

Directed the proof reading, editing, designing and printing of books authored by the Spiritual Director of Upper Room Ministries.

Studio Artist

January, 1995 – February, 1996

Industrial Training at Pearl Functions Limited Enugu.

Gathered wide knowledge of lithography and printing techniques.

Part Time Assistant Artist
September, 1993 – February, 1994.

At Tint & Shade Limited Enugu.

Part Time Illustrator / Graphic Designer November, 1992 – March, 1997.

At Fourth Dimension Publishing Company, Enugu.

EDUCATION

June, 1984 – West African Examinations Council / General Certificate of Education. (Ordinary Level.)

December, 1984 – West African Examinations Council / General Certificate of Education. (Ordinary Level.)

July, 1995 – Ordinary National Diploma (OND)

Institute of Management and Technology, Enugu State.

July, 1997 – Higher National Diploma (HND)

Institute of Management and Technology, Enugu State.

ART JURY

VILLAFFEST ART FESTIVAL (Owerri)

December, 2024.

A cultural art festival organised in Owerri, Imo State, that is dedicated to celebrating Africa's vibrant arts and stories while fostering creativity among young artists. Theme: "AFRICA, THE FUTURE I ENVISION".

LIFE IN MY CITY, ENUGU STATE ZONE

August, 2014

An art competition organized in Enugu for the growth and encouragement of visual art among young artists in Nigeria.

ART COMPETITION FOR PRIMARY / SECONDARY SCHOOLS *June, 2011*

An art competition and exhibition organized by Enugu State Ministry for Art and Culture in Enugu for to encouragement and harvest young talents in the primary and secondary schools.

VISUAL ART EXHIBITIONS

ART FAIR ENUGU

July, 2022.

Organized to showcase selected works of arts from professional artists of four generations who graduated from the Institute of Management and Technology Art School in Enugu. Their works were both historic and culturally exceptional, and contribute to the cultural economy of our country Nigeria.

ATILOGWU ANNUAL FESTIVAL

January, **2019**

A four man group exhibition to mark the occasion of the Ezeagu Atilogwu annual festival held at Oghe, Ezeagu Local Government Area, Enugu State.

EASTERN CONVOCATION OF CONTEMPORARY EXPRESSIONS December, 2018

A group exhibition featuring artists in the Eastern part of Nigeria, held at the National Gallery of Art Exhibition Hall, Enugu Zonal Office.

WORKSHOP FOR EMPOWERMENT

November, 2017

A workshop organized for the Art students of Institute of Management and Technology, Enugu, by the Fine and Applied Art ALUMNI Association, 1997 Set.

SOCIETY OF NIGERIAN ARTISTS, ENUGU CHAPTER ART EXHIBITION

July, 2017

An exhibition organized by members of Society of Nigerian Artists, Enugu Chapter that featured Sculptures, Paintings, Ceramics, Textiles, Graphic designs and Photography showing various approaches to artistic creativity.

CHINUA ACHEBE VISUAL EXPRESSIONS

October, 2013

Exhibition organized in Enugu in honour of a Nigerian author, Chinua Achebe.

SNA CONFERENCE AND EXHIBITION

March – April, 2009

Society of Nigeria Artists national round table conference and exhibition held in Enugu, Enugu State. Organized to harness the unity of professional artists in Nigeria.

HAND-MADE CARDS EXHIBITION

February, 2007

An exhibition organized by PEACKOCK group of artists to showcase their creative talents on hand-made cards during the Valentine celebration.

SET THEM FREE

June, 2006

A group exhibition by Professional artists known as ART FOR DEVELOPMENT, formed under the umbrella of **African**Network for the Prevention and Protection against Child

Abuse and Neglect, (ANPPCAN), to project their protest against child abuse in Nigeria through visual arts.

REAL LIGHT

November, 1997

An exhibition organized soon after our graduation. To showcase our new level of professionalism in arts. Most of the works were produced while we were still students.

ASSOCIATION OF FINE & APPLIED ARTS STUDENTS (AFAAS) EXHIBITIONS

Final Year exhibition of Ordinary National Diploma (OND) students of Fine and Applied Arts graduating in July, 1994. Final year exhibition of Higher National Diploma (HND) students of Fine and Applied Arts graduating in July, 1997.

ACADEMY PRESS AWARD OF EXCELLENCE COMPETITION *April*, 1996

Nationwide art competition held in Lagos, Nigeria.

ART COMMISSIONS

Commissioned art works both in the state and beyond.

- 1. Portraits of past Rectors of IMT 1995.
- 2. The portrait of the Governor of Enugu State, His Excellency, Mr. Sullivan Iheanacho Chime 2013.
- 3. Portrait of the first Lady of Enugu State, Mrs. Clara Chime 2014.
- 4. Paintings in different mediums and techniques both in Nigeria and abroad.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Society of Nigerian Artists (SNA), Secretary, Enugu State Chapter.

August, 2014 - Present

Member, Art for Development, an NGO under the umbrella of African Network for the Prevention and Protection against Child Abuse and Neglect, (ANPPCAN).

April, 2005 – August, 2006

INTERESTS

Volunteer worker at Upper Room Ministries, Enugu.

January, 1997 – Present

Secretary of Umudeani Family Meeting, Ogwofia Ozom Mgbagbu-Owa, Ezeagu Local Government Area, Enugu State.

December, 2007 – Present

Coordinator of Praise and Worship Unit, Upper Room Ministries, Catholic Diocese of Enugu, Enugu State.

February, 2012 - Present

Member of Igwe's Cabinet, Ozom Mgbagbu-Owa Autonomous Community.

April, 2023 - Present

HOBBIES

Drawing, Singing, Music, Traveling.