

# Erica DeSimone

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## Credentials

OCTOBER 2025 | CONNECTICUT

### Initial Teaching Certification

Visual Arts

JULY 2025 | NEW YORK STATE

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## Education

2023 - CURRENT | FLUSHING, NY

### CUNY Queens College

ARTED-MAT

2017 - 2021 | FARMINGDALE, NY

### Farmingdale State College

Bachelors in Interaction Design

Minor in English Literature

## Related Experience

2021 - PRESENT | NORTHPORt. NY

### Instructor, Northport UFSD

2023 - 2025 | SUFFOLK COUNTY, NY

### Assistant Director, SCOPE

2023 - 2024 | NORTHPORt. NY

### Art Observation Hours

## Skills & Interests

Softball	Art History
Bowling	Web Design
Snowboarding	Technology
Theater	Sculpture
Chess	Mixed Media
Travel	Drawing
Baking	Painting

## Career Objective

Passionate art educator seeking a teaching position to cultivate students unique artistic abilities through strong foundations in art history, ceramics, and design. Committed to developing engaging, culturally responsive, and scaffolded curricula that foster creativity and artistic growth.

## Teaching Experience

NOVEMBER 2025 - PRESENT | MANORVILLE, NY

### Art Teacher, Dayton & Tuttle Ave Elementary Schools

- Taught and co-taught grades 3-6
  - Collaborated on lesson plans with co-teacher and support staff
  - Created age-appropriate material that supports creative expression
  - Implemented new classroom management strategies
- Taught K-6 self contained students
  - Developed and modified lesson plans to meet individual student needs
  - Differentiated instruction for diverse learners

SEPTEMBER 2025 - NOVEMBER 2025 | OCEANSIDE, NY

### Art Leave Replacement, Oceanside High School

- Taught two sections of Art, and one section of Digital Art at OHS Castleton.
  - Developed and taught lesson plans about fundamentals of digital art
  - Instructed students on how to use Photopea and Canva
- Taught one section of Studio Art
  - Developed and taught lesson plans related to the elements of art
  - Created scaffolded support sheets related to each project
- Taught one section of Ceramics I
  - Developed and taught lesson plans with hand-building techniques
  - Loaded, operated, and maintained Skutt kilns

JANUARY 2025 - MAY 2025 | HARBOR FIELDS CSD

### Student Teaching, Harborfields High School

- Assumed 3 sections of 9th grade Studio Art
  - Posted and created assignments on Google Classroom
  - Developed grading criteria and assessed student work
  - Took attendance and posted grades through Infinite Campus
  - Developed lesson plans having to do with perspective and color
- Instructed AP Art students on how to do a thoughtful artistic critique on their sustained investigations

SEPTEMBER 2024 - NOVEMBER 2024 | HARBOR FIELDS CSD

### Student Teaching, Washington Drive Primary School

- Assumed ceramic lesson plans for grades K-2
- Developed and taught 2nd grade unit about movement and sea creatures
- Developed and taught 1st grade unit on landscape and patterns
- Developed and taught K unit on primary colors and cartoons