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## **Education**

2022 (expected) MFA, Printmaking, Fort Hays State University, Hays, KS  
2006 BFA, Printmaking, Fort Hays State University, Hays, KS

## **Work Experience**

2021, 2020 & 2005 Summer Youth Art classes, ages 5-11, Hays Arts Council, Hays, KS  
2019 Fall Semester- Spring2021

**Graduate Teaching Assistant. Fort Hays State University, Hays, KS**

Fall 2020 **Graduate Teaching Assistant: Intro and advanced Printmaking**

I was given full autonomy in teaching two introductory print classes. I also heavily assisted and kept the advanced students organized and productive while I was enrolled in this class without a professor, additionally managing an undergraduate laboratory assistant.

- Create updated curriculum for both introductory and advanced courses
- Manage all supplies and materials for both on campus and virtual scenarios
- Maintain classroom equipment
- Grade all coursework and written assignments
- Organize portfolio exchange for advanced printmakers

Fall 2020 **Graduate Teaching Assistant: Survey Art History**-hybrid course

This was my first time teaching a lecture course, and due to limits on classroom occupancy I taught primarily online. I was only able to meet in person by splitting the class in two on different days of the week.

- Lecture were both recorded or held via Zoom person
- Grade all coursework including writing assignments
- Present supplemental resources via Blackboard

Spring 2020 **Graduate Teaching Assistantship: Printmaking**

We began this semester on campus and when COVID-19 forced us off campus, I took on greater responsibility to both introductory and advanced printmaking classes. This shift required great flexibility and patience to move a studio class online.

- Set up and manage online discussion boards for intro and advanced printmaking
- Assemble at home supply packages for all students
- Adapt curriculum to accommodate students working from home
- Organize and Manage all online meeting through Zoom and Facebook

2019-2017, 2014-2008 **Press Manager: Blue Collar Press, Lawrence, KS**

I began working in quality control, shipping and receiving but quickly moved into a full time printing position and continued to increase my responsibilities within the company over the years. I was offered a management position in 2017 that brought me back to the company.

- Printer (Poster department lead) 2008 – 2014
- Hire and train printing and quality control support staff
- Plan, manage and meet new and recurring project deadlines
- Shop and press maintenance, including minor electrical
- Manage supplies and product orders for production floor
- Collaborate daily with design team to translate digital artwork onto a printed garment
- Troubleshoot inks, supplies and fabrics to achieve desired visual outcome for clients
- Sample new products in order to improve workflow and save money on the shop floor
- Maintaining a safe and healthy work environment
- Engage community and customer relationships through live print activities at local benefit events:
  - Lawrence Food Truck Festival, Benefit for Just Food 2019
  - Beers on the Kaw, benefit for Kaw River Valley 2018
  - Prairie Elementary: printing lesson, demonstration and workshop
  - Customer appreciation open house at Sunflower Outdoor, live printing

2016-2014      **Farm to School Coordinator: Lawrence Public Schools, Lawrence, KS**

I was hired under a two year grant funded contract to expand Farm to School programming by building schools gardens and collaborating to establish curriculum for outdoor classrooms.

- Increased the number of school gardens by 100 percent
- Developed Farm to School programming K-8
- Coordinate and train school garden teams
- Implement local food purchasing policies
- Manage grant funding and donations
- Mobilize community and business partnerships to support programming
- Lead and facilitate group projects
- I attended conferences and workshops locally and regionally. I presented and promoted our programming in Kansas, Nebraska, North Carolina and Wisconsin during the national Farm to School Conference in 2016.

2016-2014      **Garden Coordinator: Community Mercantile Education Foundation  
Lawrence, KS**

The mission of Community Mercantile Education Foundation is to nourish and inspire personal well being, strengthen community connections, and support sustainable, local food systems. CMEF fulfills this mission by creating beautiful and productive gardens, developing youth leaders, and using food as a transformative path to health. As Garden Coordinator I was responsible for:

- Plan and maintain student garden for the purpose of vegetable production and sale
- Lead volunteer and student workdays
- Participate in special events
- Promote program values throughout community

2014-2008      **Organic grower's apprentice: Maggie's Farm** Lawrence, KS

- Tending sheep for the purpose of wool production
- Hand dyeing natural fibers
- Illustrating recipe pages for CSA
- Building customer and community relationships
- Operate and repair various equipment and machinery

2007      **Studio Intern: Women's Studio Workshop** Rosendale, NY

I was awarded one of two six month winter print studio internships. I lived on site with other interns and artists in residence. I was responsible for general cleaning and maintenance to assembling books and assisting residents in the various studios.

- Assisting visiting artists and residents in printing, binding or papermaking
- Acting as studio assistant for workshops and classes
- Participating in education and outreach programming
- Maintaining studio functionality: servicing and troubleshooting equipment, performing organizational and cleaning projects, turning over resident housing, and potluck setup/breakdown
- Fiber farm planting and harvesting
- Studio intern magical potluck lunch production

### **Community-Based Performance, Education and Outreach**

2017-2014      **Drum Safari**      Kansas City, MO

<http://www.drumsafari.org/>

Drum Safari is a KC-based family business, focused on creating positive life changing experiences through music and creative arts for people of all ages. Performances are interactive and education based. A sense of community develops in each Drum Safari show through sharing arts and music. Programs are tailored for many potential audiences from community festivals to schools, churches, and libraries.

- Traveled with troupe to various events
- Distribute instruments to audience for participation in rhythm workshops
- Lead instrument making workshops to accompany performance

2018-2017      **The Last Carnival**      Lawrence, KS

<http://www.sihkaanndestroy.com/>

The Last Carnival is the first and only circus arts school in Lawrence, KS devoted to performing arts, aerial dance, acrobatics, and whole body fitness training. As a performer, interacting and engaging audiences was at the heart of every event. As a fitness instructor I tailored my classes to meet the needs of most ages, abilities and skill level. The revolving troupe traveled, often as the headlining act for art and music events and festivals around the state of Kansas.

- *Student Showcase*, The Granada Theater      Lawrence, KS
- *New Moon Music Festival*, family workshops and performance Ava, MO
- KU Events Department hosts The Last Carnival, University of Kansas      Lawrence, KS
- Mammoth Music and Arts Festival, Mankato, KS, troupe performances and family workshops

- Wichita River festival, troupe performance and workshops, Wichita,KS
- Lawrence Buskerfest, Performance and crowd participation
- First Friday Troup performance at 8th & Massachusetts

2020-2014      **Sunrise Project**              Lawrence, KS

<https://www.sunriseprojectks.org/>

- Community outreach-serving in my role as a Farm to School Coordinator with Lawrence Public Schools and also as community volunteer my involvement with Sunrise Project included garden work days, leadership in teaching K-12 youth programming about food, farming and creativity. 2014-2017
- Teen silkscreen workshop
- Community cooking demonstrations
- Lead Summer of Service(United Way) garden work-days throughout Lawrence public school

## Exhibitions

**2021**    *Crystalized*: monotype series displayed in the dean's office, Rarick Hall. Fort Hays State University, Hays, KS.

*Graduate Student Exhibition*, Moss-Thorns Gallery of Art. Hays, KS.

*Bound*, juried group exhibition. Jurer: Chip Thomas. Awarded Honorable Mention, and work purchased for private collection. LightArtSpace, Silver City, New Mexico.

*We All come From Somewhere:Portfolio*, exhibited at the Power and Light Press, Silver City, NM.

*FHSU Art and Design:Fortitude and Persistence*, traveling group exhibition. Colby Prairie Museum,Colby, KS. Lincoln Art Center, Lincoln KS.

*Art on the Oasis*, Bender Hall, Colby Community College, Colby, KS, Juried, Toby Flores, "Fortitude and Persistence" FHSU student and faculty exhibition, Hays Arts Council, Hays, KS  
*52nd Annual Smoky Hill Exhibition*, Juried, Jay Nelson, Hays Arts Council, Hays, KS

**2020**    *Kansas Byways*, invitational, Hays Arts Council, Second Gallery

*Art on the Oasis*, Juried, Kary Zwegart, GalleryBender Hall, Colby Community College, Colby, KS

*51st Annual Smoky Hill Exhibition, Juried,Paul Allen*

*THE INTERNATIONAL CONTEMPORARY MINIPRINT OF KAZANLAK* international jury comprised of Barbara Graham (New Zealand), Peter Boyadjieff (Bulgaria), Art Gallery Kazanlak, Bulgaria

January Featured Artist, The Art Guild Gallery, Dodge City, KS

**2019**    *Graduate exhibition*, invitational group show, The Annex, Hays,KS

**2018**    *"If I Were A Shark"* benefit sculpture Make a Wish Foundation Bubble Ball, Kansas City, KS

*"A Blue Collar Shirt-mas"* benefit sculpture for the Festival of Lights Liberty Hall, Lawrence, KS

**2012**    *"Culinary Color Play"* Exhibition Community Mercantile, solo invitational Lawrence, KS

- “*Women’s Studio Workshop Internship*” Solo invitational, Cafe Semolino, Hays, KS
- 2008** “*Forgeries*” Women’s Studio workshop Rosendale, NY 2007  
 34th Annual Smoky Hill exhibition, juried Hays Arts Council  
 Spring Gallery Walk at Nextec, invitational group show, Hays, KS  
 “*Recent Works*” two person invitational exhibit, Semolino Cafe, Hays, KS
- 2007** Art Affair Gallery, Baldwin KS  
 “*Forgeries*” Intern group showe with Lindsay Clark-Ryan and Sandra Brown, Women’s Studio Workshop, Rosendale, New York  
 “*Amazing Women*” invitational, Artspring Gallery, Salina, KS  
 Solo Invitational, Exhibition at Capers Cafe, Salina, KS
- 2006 Two person painting exhibition, Semolina Cafe  
 Student Honors exhibition, Moss thorns Gallery Hays KS  
 Creade Small Print Exhibition, Crede CO  
*High Plains Printmakers*, group exhibitions in Malloy Hall and Sheridan Hall, Fort Hays State University
- 2005 *Full Figured*, BFA exhibition, Hays Arts Council, Hays, KS  
*Watercolor Monotype*, group exhibition Hays Arts Council, Hays KS  
 Solo invitational exhibition, Kukkabah Koffee House, Hays, KS  
*Student Honors Exhibition*, Juried, Moss thorns Gallery, Hays, KS
- 2004 Student Honors Exhibition, Moss-Thornes Gallery, Hays, KS  
 “*Mark Making*” exhibition at the Studio Gallery Hays, KS  
 “*Kansas Collegiate Aesthetics*” The Birger Sandzen Gallery, Juried, Lindsborg KS
- 2003 Student Honors Exhibition FHSU, Moss Thorns Gallery Hays, KS
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## **Community Outreach/Donated Art and Design**

- 2020 *Sunrise Project Annual Pie Auction*, Logo design, 2020
- 2018 *A Blue Collar Shirt-mas-* donated fiber sculpture for Douglas County Shelter fundraiser  
*If I were a shark*, donated sculpture for Make a Wish Foundation Bubble Ball fundraiser
- 2017 Central Garden logo for Liberty Memorial Central Middle School, Lawrence, KS
- 2014 Farm to School Logo for Lawrence Public Schools USD 497, Lawrence, KS
- 2010 Maggie’s Farm CSA Recipe illustrations and marketing materials

## **Awards, Grants, Scholarships**

- 2021** *Art on the Oasis*, 3rd place cash award in professional category, Gallery Colby, KS  
 Art Scholarship, Fort Hays State University \$1751
- 2020** Don and Marie Dwyer Scholarship, Fort Hays State University  
 Earl O and Winona M. Field Scholarship, Fort Hays State University  
*Art on the Oasis*, cash award 1st, 2nd and Jurer’s Merit awards in professional category, Gallery, Colby KS  
 Graduate Scholarly Research Grant, Fort Hays State University: Graduate school
- 2019** Excellence in Service to Students Award: The National Society of Leadership and Success
- 2010** Logo Design Contest Winner, Community Mercantile, Lawrence, KS

- 2006 Student\_recognition award, Fort Hays State University, Hays, KS  
Merit award, Crede Small Print Exhibition  
Fort Hays State University Student Research/Creative Activity Award Grant
- 2005-2003 Student Honors Scholarship

## **Publications**

- 2006 *Creative Convocations*, National Art Publication Volume 2, Issue 1  
“Lines” FHSU English Department art and poetry publication
- 2005 “Lines” FHSU English Department art and poetry publication
- 2004 Kansas Collegiate Aesthetics catalog

## **Collections**

“We All Come From Somewhere” Curated Portfolio Exchange held in the Zuckerman Museum of Art:  
SGC Print Collection and Archives, Kennesaw State University, GA

## **Organizations**

Current member *Southern Graphics Council International*

Current member *Mid-America Print Council*

2020-2019 Treasurer, Creative Arts Society, Fort Hays State University, Hays, KS

Treasurer responsibilities include managing club money or profit from fundraisers, making deposits and writing allocations proposals and budgets for the next fiscal year

2016-2014 Douglas County Food Policy Council, Lawrence, KS

Community Subcommittee Chair

I served on the DCFPC as the institutional purchasing representative for Lawrence Public Schools in my role as Farm to School Coordinator.

2019-2008 The Lawrence Arts Center, Lawrence, KS

I worked part time as a figure model and volunteered Annually for the Art Auction/Gala and fundraiser.

## **Conferences \*indicates presenter status**

2016 \*National Farm to Cafeteria Conference, Madison, WI

\*Train the Trainer with Slow Food USA, Charlotte, NC

\*Midwest Farm to School Conference: Connecting Farms, Schools & States, Nebraska City, NE

\*School Nutrition Association of Kansas Fall Conference, Topeka, KS

Missouri’s Farm to School Conference: Growing Together, Columbia, MO

Impacting School Wellness, Topeka, KS

Farm to School Networking and Training Workshop, Manhattan, KS

2014 Farm to Cafeteria Conference, Austin, TX

- 2007 Frontiers in Printmaking at Illinois State university Normal, IL  
● Portfolio review.
- 2006 Mid America Print at Ohio University Athens, OH