

Omar Wiseman - Visual Artist, Musician, and Multi-Disciplined Creator

Biography & Artistic Journey Omar Wiseman emerges as a dynamic and versatile talent, embodying the spirit of a Renaissance individual identified early on for his intellectual and artistic prowess. Raised in a nurturing environment that encouraged creativity, Omar began expressing himself artistically before he could write. He sketched views from his imagination, always with a sketchbook in hand. An exploration of diverse artistic mediums marked his formative years. He developed a multifaceted skill set, including visual arts, music, film, and athletics. His creative journey is characterized by an unyielding dedication to exploring various forms of expression, whether through vibrant strokes on a canvas or rhythmic strumming on a guitar. His work in visual arts has been profoundly influenced by his early achievements in chess, which taught him patience and strategic thinking—skills that he applies to the meticulous details of his artwork. His dedication to the arts was further cultivated in the Conservatory of Fine Arts Program at CSULA, tailored for gifted students from LAUSD, and later at the prestigious Los Angeles County High School for the Arts (LACHSA). It was here that Omar's capabilities flourished, leading to his receipt of the Scholastic Art & Writing National Gold Portfolio Award from the Alliance for Young Artists & Writers—one of the nation's highest honors for young artists. Continuing his education at The Cooper Union in New York City, Omar delved deeper into abstract expressionism, blending traditional techniques with innovative experimental methods. He currently resides in Maspeth, NY, and maintains a studio in Brooklyn where he creates captivating artwork and indulges his passion for electronic music production.

Educational Background:

- **The Cooper Union for the Advancement of Science and Art, New York, NY** (Bachelor of Fine Arts)
- **Los Angeles County High School for the Arts, Los Angeles, CA** (HS Diploma)

Professional Experience:

Omar's professional experiences are as varied as his interests:

- **Independent Consultant Art Tutor (NYC)**, where he educated elementary students using digital and traditional art methods.
- **Music Producer, MOVE|NYC| (NYC)**, where he composed original music and oversaw project logistics to ensure high-quality production.
- **Assistant Multimedia Designer at Eye Productions Inc ("Swagger" Series, Apple TV, Richmond, VA)**, where he contributed to multimedia content, set design, and maintained workflow procedures to meet deadlines.
- **Crew Hand at Jack Thriller Presents... The Party and Bullsh!t Show (NYC)**, where he supported the production of an online hip-hop music industry interview series.
- **Sound Art Teacher at The Cooper Union Saturday Program (NYC)**, where he developed unique curricula for HS students that integrated sound with visual arts.
- **Intern at Blue Rooster Art Supplies (LA, CA)**, where he organized inventory and maintained restocking records.

Accolades & Achievements:

- **Art:** Cooper Union Sarah Cooper Hewitt Fund Prize for Excellence in Art, Herb Alpert Foundation Scholarship for Emerging Young Artists, Scholastic Art and Writing

Awards National Gold Medal in Art Portfolio, Scholastic Art and Writing Awards National Silver Medal in Digital Art and Comic Art, NAACP ACT-SO Silver and Gold Medal Awards in Drawing and Painting, San Francisco Art Institute Pre-College Program, LAUSD Conservatory for the Visual Arts Program

- **Film:** NAACP ACT-SO National Silver Medal in Film, California State Summer School for the Arts Summer Animation Program
- **Chess:** Four-time California State Champion; featured on the Disney Channel.
- **Athletics:** Four-time USA AAU Junior Olympics qualifier in hurdles and long jump.

Technical Skills Omar is proficient in a range of technical skills that complement his artistic endeavors:

- **Graphic Design:** Adobe Suite, Procreate
- **Music Production:** Ableton, Logic, Pro Tools
- **Video Editing:** Adobe Premiere, After Effects, Final Cut Pro

Artist's Statement "My art is a dialogue between my inner world and the external environment. I constantly observe and interpret. I strive to capture the essence of everyday experiences, transforming them into a visual language that speaks of both the mundane and the profound. Through my work, I invite viewers to revisit their perceptions of the ordinary, finding beauty and significance where they least expect it."

Vision for the Future Omar continues to push the boundaries of traditional and digital art forms, exploring new technologies and methodologies to express his artistic visions. He remains committed to his personal and professional growth and eagerly embraces opportunities for collaboration and innovation.

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