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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Associate Professor of Art, Concordia College, Moorhead, MN. 2005 to present

- Instruct courses in Beginning, Intermediate, and Advanced Ceramics, Inquiry Ceramics, Sustainable Ceramics Capstone, Two-Dimensional Foundations.

Assistant Professor of Art, Concordia College, Moorhead, MN. 1998-2001, 2002-2005

- Instruct courses in Beginning, Intermediate, and Advanced Ceramics, Two-Dimensional Foundations, Methods in Art for art education majors, and Elementary Art Education Methods.
- Director of Art Education Program. Supervise and evaluate Art Education Student Teachers. Coordinate state licensure for Art Education Program.

Art Teacher- Head of Art Department, Cheney High School, Cheney KS. 2001-2002

- Instructed introductory and advanced classes in drawing, painting, graphic design, digital photography, printmaking, ceramics, sculpture, and jewelry.

EDUCATION

M.F.A. in Art, Fort Hays State University, Hays, KS, 1992
Major in Ceramics, Minor in Sculpture
Additional Specialization: Drawing, Bronze Casting, Jewelry

B.F.A. in Art, Fort Hays State University, Hays, KS, 1990
Major in Ceramics, Art Education, K-12 Certification
Additional Specialization: Sculpture, Printmaking

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Environmental Studies Task Force, Concordia College 2010-2011
- Member, Professional Growth Committee, Concordia College, 2008-11
- Member, Environmental Studies Committee, Concordia College, 2008-11
- Moorhead ISD Comprehensive Arts Planning Program Committee Member, 2007-2009
- Teacher Education Executive Committee, 2006-2007
- Member, First Year Experience Committee, Concordia College, 2003 - 2006
- Judge, Thirty Sixth Annual Hawley Art Show, Hawley, Minnesota, 2003
- Service Learning Faculty Mentor, Concordia College, 2000
- Member, Copyright and Publications Committee, Concordia College, 2000-2001

PRESENTATIONS

- Presenter, Opening fall workshop, Concordia College, Moorhead MN, 2010
- Presenter, Masters of Ceramics Symposium, Anoka Ramsey Community College, 2010
- Featured Presenter, "Terrane" Symposium Exhibition, Cyrus M. Running Gallery, 2008
- Featured Presenter, "Ceramics; Innovation and Change", Plains Art Museum, Fargo, 2008
- Guest Lecturer, Hughes Fine Arts Center Gallery, University of North Dakota, 2005
- Presenter, wheel-throwing exhibition, Interactive Fine Art and Drama Performance, Concordia College, 2001
- Lecturer for Art on the Plains Artist Talks, 2001

- Guest Speaker, "Meet the Artist" youth program, Plains Art Museum, Fargo, ND, 2000-2001
- Featured Presenter, Art on the Plains Exhibition, Artist Lecture Series, Plains Art Museum, Fargo, ND, 2000

PUBLICATIONS

- Artwork published in "Exposure," *Ceramics Monthly*, March 2011
- "Best Practices for Advising" interview published in *Advising for Vocation*, 2007
- Raku Process published in *Pottery Making Illustrated*, March/April 2003
- Artwork published in "Kerameiki Techni," *The International Ceramic Art Review*, August 2000
- Artwork published in "1994 Fletcher Challenge Award," *Ceramics Monthly*, November 1994

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Member, National Council on Education for the Ceramic Arts
- Member, Art Educators of Minnesota
- Member, Fargo Moorhead Visual Artists
- Member, Kansas Artist and Craftsman Association

SELECTED HONORS

- Summer Study Grant Award, Concordia College, Moorhead, MN, 2010
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- Summer Study Grant Award, Concordia College, Moorhead, MN, 2007
- Summer Study Grant Award, Concordia College, Moorhead, MN, 2004

COMMUNITY AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES

- Director, service-learning ceramics sale for Art Department and charity, Concordia College, 1998-2010
- Donated artwork to March of Dimes' "Bowls for Babies," 2003-2009
- Donated artwork for Rainbow Bridge Art Auction, 2003-2008
- Donated ceramic artwork to the American Cancer Society's art auction, 1998-2005
- Donated artwork, Plains Art Museum, Spring Gala, 2000, 2001, 2003, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010
- Donated artwork for the American Heart Association, 1999-2002
- Director, United Way Campaign, Art Department Representative, Concordia College, 1998-2001
- Organizer, national hunger bowl project with ceramics classes, Concordia College, 1999

ARTISTIC RECOGNITION

- Juror's Special Recognition Award, 13th Annual All Media, National Juried Exhibition, Upstream People Gallery, Omaha, NE 2010
- Juror's Special Recognition Award, All Media Summer, National Juried Exhibition, Upstream People Gallery, Omaha, NE 2010
- Third Place Award, "Clay³ National Juried Ceramics Exhibition" ClaySpace Ceramic Art Studio, Warrenville, IL 2009
- Juror's Special Recognition Award, 12th Annual All Media, National Juried Exhibition, Upstream People Gallery, Omaha, NE 2009
- Merit Award, Jersey Shore Clay National Juried Exhibition, M.T. Burton Gallery, Surf City, NJ, 2008
- Third Place Award, Art on the Plains 9 Regional Juried Exhibition, Plains Art Museum, Fargo, ND 2006
- Best of Show Award, AEM Conference Exhibition, Martha Bennett Gallery, Minneapolis, MN 2005
- Second Prize, Jersey Shore Clay National Juried Exhibition, M.T. Burton Gallery, Surf City, NJ, 2005
- Juror's Special Recognition Award, 2-3-4 D, International Juried Exhibition, Period Gallery, Omaha, NE, 2000
- Juror's Special Recognition Award, Mixed Media, National Juried Exhibition, Period Gallery, Omaha, NE 1999
- Juror's Choice Award, Art on the Plains Regional Juried Exhibition, Plains Art Museum, Fargo, ND, 1998
- Honorable Mention Award, NMSU Mid-America Art Teachers Exhibition, Maryville, MO, 1995
- Merit Award, 18th Annual North Dakota National Juried Exhibition, Minot, ND, 1995

- Judge's Commendation Award, International Fletcher Challenge Ceramics Competition, New Zealand, 1994

SELECTED EXHIBITIONS

2011

"Visions in Clay" National Juried Exhibition, LH Horton Jr. Gallery, San Joaquin Delta College, Stockton CA
 "From the Red River Valley" Invitational Exhibition, Joliet Junior College, Joliet IL
 "Magic Dirt" National Juried Exhibition, Baron and Ellin Gordon Art Galleries, Old Dominion University, Norfolk VA
 Thirteenth Annual All Media International Juried Exhibition, Upstream People Gallery, Omaha, NE
 "Beyond the Brickyard" International Juried Exhibition, Archie Bray Foundation, Helena MT
 "KACA Members Juried Exhibition" Chapman Gallery, Kansas State University, Manhattan KS
 "Unwedged 2010" International Juried Exhibition, Pottery Northwest Gallery, Seattle, WA
 "Material Mastery" National Juried Exhibition, Strecker-Nelson Gallery, Kansas State University, Manhattan KS
 "Annual Spring Gala" Juried Invitational Exhibition, Plains Art Museum, Fargo ND
 Faculty Exhibition, Cyrus M. Running Gallery, Concordia College, Moorhead, MN

2010

"From Curiosity to Wonder" Invitational Exhibition, Cyrus M. Running Gallery, Concordia College, Moorhead MN
 "Architecture in Clay," National Juried Exhibition, The Myers Gallery at Muddy's Studio, Santa Ana, CA
 "Minnesota Ceramic Educators," Invitational Exhibition, The Great River Gallery, Anoka Ramsey Community College, Coon Rapids, MN
 "Tenth Annual Summer All Media International Juried Exhibition" Upstream People Gallery, Omaha, NE
 "Contemporary Clay 2010" National Juried Exhibition, The Western Colorado Center for the Arts, Grand Junction, CO
 "Abstraction 100 Invitational Exhibition" Minnesota State University Moorhead Gallery, Moorhead MN
 "Lake Region Arts Council/McKnight College Ceramics Department Exhibition" LRAC Gallery, Fergus Falls, MN
 "Clay West International" Nora Eccles Harrison Museum of Art, Utah State University, Logan UT
 "Annual Spring Gala" Juried Invitational Exhibition, Plains Art Museum, Fargo ND
 Faculty Exhibition, Cyrus M. Running Gallery, Concordia College, Moorhead, MN

2009

"Clay³ National Juried Ceramics Exhibition" ClaySpace Ceramic Art Studio, Warrenville, IL
 "Windmills and Wind Turbines" Invitational Exhibition, Hillstrom Museum of Art, Gustavus Adolphus College, Saint Peter, MN
 Eleventh Annual All Media International Juried Exhibition, Upstream People Gallery, Omaha, NE
 Group Invitational Exhibition, Upfront Gallery, Fargo, ND
 "The Big Art Show" FMVA Group Exhibition, The Hjemkomst Heritage Center, Moorhead, MN
 "Art on the Edge" 5th Annual Juried Art Show, Edge Center Gallery, Bigfork, MN
 "Annual Spring Gala" Invitational Exhibition, Plains Art Museum, Fargo ND
 Faculty Exhibition, Cyrus M. Running Gallery, Concordia College, Moorhead, MN

2008

MSCTC 37th Annual Art Exhibition, Waage Fine Arts Gallery, Fergus Falls, MN
 Ceramic Objects/Conceptual Material, National Juried Exhibition, Anne Kittrell Gallery, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR
 Faculty Exhibition, Cyrus M. Running Gallery, Concordia College, Moorhead, MN
 FM Greats, Group Invitational Exhibition, Fargo North High School Mailloux Gallery, Fargo, ND
 "Art on the Edge" 4th Annual Juried Art Show, Edge Center Gallery, Bigfork, MN
 The Big Art Show" FMVA Group Exhibition, The Hjemkomst Heritage Center, Moorhead, MN
 New Hampshire Institute of Art Ceramics Biennial Exhibition, National Juried Exhibition, Manchester, NH

"Americas 2008" International Juried Exhibition, Minot Art Gallery, Minot, ND

Four person exhibition, Plains Art Museum, Fargo, ND

"Terrane" Solo exhibition, Cyrus M. Running Gallery, Concordia College, Moorhead, MN

"Annual Spring Gala" Invitational Exhibition, Plains Art Museum, Fargo ND

2007

Faculty Exhibition, Cyrus M. Running Gallery, Concordia College, Moorhead, MN

"Art on the Edge" 3rd Annual Juried Art Show, Edge Center Gallery, Bigfork, MN

Ninth Annual Contemporary Art International Juried Art Exhibition, Upstream People Gallery, Omaha, NE
Group Invitational Exhibition, Upfront Gallery, Fargo, ND

NCECA Serving the US: Master Kiln Builders Invitational, Glassworks Gallery, Louisville, KY

Third Annual FM Visual Artist's Group Exhibition, The Hjemkomst Heritage Center, Moorhead, MN

The Clay Review, National Ceramics Competition, Compton Art Gallery, Tacoma, WA

"Annual Spring Gala" Invitational Exhibition, Plains Art Museum, Fargo ND

2006

AEM Conference Exhibition, Perpich Center for Arts Education, Golden Valley, MN

Soul Searching Exhibition, Cyrus M. Running Gallery, Concordia College, Moorhead, MN

Faculty Exhibition, Cyrus M. Running Gallery, Concordia College, Moorhead, MN

Art on the Plains, Ninth Annual Regional Juried Exhibition, Plains Art Museum, Fargo, ND

Juried Fine Art Regional Exhibition 2006, Heritage Hjemkomst Interpretive Center, Moorhead, MN

Eighth Annual Contemporary Art International Juried Exhibition, Upstream People Gallery, Omaha, NE

Feats of Clay XIX, National Juried Competition, Lincoln Arts and Culture Foundation, Lincoln, CA

Viewpoint: Ceramics 2006, National Ceramics Competition, Hyde Art Gallery, Grossmont College, El Cajon, CA

Eighth Annual All Media International Juried Exhibition, Upstream People Gallery, Omaha, NE

Second Annual FM Visual Artist's Group Exhibition, The Hjemkomst Heritage Center, Moorhead, MN

"Annual Spring Gala" Invitational Exhibition, Plains Art Museum, Fargo ND

2005

The Art of Fine Craft National Juried Exhibition, Elder Gallery, Nebraska Wesleyan University, Lincoln NE

Faculty Exhibition, Cyrus M. Running Gallery, Concordia College, Moorhead, MN

Two-Person Exhibition, Hughes Fine Arts Center Gallery, University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, ND

AEM Conference Exhibition, Martha Bennett Gallery, Minneapolis, MN

Seventh Annual Abstraction International Juried Exhibition, Upstream People Gallery, Omaha, NE

On the Edge, National Juried Exhibition, Fish House Art Center, Stuart, FL

Jersey Shore Clay National Juried Exhibition, M.T. Burton Gallery, Surf City, NJ

Seventh Annual Contemporary Art International Juried Exhibition, Upstream People Gallery, Omaha, NE

"Annual Spring Gala" Invitational Exhibition, Plains Art Museum, Fargo ND

2004

Seventh Annual All Media International Juried Exhibition, Upstream People Gallery, Omaha, NE

New Hampshire Institute of Art Ceramics Biennial Exhibition, National Juried Exhibition, Manchester, NH

Visions in Clay 2004, National Juried Exhibition, University of the Pacific, Reynolds Gallery, Stockton, CA

Ceramic Sculpture National Juried Exhibition, Celadon Gallery, Water Mill, NY

Vitrified Clay National: Form and Content, Juried Exhibition, Rockport Center for the Arts, Rockport, TX

AEM Conference Exhibition, Perpich Center for Arts Education, Golden Valley, MN

Art of Democracy: Tools of Persuasion Exhibition, The Minneapolis Institute of Arts, Minneapolis, MN

Faculty Exhibition, Cyrus M. Running Gallery, Concordia College, Moorhead, MN

Waste Transformation Art Exhibition VI, Moorhead Center Mall, Moorhead, MN

"Annual Spring Gala" Invitational Exhibition, Plains Art Museum, Fargo ND

2003

St. Petersburg Clay National, Juried Exhibition, Historic Seaboard Train Station Gallery, St. Petersburg, FL

Origins in Clay III, National Juried Exhibition, Hill Country Arts Foundation, Ingram, TX
Clay Art 2003, National Juried Exhibition, Hall's Peppermill Gallery, Saratoga Springs, NY
Sanctuary Peace Prize Forum Exhibition, Cyrus M. Running Gallery, Concordia College, Moorhead, MN
Waste Transformation Art Exhibition V, Moorhead Center Mall, Moorhead, MN
Paint the Town Red 2003 Invitational Exhibition, Plains Art Museum, Fargo, ND
Faculty Exhibition, Cyrus M. Running Gallery, Concordia College, Moorhead, MN
"Annual Spring Gala" Invitational Exhibition, Plains Art Museum, Fargo ND

2002

Faculty Exhibition, Cyrus M. Running Gallery, Concordia College, Moorhead, MN
Central Plains Art Educators Exhibition, Douglas High School Gallery, Douglas, KS
Prairie Artists, Invitational Exhibition, Old Town Gallery, Wichita, KS

2001

Origins in Clay II, National Juried Exhibition, UTSA, Art Gallery, San Antonio, TX
Faculty Exhibition, Cheney Board of Education Offices, Cheney, KS
Awaken the Senses 2001 Invitational Exhibition, Plains Art Museum, Fargo, ND
Waste Transformation Art Exhibition III, Moorhead Center Mall, Moorhead, MN
"Annual Spring Gala" Invitational Exhibition, Plains Art Museum, Fargo ND

2000

Abstraction II 2000, International Ceramic Arts Juried Exhibition, Period Gallery, Omaha, NE
2-3-4 Dimensional, International Juried Exhibition, Period Gallery, Omaha, NE
Prevailing Winds, Contemporary American Ceramics, National Juried Exhibition, Y&C Gallery, Wilmington, VT
Clay Show 2000, National Juried Exhibition, CORE Gallery, Denver, CO
Awaken the Senses 2000 Invitational Exhibition, Plains Art Museum, Fargo, ND
Faculty Exhibition, Cyrus M. Running Gallery, Concordia College, Moorhead, MN
The Body Incarnate, National Juried Exhibition, Good Monkey's Gallery, Eugene, OR
Art on the Plains, Third Annual Regional Juried Exhibition, Plains Art Museum, Fargo, ND
Waste Transformation Art Exhibition II, Moorhead Center Mall, Moorhead, MN
"Annual Spring Gala" Invitational Exhibition, Plains Art Museum, Fargo ND

1999

Abstraction 9T9, International Juried Exhibition, Period Gallery, Omaha, NE
Origins in Clay, National Juried Competition, Hill Country Arts Foundation, Ingram, TX
Mixed Media, National Juried Exhibition, Period Gallery, Omaha, NE
Waste Transformation Art Exhibition, Moorhead Center Mall, Moorhead, MN
Faculty Exhibition, Cyrus M. Running Gallery, Concordia College, Moorhead, MN
"Annual Spring Gala" Invitational Exhibition, Plains Art Museum, Fargo ND

1998

Out of the Fire VIII, National Juried Exhibition, Kreft Center for the Arts, Ann Arbor, MI
Olathe School District Faculty Art Exhibition, Olathe Education Center, Olathe, KS
Art on the Plains, First Annual Regional Juried Exhibition, Plains Art Museum, Fargo, ND
Faculty Exhibition, Cyrus M. Running Gallery, Concordia College, Moorhead, MN

COLLECTIONS

Plains Art Museum, Fargo, ND
Sprint Corporation, Overland Park, KS
Idlewild House Incorporated, Clemmons, NC
David Chen, Wellington, New Zealand

Kansas City Kansas Public Library, Kansas City, KS
Moss-Thorns Gallery, Hays, KS