

## **BENJAMIN DUSHMAN**

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### **EDUCATION**

2025 Bachelor of Arts in Studio Art, **University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign**

### **SOLO EXHIBITIONS**

2025 "A Door Called Yes," **Gallery 003**, Champaign, IL  
2025 "Life Doesn't Need To Be A Mystery To Solve," **Delta Upsilon**, Champaign, IL  
2025 "What Makes Life Worth Living," **The Cosmo**, Urbana, IL

### **GROUP EXHIBITIONS**

2026 "Migration in Time," **Ricker Library**, Champaign, IL  
2026 "Bike Winter Art Show," **Agitator Gallery**, Chicago, IL  
2025 "Choice in Media," **School of Art and Design (UIUC)**, Champaign, IL  
2024 "Industrialized Design," **Link Gallery**, Champaign, IL  
2023 "Politics in Printmaking," **Bloc Gallery**, Champaign, IL

### **LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE**

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#### **Sweet Tea Business**

Urbana-Champaign, Illinois

*Founder & Creative Director*

February 2025 – May 2025

- Created a non-alcoholic sweet tea for local venues, growing an audience through targeted Instagram marketing
- Sold 100+ units, established distribution at 5 venues, and sponsored a band partnership
- Partnered with local organizations to expand brand awareness and coordinate fundraising initiatives

#### **Design Book Club**

Urbana-Champaign, Illinois

*Founder & Program Facilitator*

August 2024 – December 2025

- Led a design-focused discussion group centered on core design principles and critical thinking
- Secured \$1,500 in funding to attain materials and manage resources for all participants
- Coordinated guest professors to share research and work experience, increasing program value

#### **Habitat For Humanity**

Urbana-Champaign, Illinois

*Co-Director of Fundraising*

August 2022 – May 2023

- Managed all signature fundraising events, creating schedules, assigning roles, and implementing promotional strategies including social media posts, email campaigns, campus flyers, and sidewalk chalk messaging
- Oversaw fundraising efforts that generated \$25,000 while tracking event data to inform strategy and improve outreach

*Fundraising Committee Chair*

January 2022 – May 2022

- Executed a signature fundraising event raising \$1,071, delegating tasks to team members and resolving arising issues to ensure smooth operations and successful outcomes

#### **Product Management at Illinois**

Urbana-Champaign, Illinois

*Vice President of Education*

August 2022 – May 2023

- Developed and delivered interactive presentations and activities on design thinking and product management frameworks to an audience of 65, enhancing learning engagement and knowledge retention
- Co-designed with a team to create a comprehensive syllabus guiding members through core product management principles and applied strategies

*Product Leader In Strategic Development*

January 2022 – May 2022

- Boosted attendance by creating hands-on content that applied product management concepts to real-world scenarios

### **Skills**

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Adobe Creative Suite, Public Speaking, Framing, Exhibition Installation, Color Theory