

# ARTIST BIOGRAPHY

AJ Gorthy was born and raised in Minot, North Dakota. In middle school, his family moved to Surrey, North Dakota, where he graduated high school in 2020. He has just graduated from Minot State University (MSU) with two undergraduate degrees: Bachelor of Science in Education with a Major in Art and Bachelors of Arts with a Major in Ceramics. He also has four concentrations: Deaf Studies, Traditional Arts & Crafts, Sculpture, and Instructional Science. He will be student teaching in the Fall at Jim Hill Middle School. A goal of AJ Gorthy is to teach middle school and/or high school art education in a public school in North Dakota. When he is not working on his degrees or creating art, Gorthy enjoys playing games like Catan, Here to Slay, Hues and Clues, Minecraft, and Stardew Valley. He also enjoys watching movies with friends or spending quality time with his golden retriever Ozzy.

