# Aidan H. Barton

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## > summary

Multidisciplinary professional with a diverse skill set across software development and the arts. Began coding in middle school and later earned a B.S. in Computer Science, where I honed my technical expertise. I expanded my creative capabilities by teaching myself painting, eventually earning an M.F.A. in Oil Painting. My blend of technical proficiency and artistic insight enables me to approach challenges with a unique combination of analytical rigor and creative innovation.

# > experience

ALUMNI FELLOW May 2024 - Jul 2024

The American College of the Mediterranean

Aix-en-Provence, FR

Guided incoming students as they adapted to life in France and supported them with any problems. Streamlined the school's Student Hub website.

WEB MANAGER

Jan 2024 - May 2024

Mille Fontaines Aix-en-Provence, Fr

Established the first Milles Fontaines website. Acted as photographer for the magazine, created videos, and photographed submitted artwork.

STUDIO ASSISTANT Sep 2023 - May 2024

Under Supervision of Will Ruller

Aix-en-Provence, FR

Prepared canvasses, organized and packed artwork for galleries, and installed artwork.

#### TEACHING ASSISTANT, PAINTING

Jan 2023 - May 2024

The American College of the Mediterranean

Aix-en-Provence, FR

Instructed students with varying levels of artistic ability, and maintained studio and materials.

### ROBOT BEHAVIOUR CREATIVE

Oct 2021 - Dec 2021

Engineer Arts Falmouth, Cornwall, UK

Designed and programmed humanoid robots to be more lifelike. I used my understanding of human anatomy to create fluid, natural designs and program the robots to move and behave more naturally. Worked on the robot's World Model used to sense where people are relative to itself. Prototyped a system for simulating emotion/mood within the robot. Unfortunately, due to COVID-related contract cancellations, my position was eliminated.

**STAFF** Sep 2019 - Mar 2020

Bozeman, Montana, USA Treasure State Hostel

Managed front desk operations, trained new staff, and resolved technical issues (Wi-Fi, printer, and computer).

July 2018 - Feb 2019 CAMELEER

Camel Treks Australia

Beltana, South Australia, Australia

Led multi-day and one-day camel treks, managed guest safety and education on local history, culture, and wildlife. Cared for camels and built/maintained traditional Afghan-Australian packsaddles.

#### SOFTWARE DEVELOPER CO-OP

May 2017 - May 2018

Rackspace Inc.

Blacksburg, Virginia, USA

Implemented the Rackspace Email Anti-Abuse website with Python Flask. Wrote Ansible playbooks used to provision and re-kick the servers. Modified existing Anti-Abuse code base working to reduce spam and phishing.

#### UNDERGRADUATE REASEARCHER

Jan 2017 - May 2017

HUME Center for National Security and Technology

Blacksburg, Virginia, USA

Evaluated Wi-Fi packet inter-arrival time and attempted to predict user activity. Processed Wireshark network captures and created data files that could be easily analyzed.

## education

May 2024 M.F.A. Painting

Aix-en-Provence, FR The American College of the Mediterranean

MPhil, Philosophy of Mind and Cognitive Science

University of Birmingham

Birmingham, UK

Sep 2021

#### B.Sc., Computer Science, minor in Mathematics

May 2018

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

Blacksburg, VA, USA

## skills

**Technical** C, CSS, Docker, HTML, Java, JS, Python Artistic Painting, Photography, Pottery, Writing Language Native English, Intermediate French

## > solo exhibitions

2024 The Venice Trip

Café Lumière, Aix-en-Provence, FR

# > group exhibitions

2024 MFA Exhibition

2024 Reconstruction Maroc

2023 End of Semester Vernissage

2022 End of Semester Vernissage

Galarie de la Prévôté, Aix-en-Provence, FR

Atelier Marchutz, Aix-en-Provence, FR

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# > publications

"Venetian Vignoble." Mille Fontaines Fourth Edition, 2024, p. 67.

"Unseen." Mille Fontaines Fourth Edition, 2024, p. 58.

"The Shifting Sands." *Mille Fontaines Fourth Edition*, 2024, pp.54-57.

"The Shadow Café." Mille Fontaines Fourth Edition, 2024, p. 37.

"Iron Oxide." Mille Fontaines Fourth Edition, 2024, p. 19.

"Two Bridges." Mille Fontaines Second Edition, 2023, p. 35.

"Pink." Mille Fontaines Second Edition, 2023, p. 31.

"Metamorphosis." Phi Magazine Vol. 7, 2021.