

# Sophie McVicar

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## Education

2020 B.F.A. Art Studio, The University of Alabama at Birmingham,  
Birmingham, Alabama  
*Summa Cum Laude*

2020 B.S. Chemistry, The University of Alabama at Birmingham,  
Birmingham, Alabama  
*Summa Cum Laude*

4.0 Major(s), 3.98 Cumulative GPA

## Professional Experience

- 2018-Present Professional Artist & Freelance Illustrator, Clients include Alabama Audubon, Bird Collective, and The University of Alabama at Birmingham
- 2018-2021 Studio Assistant, Sara Garden Armstrong, Aided in composing her monograph, "Threads and Layers," as well as preparing animated projections for her accompanying traveling show
- 2016-2020 Animator & Graphic Designer, The University of Alabama at Birmingham Chemistry Department, Worked with faculty to develop and augment existing teaching material, Built and designed fully online and flipped classroom courses
- 2015-2019 Teaching Assistant, The University of Alabama at Birmingham Chemistry Department, Lead recitations and labs for both general and organic chemistry

## Selected Solo Shows

- 2020 "Agitated Corpus", Dreamers Supply Co, Birmingham, Alabama  
2019 "Glen Iris Fauna", Manitou Supply, Birmingham, Alabama

## Selected Group Shows

2021	"Prima Materia", Ground Floor Contemporary, Birmingham, Alabama
2020	"Hindsight is 2020", Gold Sprint Coffee, Huntsville, Alabama
2020	"Cathartidae", BFA Thesis Show, Abroms-Engel Institute for the Visual Arts, Birmingham, Alabama
2019	"WES: A Tribute Show", Dreamers Supply Co, Birmingham, Alabama
2018	42nd Juried Student Annual, Juror: Virginia Griswold, Abroms-Engel Institute for the Visual Arts, Birmingham, Alabama
2018	"One Drop At a Time", Project Space, Birmingham, Alabama
2017	"Several Powers", Project Space, Birmingham, Alabama
2016	"Tracing An [Invisible City]", Project Space, Birmingham, Alabama

## Selected Presentations

2019	Speaker - "Bird Collisions in Urban Environments", Undergraduate Symposium on Placemaking, Hunter Museum of American Art, Chattanooga, Tennessee
2018	Poster presentation - "Novel Naphthalene-Based Scintillator Targets New Receptor", Science and Technology Open House, Montgomery, Alabama
2018	Poster presentation - "Instructor-Created Videos with Animations", Biennial Conference on Chemical Education, University of Notre Dame, South Bend, Indiana
2018	Poster presentation - "Art of Organic Chemistry", Biennial Conference on Chemical Education, University of Notre Dame, South Bend, Indiana
2016	Poster presentation - "Diffusion of Metal Cations Through Alginate", UAB Undergraduate Research Exposition, Birmingham, Alabama

## Awards

2021	2nd Place Overall - River Clay Fine Art Festival, Decatur, Alabama
2019	Outstanding Chemistry Undergraduate - University of Alabama at Birmingham
2019	Senior Scholarship - University of Alabama at Birmingham Department of Art and Art History
2019	Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts Fellow
2019	Student Employee of the Year - University of Alabama at Birmingham Student Excellence Awards
2018	Outstanding Performance in Inorganic Chemistry - University of Alabama at Birmingham
2017	Research Fellow - Lucius Lab, Research Experience for Undergraduates, University of Alabama at Birmingham
2017	Exceptional Exhibited Artwork - University of Alabama at Birmingham 42nd Annual Juried Student Exhibition
2016	2nd Place Overall Poster Presentation - University of Alabama at Birmingham

## Birmingham Undergraduate Research Exposition

### Service

2021	Treetop Nature Trail raptor caretaker, Alabama Wildlife Center, Pelham, Alabama
2018-2020	Undergraduate Research Assistant, Primary Investigator: Dr. Gary Gray, University of Alabama at Birmingham Chemistry Department
2019	Putnam Middleschool cleanup and habitat restoration with Alabama Audubon Society, Birmingham, Alabama
2018-2019	Interviewer for University of Alabama at Birmingham Chemistry Scholars program, Birmingham, Alabama
2015-2017	Community garden upkeep, University Honors Program sustainability committee, Birmingham, Alabama