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SUMMARY

Multidisciplinary arts professional and creative leader with experience in program coordination, community engagement, and multimedia production. Proficient in blending operational excellence with artistic vision to deliver events, exhibitions, and creative content.

CREATIVE LEADERSHIP & ENTREPENEURSHIP

Founder & Creative Consultant, *Creative Consulting,* Lindenhurst, NY 07/2025 – Present
- Deliver one-on-one consultations on art direction, publishing, branding, and creative decision-making.
- Curate and host masterclasses covering art branding, pricing, publishing, and strategy.

Founder & Multimedia Creator, *Tino Art,* Lindenhurst, NY 11/2021 – Present
- Develop and manage a multidisciplinary creative practice producing visual art, literature, music, and multimedia projects.
- Oversee personal branding and marketing, including sales, website content, and digital outreach.

Creative Arts Club Founder & President, *United Artists of DASAP*, Farmingdale State College, NY 11/2021 – 05/2025
- Founded & led the first campus arts organization of its kind, promoting inclusivity through visual, written, and performing arts.
- Organized and hosted 30+ events including painting nights, open mic showcases, and student art exhibitions.
- Partnered with campus departments and industry professionals to coordinate resources, manage budgets, and promote events.

Member & Gala Participant, *Multicultural Committee,* Farmingdale State College, NY 01/2022 – 05/2025
- Collaborated with staff/faculty with event setup, performances, and displays highlighting international music, dance, and art.
- Led and planned a personal art table and a campus-wide fashion show engaging attendees.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Director of Public Relations, *NY Metro Association for Computing Machinery*, NY 06/2026 – Present
- Attend executive board meetings, assist with event planning, and lead outreach efforts with professional organizations.
- Manage social media profiles using WordPress and Canva to drive community engagement and participation.

College Aide, *Office of Continuing Education, Suffolk Community College,* Brentwood, NY 05/2026 – Present
- Serve as the main point of contact, representing the department at events, creating flyers, coordinating certificates, and training.

Administrative Support & Writing Tutor, *The Writing Center, Farmingdale State College,* NY 05/2024 – 05/2025
- Spearheaded weekly *Writers' Café* sessions that integrated art, writing, and community-building activities.
- Developed the center's social media presence by designing promotional graphics that increased engagement and participation.

Office Assistant & Coach, *Center for Academic Success & Tutoring*, *Farmingdale State College,* NY 09/2023 – 05/2025
- Planned and facilitated 50+ workshops on growth mindset, email etiquette, public speaking, and personal development.

President & Executive Advisor, *TRIO Leadership Council, Farmingdale State College,* NY 05/2022 – 05/2025
- Overhauled post-COVID operations to rebuild engagement by supervising council members, establishing protocols and strategy.
- Served as the primary events spokesperson and liaison between campus departments, nonprofits, and social media presence.

EXHIBITIONS, PUBLICATIONS & MEDIA

Publications:

- *Bob: When Literature Cannot Explain Human Nature* (2026) – 979-8166562548
- *For the Love of Self: A Christmas Journey* (2025) – 979-8276140995
- *In a Day: A Collection of Poems* (2025) – 979-8218662066
- *Tears of Despair* (2025) – 979-8316906515

Exhibitions & Festivals:

- *Islip Arts Council* – Veterans & Friends (2026)
- *Long Island Public Arts Festival* – Babylon Citizens Council on the Arts & Colored Colors (2026)
- *Future & Fantasy* – Babylon Citizens Council on the Arts (2026)
- *SIZZLE II: Summer Survey of Contemporary Art on Long Island* – Farmingdale Memorial Art Gallery (2026)
- *The Art of Being Italian American, by Florentino Garguilo* – Farmingdale State College Multicultural Gala (2025)
- *Our Clothes, Our Culture Fashion Show, by Florentino Garguilo* – Multicultural Gala, Farmingdale State College (2024)
- *Cultural Depictions, by Florentino Garguilo* – Multicultural Gala, Farmingdale State College (2024)
- *Cultural Depictions, by Florentino Garguilo* – Multicultural Gala, Farmingdale State College (2023)
- *Italian Figures, by Florentino Garguilo* – Multicultural Gala, Farmingdale State College (2022)
- *Art in the Park* – Farmingdale Village (2022, 2023)

Music:

- Released 15+ original compositions under *Tino Art*

Media:

- Host & Producer, *La Vita: Conquering Life* podcast (2025 – Present)

COURSES TAUGHT

- **Basic Italian for Travelers,** Instructor – *Suffolk Community College* 04/2027
- **Creative Writing for Fiction/Non-Fiction,** Instructor – *Suffolk Community College* 04/2027
- **English 101 & 102,** Co-Teacher – *Farmingdale State College* 09/2024 – 05/2025
- **Summer Bridge Writing Course,** Instructor/Facilitator – *Farmingdale State College* 07/2024 – 07/2024

EDUCATION

Farmingdale State College, Farmingdale, NY 08/2021 – 05/2025
Bachelor of Science – Applied Psychology
Honors & Activities: 3.9 GPA | Summa Cum Laude | Psi Chi International Honor Society

HONORS & RECOGNITION

- **SUNY Chancellor's Award for Excellence in the Arts & Creative Activities Nominee** – *SUNY* (2025)
- **Community Impact Award** – *TRIO* (2025)
- **Spirit Award** – *Farmingdale State College* (2025)
- **Presidential Service Award** – *TRIO* (2025)
- **Certificate of Appreciation for Program Moderation** – *TRIO* (2023)

SKILLS

- **Technical:** Photoshop, Illustrator, Canva, WordPress, Video Editing
- **Competencies:** Acrylic & Abstract Composition, Program Coordination, Event Planning, Cultural Awareness, Adaptability