Brandi Pomfret

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Seasoned international collections and exhibitions professional with 20+ years of experience advising private collectors, museums, and galleries worldwide. Accomplished in organizing high-profile exhibitions, developing and implementing comprehensive collection strategies, and overseeing complex, multi-site holdings with active global loan programs. Recognized for discretion, precision, and a collaborative approach that preserves artistic and financial value while advancing clients' long-term cultural goals.

Professional Experience

Echelon Arts Management - Founder & Principal

Collection management firm serving museums, galleries, and private clients worldwide. New York, NY | 2015–Present

- Provide confidential collection management services to UHNW individuals and prestigious institutions, with a focus on international loans, exhibitions, acquisitions, and sales.
- Negotiate and develop contracts and approve terms and conditions for purchase agreements, loans, gifts, commercial insurance, and government indemnities; advising on risk and compliance related to IP, provenance, and condition.
- Conduct facility review, review display plans and environmental readings, and oversee condition reporting and courier oversight for high-value and at-risk artworks.
- Manage global logistics and legal frameworks for exhibitions and private collection movements utilizing and strengthening global connections and ensuring adherence to universal collection care standards.
- Implement and manage database systems for valuation and location tracking, cataloguing, and long-term asset planning.
- Advise on risk mitigation through preventive conservation strategies, including environmental controls, display and storage best practices, and long-term preservation planning; communicating findings and recommendations to both internal teams and external stakeholders.
- Review auction offerings and private sales on behalf of clients assessing authenticity, provenance, condition, and market comparables to advise on strategic acquisition decisions, ensuring quality, value, and alignment with collection goals.
- Lead client-facing operations, cultivating lasting partnerships with collectors, institutions, and agents internationally.

The Museum of Modern Art - Collection Specialist, Department of Drawings & Prints New York, NY | 2025–Present

- Coordinate loans from permanent collection, both to external parties and within the museum including reviewing condition, exposure level, handling, and proposed display.
- Produces and expedites arrangements for registration, conservation, framing, and preparation of works with budgetary review, as required.
- Arranges and oversees viewings for museum curators, outside scholars, auction house representatives, and dealers to examine works in person.

- Research all facets of the collection such as attribution, provenance, and copyright.
- Maintain and update collection documentation in database, and review and approve labels and documentation, adhering to modern cataloguing standards.

Tim Burton Productions - Collection and Exhibitions Manager

London, UK | 2016-2025

- Curated, coordinated, and project managed multiple international touring exhibitions and artwork loans, facilitating artwork movement across borders.
- Directed all artwork sales, gifts, and purchases including negotiation with buyers, institutions, and auction houses; follow up with drafting and agreement on contractual arrangements.
- Acted as public-facing representative for press and all image licensing inquiries including publishing and commercial products, safeguarding brand and IP protection.
- Provide artwork valuations based on detailed market research and recent sales data.
- Set collection management strategies while maintaining and regularly auditing the inhouse database, ensuring comprehensive metadata tagging, accurate location tracking, and integration with inventory, provenance, and condition documentation.
- Contributed to, and edited, exhibition catalogues, in-house and third-party publications, ensuring accuracy and alignment with curatorial and artistic vision.
- Oversaw conservation efforts and risk mitigation strategies for collection of over 20,000 works with storage and display environments across multiple residential and commercial sites.

The National Gallery - Collection Registrar (Maternity Cover)

London, UK | 2016-2017

- Oversaw all legal and logistical aspects of international and domestic loans, drafting and negotiating detailed agreements addressing security, liability, indemnity, and insurance coverage.
- Acted as courier for high-value or risk shipments and served as primary risk liaison for national security protocols during loans, ensuring borrower compliance with institutional and national policies.

The Museum of Modern Art (MoMA) - Assistant Registrar: Painting & Sculpture and Media & Performance Art

New York, NY | 2007-2015

- Registrar responsible for the care, movement, and oversight of MoMA's Painting & Sculpture and Media & Performance Art departments including managing in-house collection displays, accessioning and deaccessioning workflows, collaborating with curatorial, legal teams, and conservators.
- Managed domestic and international courier assignments, installation oversight, and condition documentation.
- Served as Registrar for cross-departmental exhibitions and outgoing loans to major global institutions.
- Oversaw multimillion-dollar budgets and vendor contracts for shipping, conservation, and installation.
- Served on Collection-based task force to implement institutional standards for collection management and train and mentor colleagues for accuracy and efficiency.

Jonathan LeVine Gallery - Assistant Director, Registrar, Sales Manager

New York, NY | 2005-2007

- Managed inventory and artwork sales via client communications; maintaining and strengthening relationships.
- Implemented new tracking systems and ensued compliance with collection management procedures.
- Create and negotiate loan agreements, sales receipts, valuations, and exclusivity contracts for collectors and artists.

Stefan Stux Gallery - Registrar, Gallery Manager

New York, NY | 2004–2005

• Oversaw transport logistics, daily operations, private client sales, and all contractual and financial documentation for domestic and international transactions.

Education

Sotheby's Institute of Art

Certificate, Art Business

Northumbria University, Newcastle, UK

MA, Preventive Conservation - Graduated with Distinction, 2019

Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL

BA, Art History (University Honors Program) – Graduated Cum Laude, 2003

AA, Art History - 2001

Conference Presentations and Publications

- UK Registrars Group 2018, London "Buzz, Bubble, and Stir: A Recipe for Trouble"
- European Registrars Conference 2018, London Panel Participant, "The Registrar in the 21st Century"
- ARCS 2015, New Orleans "Acquiring, Exhibiting, and Caring for Contemporary Art Installations"

Technical Proficiencies

TMS, ArtBase, Artsystems, ArtLogic, Axiell, Filemaker, Collections Index+, Articheck, Microsoft Office Suite, Adobe Creative Suite, BOX, PIX, Biblio Suite, 90 WPM typing.

Key Strengths

Collection Management, Contract Negotiation, Cataloguing, Valuation, Project Management, Risk Management, Private Client Services, International Logistics, Art Historical Expertise, Collection Strategy, Institutional Partnerships.