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CV

EDUCATION

- 2014 Master of Fine Arts, Ceramics (summa cum laude)
Fort Hays State University, Hays, KS
- 2005 Bachelor of Arts (summa cum laude)
McPherson College, McPherson, KS
- 1978 Diploma in Physical Therapy; Vienna, Austria

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2014 – present Associate Professor of Art, McPherson College, McPherson, KS
- 2012 – 2014 Adjunct Instructor Bethany College, Lindsborg, KS, and McPherson College, McPherson, KS
- 2000 – 2012 Founder and President of the Visual Arts Alliance of McPherson, McPherson, KS
- 1995 – present Free-lance artist and garden designer
- 1980 – 1989 Physical Therapist, Linz, Austria

MEDIA ATTENTION

- 2018 Organizer of *Art Kansas* at McPherson College, McPherson, KS
- 2014 KAKE News; *Hatteberg's People* (documentary by Larry Hatteberg)
- 2012 *Noble Souls* – documentary by Cody Whetstone

PUBLICATIONS

- 2018 Cover of Exhibition catalog, *Art of Clay*, Mark Arts, Wichita, KS
- 2014 *500 Figures in Clay, Volume 2*; Larks Books
Making Faces; Larks Books
Ceramics Monthly magazine
- 2013 *Earth Moves*; Shifts in Ceramic Art and Design;
Exhibition catalog; Arvada Center for the Arts and Humanities
and National Council on Education for the Ceramic Arts

AWARDS

- 2022 Juror's Choice Award, 53rd Smoky Hill All Media Exhibition, Hays Arts Council, Hays, KS
- 2021 Juror's Choice Award, 52nd Smoky Hill All Media Exhibition, Hays Arts Council, Hays, KS
- 2019 1st Place *Art of Clay*, national exhibition, Mark Arts, Wichita, KS
1st Place Prairie Art Exhibition, Sterling, KS
Merit Award, 50th Smoky Hill All Media Exhibition, Hays Arts Council, Hays, KS
- 2018 1st Place Lincoln Art Center Invitational, Lincoln, KS
Honorable Mention Topeka 34, all 3D media national, Sabatini Gallery, Topeka, KS
- 2017 1st Place KACA (Kansas Artists Craftsmen Assc.) Masters Exhibit, Sandzen Gallery, Lindsborg, KS
Honorable Mention Topeka 33, all 3D media national, Sabatini Gallery, Topeka, KS
- 2016 1st Place Prairie Art Exhibition, Sterling, KS
People's Choice Awards for *Lola Dancing With Arnie*,
San Angelo National Ceramic Exhibition
- 2015 1st Place (Juror's Award), Topeka Competition 32: juried national all 3D show,
Sabatini Gallery, Topeka, KS
- 2014 3rd Place and People's Choice Awards for *Lola*,
San Angelo National Ceramic Exhibition
- 2013 3rd Place Award for *Ione*; All Media National Craft Exhibit

- 2012 Wichita, Center for the Arts; juried national; Wichita, KS
Peoples' Choice Award; Topeka Competition 31; Sabatini Gallery; Topeka, KS
- 2010 1st Place; *Real People*; juried national;
The Old Courthouse Gallery, Woodstock, Illinois
- 2008 Merit Award; MOAK; Springfield, MO, Art Museum; juried, national

PERMANENT COLLECTIONS

- Alma Swensson Memorial Garden, Lindsborg, KS
San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts, San Angelo, TX
Marianna Kistler Beach Museum of Fine Art, Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS
Junction City Arts Council, Junction City, KS
Art collection of the Performing Arts Department, McPherson College, McPherson, KS
Soest Garden, Center for Urban Horticulture at the University of Washington, Seattle, WA

EXHIBITION RECORD (selected)

- 2022 53th Smoky Hill All Media Exhibition, Hays Arts Council, Hays, KS
Small Wonders, Invitational, Birger Sandzen Memorial Gallery, Lindsborg, KS
- 2021 52th Smoky Hill All Media Exhibition, Hays Arts Council, Hays, KS
- 2020 51^h Smoky Hill All Media Exhibition, Hays Arts Council, Hays, KS
- 2019 *Art of Clay*, national exhibition, Mark Arts, Wichita, KS
Prairie Art Exhibition, Sterling, KS
50th Smoky Hill All Media Exhibition, Hays Arts Council, Hays, KS
Solo show (in connection with poems by Kim Stanley) *Sprechen Sie Woman?*, Fiber Studio, Wichita, KS
Solo show (in connection with poems by Kim Stanley) *Sprechen Sie Woman?*, Hays Arts Center, Hays, KS
- 2018 Lincoln Art Center Invitational, Lincoln KS
Topeka 34, all 3D media national, Sabatini Gallery, Topeka, KS
Art Kansas – Invitational - Best of Kansas, McPherson College, McPherson, KS
- 2017 KACA (Kansas Artists Craftsmen Assc.)Masters Exhibit, Sandzen Gallery, Lindsborg, KS
Topeka 33, all 3D media national, Sabatini Gallery, Topeka, KS
- 2016 McPherson College Faculty group exhibit, Visual Arts Alliance Gallery, McPherson, KS
Prairie Art Exhibit, Sterling, KS
San Angelo, TX, Museum of Fine Arts, San Angelo National Ceramics Exhibition
Solo Show, Coutts Museum, EL Dorado, KS
Artists' Self Portraits, Invitational exhibit, Sandzen Gallery, Lindsborg, KS
McPherson College Faculty group exhibit, Fiber Studio, Wichita, KS
- 2015 *Venus Talks*, Solo Show; The Fiber Studio, Wichita, KS
Kansas Artist Craftsmen Association Conference Exhibit; Shift Space, Wichita, KS
Topeka Competition 32: juried national all 3D show, Sabatini Gallery, Topeka, KS
- 2014 Zanesville Prize for Contemporary Ceramics, international, Seiler's Gallery, Zanesville, OH
Topeka Competition 31: juried national all 3D show, Sabatini Gallery, Topeka, KS
San Angelo National Ceramic Competition, Museum of Fine Arts, San Angelo, TX,
juried by Leopold Foulem
MFA Show, Moss Thorns Gallery, Fort Hays State University, Hays, KS
Kansas Artist Craftsmen Association Conference Exhibit, Moss Thorns Gallery,
Fort Hays State University, Hays, KS
Art Faculty Show, McPherson College, McPherson, KS

- 2013 All Media National Craft Exhibit – Wichita, Center for the Arts, juried, Wichita, KS
Topeka Competition 31 juried national all 3D show Sabatini Gallery, Topeka, KS
NCECA- Arvada, juried; Arvada Center for the Arts, Denver, CO
- 2012 Kansas Artist Craftsman Association KACA: Material Mastery, Sabatini Gallery, Topeka, KS
Sandzen Gallery, Lindsborg, Kansas
Lincoln Art Center, Lincoln, Kansas
Friendship Hall, McPherson College, McPherson, Kansas
Hays Arts Council, Smoky Hill Art Competition, juried show, Hays, Kansas
Muchnic Gallery, Atchison, Kansas
- 2011 Kansas Competition 30; juried (Richard Notkin) national show, Sabatini Gallery, Topeka, Kansas
Center for the Arts, Wichita, KS, juried (Michael Jilg); national All Media Craft Exhibit
Mingenback Gallery, Bethany College, Lindsborg, Kansas
Silent Conversation; an exhibition in clay and word (with poet Kim Stanley)
Newman University, Wichita, Kansas
- 2010 *And In Between* - Hesston College, Hesston, Kansas
Wichita Arts Council annual juried show, CityArts, Wichita, Kansas
Ottawa, Kansas, Art Center
Real People - juried national show, The Old Courthouse Gallery, Woodstock, IL
Her Place, CityArts, Wichita, Kansas
Hays Arts Council, Hays, Kansas
Fiber Studio, Wichita, Kansas
Parallel Tones, an exhibition in clay and word (with poet Kim Stanley)
Manhattan Arts Center, Manhattan, Kansas
Fiber Studio, Wichita, Kansas
- 2009 National All Media Craft Show, Center for the Arts, Wichita, Kansas (juried)
Art of Fine Craft, Lux Center, Nebraska Wesleyan University, Lincoln, Nebraska
KAC, Kansas Artists Craftsmen Exhibition, Fort Hays State University, Hays, Kansas
Hays Arts Council Gallery, Hays, Kansas

COURSES TAUGHT

Drawing I
Drawing II (figure)
Painting I (acrylic)
Painting II (acrylic, abstract)
Painting II (abstract, advanced)
Ceramics I
Ceramics II
Art History I
Themes in Contemporary Art
Senior Concentration (professional practices for artists)
Elementary Design
Jewelry
Concentrated Studies in Ceramics, Painting and Jewelry making

COMMITTEE WORK

Author of performance task for general education assessment in the Fine Arts
Member of FPC to finish out Ann Zerger's position
Program Review Committee for Career Services

Advising Task Force
Board Observer for 2016
Strategic Planning for the Visual Arts Departmental

COLLEGE AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Recruitment of new art students
Fundraising for the art department
Art workshops for high school students and teachers
Lectures and presentations to high school students, high school art teachers and senior citizens
Gallery talks in connection with my own art exhibitions
Judging of art competitions for high schools, colleges and the Kansas State Fair
Advising of students
Portfolio reviews of prospective art students
Participation in Presidential Scholarship Days
Took students to museums, galleries and NCECA (National Council for the Education in the Ceramic Arts)
Attendance of faculty, division and department meetings
Attendance of lectures, theater and music events on campus

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

Made art
Participated in national juried art competitions and received several awards
Participated in NCECA (National Council for the Education in the Ceramic Arts)
Prepared for four new courses (Art History I, Jewelry, Ceramics I, Elementary Design)
Learned a new way of critiquing art: CRP (the critical response process)
Horizon Fellow at McPherson College