

# AL-QAWI TAZAL NANAVATI

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## EXPERIENCE:

### SCHOOL OF THE ART INSTITUTE OF CHICAGO (SAIC)

#### TEACHING:

2017- Teaching Assistant for the department of Printmaking- Lithography.  
2016- Teaching Assistant Continuing Studies, high school summer programs, Painting and Drawing departments.  
2016- Teaching Assistant for Contemporary Practices Department, teaching Core Studio Art skills.

#### LEADERSHIP:

2016-2017- SAIC Student Body President, responsible for managing student activity funds and allocations of the same, as well as addressing student body concerns and development of the institution for the greater good of the entire student body.  
2015-16- SAIC Student Programming Board member, organizing major on-campus events.  
2015- Co-Leader of the student group SPEAK which empowers student to raise their voice against sexual violence.  
2015- Co-Leader of the Namaste SAIC student group, which organizes and celebrates festival of South Asia as well as brings in artist from that region and holds art exhibitions.

#### STUDENT SUPPORT:

2016- SAIC Senior Orientation Leader.  
2015-16- SAIC Residence Life Coordinator.  
2015-SAIC International Orientation Leader.  
2014- Project Assistant, organizing events on campus, at the Nuveen Center for International Learning.

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### HIGH SCHOOL (Jamnabai Narsee School, Mumbai, India)

2008 to 2013- Student Government leader and Adolescent Mentor who helped fellow students through mental health issues and served as the student-supporting network for the entire school.

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## EXHIBITIONS:

2016- Group exhibition, Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum, Chicago, IL.  
2016- Curatorial team member and exhibiting artist at SAIC and South Side Community Art Center's Joint Exhibition.  
2016- Hello Strangers, Group Exhibition in Chicago, IL.  
2016- Solo Exhibit SAIC Career and Professional Practices Center.  
2016- Curatorial team member and exhibiting artist at an exhibition by the Midwest Ismaili Artist Development Program in Glenview Ismaili center, Chicago, IL.  
2016- After the Suffix Show , Localcollective Gallery, Chicago IL.  
2015-2016- Winner of Nippon Steel & Sumitomo Metal U.S.A., Inc./ SAIC Exhibition Competition (Nippon 23).  
2015- Touched by Fire, Art and Laughter Show, a celebration of creativity—in honor of the Mood Disorders Association of Ontario's 30th anniversary held in Toronto, Canada.  
2015- Group exhibition Flash by the Foundation for Asian American Independent Media at the Gene Siskel Film Center, Chicago IL.  
2012 & 2013- Kala Ghoda Art Festival, Mumbai, India. Assisted the artist Varsha Pandit on two public art pieces, which were showcased at the annual national event.

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## OTHER WORK:

2017- Intern for Print Media Artist Shaurya Kumar.  
2016- Taught acrylic and tile painting workshops at the Jubilee Games 2016- Global village in Dubai. (5 days, 4 classes a day, 40-50 students per class.)  
2016- Taught several acrylic painting workshops for Midwest Ismaili Artist Development Program for all ages. (15-25 participants per class.)  
2014-2015- Art seminars for Children and Senior Citizens, at the Kansas and Milwaukee Aga Khan Education Center. (30-50 participants of all ages)  
2014- Assisted an art class (children of grade 1, age 6-7) at the Akanksha School, Mumbai, India.  
2014- Organized an art competition for children through the National Scouting & Guiding Committee, Mumbai, India.

## EDUCATION:

Currently pursuing a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Studio with an emphasis in Drawing, Printmaking and Photography at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, USA.  
Expected time of graduation is May 2017.

Previously graduated from Jamnabai Narsee School, Mumbai, India with an International Baccalaureate Diploma in the year 2013. Also secured highest marks and certificate of recognition in the country for Art and Design in the IGCSE program.

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## AWARDS:

2016- The Abraham Lincoln Student Laureate Award for Civic Engagement and excellence in Academics in the State of Illinois.

2016- Aga Khan Youth Award for excellence.

2016- Award for Excellence in Leadership at SAIC.

2014- Nominated for Contemporary Practices scholarship at SAIC.

2013-2017- SAIC merit Scholarship recipient.

2013- Exemplary Adolescent Mentor and guide for younger children at Jamnabai Narsee School.

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## QUALIFICATIONS:

Mental health First Aid USA certified.

Chicago Freedom School workshop.

Painting and Drawing

Print Making (Screen-Printing, Etching, Lithography, Monotype, Relief and Alternative print processes.)

Photography (Digital and Analogue)

Glass-blowing

Sculpture (Woodwork, Glass, 3-D printing, Laser cutting, Plaster)

Fiber and Materials (Crochet, Knitting, Weaving, Embroidery and Stitching)

Adobe Creative Cloud- Photoshop, Illustrator etc.

Microsoft Office.