

Claire Gorenflo

Artist & Interior Designer

Owner/Principal of Jewel Box Art and Design, LLC

Currently living and working in Austin, Texas



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Claire Gorenflo is an emerging artist who predominantly works with acrylics and markers on canvas. Her abstract pieces typically feature bold colors, clean lines, and angles. She often draws inspiration from practicing meditation.

Professional Summary:

- My current art portfolio includes over 30 art pieces - some that I'm actively selling through my website, and some that I will keep as my personal collection. My most recent project-in-progress, as of January 16th, 2024, is a custom hand-painted body of an electric guitar. I will continue to experiment with painting guitars in the future for my musician friends and family members. I also intend to have some hand-painted guitars available for sale in the future through my website as I continue to hone this skill.
- As an emerging artist and accomplished interior designer, I have sharpened my creative vision and technical skills through years of experience. With a diverse portfolio showcasing my proficiency in various styles, I bring a unique blend of artistry and functionality to interior design projects and paintings. My professional objective is to leverage my expertise to create captivating and inspiring artwork and spaces that resonate with clients on a deeply personal level, while continually pushing the boundaries of creativity and innovation in the world of art and design.
- With a keen eye for detail and an unwavering commitment to excellence, I have consistently transformed interior spaces into stunning works of art. Over the past 9 years, I have completed over 35 interior design projects, which not only included the design of custom interiors but also included art curation/consulting services, while exceeding client expectations and earning a stellar satisfaction rate.
- My ability to fuse art and interior design has led to a 40% increase in client referrals, solidifying my position as a sought-after professional in the industry. With a strong track record of delivering unparalleled results, I am dedicated to realizing my clients' visions and pushing the boundaries of art and design.

Education:

August 2023

Small Business Management Seminar, Certificate of Completion

Huston-Tillotson University, School of Business and Technology

December 2007

Bachelor of Science Degree, Interior Design, CIDA

The Art Institute of Pittsburgh

Skills:

- Language: English
- Applied Artistic Skills: Painting, Sculpting (clay), Furniture refinishing, Photography, Multimedia visual arts
- Professional Skills: Residential art curation and consulting, Residential and commercial design experience, Remote project design and management, Proficient in AutoCAD, Sketchup, and Layout (Drafting/Space planning, 3D rendering, Detailed elevations, and Formal construction documents), Material and hardware specification schedules, Product Sourcing, Contractor management, Cabinetry and custom furniture design, Logistics management + coordination, Order management, Window treatment design + installation management, Overall project management, Time Management, Luxury furniture sales, Customer Satisfaction/Human relations skills, Developing and maintaining positive vendor relations, Visual Merchandising, Retail Management, Loss Prevention Strategy, Employee hiring, training and development.
- Computer Software Skills: Google Suite, Excel, Microsoft Office Suite, Canva, Basic website design and management utilizing Squarespace, Square Point of Sale, Studio Designer, Harvest, Gimp (GNU Image Manipulation Program).

Professional Experience:

Jewel Box Art and Design, LLC

Austin, TX

March 2023-Present

Owner/Principal

Unnamed Interior Design Firm

Austin, TX

September 2022-September 2023

Senior Designer (Resigned to fully launch my own business)

Meredith Owen Interiors

Austin, TX

July 2020 - September 2022

Lead Designer

Designing luxury interiors for residential new build and renovation projects with minimal supervision, Floor plans/space planning, 3D renderings, Creating and maintaining formal construction documents, Specifying, ordering, and tracking furniture, lighting, and accessories, Selecting and specifying building materials and communicating clearly with builders, contractors, and clients, Implementing/installing client projects, Coming up with solutions for building/design challenges on job sites and with vendors and coworkers, Coordinating/scheduling contractors and project deliveries, Directing contractors on job sites, Creating and managing project budgets, Creating schematic drawings for custom furniture and cabinetry, Assisting clients with the sales of furniture, rugs, hardware, plumbing, appliances, and accessories, Preparing for and assisting in client, contractor, and vendor meetings, Procuring project materials and textiles, Utilizing POS system to complete sales transactions, Tracking billable time and billing clients for design/project management hours along with collecting payments due on orders, Creating and maintaining positive contractor, vendor, and client relationships, Quickly and efficiently filing claims with vendors when orders arrive damaged.

Urbanspace Interiors

July 2018 - July 2020, Austin, TX

Project Manager

Assisting in the design process for commercial and residential projects, Ordering and tracking furniture, lighting, and accessories for all client projects, Implementing/installing client projects, Coordinating/scheduling contractors and project deliveries, Directing contractors on job sites, Creating and managing project budgets, Creating schematic drawings for custom furniture and cabinetry, Floor plans/space planning, Creating and maintaining formal construction documents, Assisting clients with the sales of furniture, rugs and accessories, Preparing for and assisting in client and/or contractor meetings, Procuring project materials and textiles, Miscellaneous errands as required by supervisors, Utilizing POS system to complete sales transactions, Billing clients for design/project management hours along with collecting payments due on orders, Creating and maintaining positive vendor and client relationships.

Hobbies/Interests:

- Core volunteer at Austin Creative Reuse
 - Began January 2024
- Merlin Works Improv Classes
 - Graduated from Improv 101-301, August 2023
 - Completed Improv 401 + 501
 - Currently taking Improv 601 + 412, set to graduate from 601 in March of 2024
- Recording music with my husband (Musical skills include: Singing, playing piano, and playing ukulele)

References:

Jacqueline Hunt Bradley

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We were colleagues on the design team at

Urbanspace Interiors.

Clay Barker

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Clay was formerly the showroom manager at

Urbanspace Interiors.

*Please inquire for additional references if needed