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Education

- 2018 MFA, Sculpture, Bradley University
- 2016 MA, Sculpture, Bradley University
- 1999 Master of Liberal Studies, Bradley University
- 1968 BS, Elementary Education, Illinois State University

Solo Exhibitions

- 2023 "A Cup of Kindness", Foster Gallery, Peoria, IL
- 2019 "Not Clearly Defined", Peoria Art Guild, Peoria, IL
- 2018 Outdoor Permanent Installation "The Pedestrian", Peoria Riverfront Museum
- 2018 MFA Thesis Exhibition, "– more questions than answers", Bradley University
- 2018 "1st Friday", Ear in the Envelope Gallery, Peoria, IL
- 2016 MA Thesis Exhibition, "Of Significance", Bradley University
- 2016 "When Birds Sleep...", Project 1612, Peoria, IL
- 1996 "Private Journey", Checkered Raven Gallery II, Peoria, IL
- 1993 "There Was Once A Young Women", Round River Gallery, Peoria, IL

Group and Two-Person Exhibitions (*denotes Two-Person Exhibition)

- 2024 [24] PAG Portfolio Project, Peoria Art Guild, Peoria IL
- 2021 *Peoria Women NOW*, Peoria Art Guild, Peoria, IL
- 2021 *Members & Friends "Hard Hat" Exhibition*, Galesburg Civic Art Center, Galesburg, IL
- 2021 *RSVP*, Lonnie Stewart Gallery, Galesburg, IL
- 2021 *Sit Up Straight*, Exhibit A Gallery, Peoria IL
- 2017 *Emergence: The National Arts of Central Illinois*, Peoria Riverfront Museum, Peoria IL
- 2017 *Local Inspiration*, Exhibit A Gallery, Peoria Heights, IL
- 2017 *Regional Exhibition*, Peoria Riverfront Museum, Peoria IL

2016 *Staying the Course*, Contemporary Art Center, Peoria IL

2016 *CAC Resident Artists*, Peoria Public Library Exhibition, Peoria IL

2016 *ARTexchange*, College Art Association 2016, Washington D.C.

2015 *When Birds Sleep*, Project 1612, Peoria, IL

2014 *Converging*, Speakeasy Art Center, Pekin, IL

2013 *Annual First United Methodist Exhibition*, starting in 1990, Peoria, IL

2012 *Vernissage*, Prairie Center for the Arts, Peoria, IL

2012 *CIAO and Friends Invitational*, Peoria Riverfront Museum, Peoria, IL

2010 **Two Women...Intuitive Truths*, Contemporary Art Center, Peoria, IL

2005 *Peoria Women in the Arts thru 1970*, Peoria Art Guild, Peoria, IL

2000 *Global Expressions 2000*, Freight House Exchange, El Paso, IL

2000 *She of a Thousand Names*, Peoria Art Guild, Peoria, IL

2000 **Chrysalis: Embracing the Past with Eyes to the Future*, Contemporary Art Center, Peoria, IL

2000 *Figuratively Speaking*, Phoenix Studios, Peoria, IL

2000 *The New Millennium Show: Illinois Women Artists*, Lakeview Museum, Peoria, IL

1998 *Meeting of the Minds II*, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL

1998 *Checkered Raven Artists: The Exhibition*, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL

1997 *Studio Open House and Show*, Contemporary Art Center, Peoria, IL

1996 *Birds in Art and The Birdhouse Invitational*, Lakeview Museum, Peoria, IL

1996 *Artists Who Teach: A Juried Invitational*, Western Illinois University, Macomb, IL

1995 *Shirlington Artist Guild*, Arlington, Virginia

1995 *Carving the Forces of Change*, Women's Caucus for Art, 25th Anniversary Show

1994 *Dialogues*, Peoria Art Guild, Peoria, IL

1994 *Hats, Helmets and Halos*, Gallery 510, Decatur, IL

1994 *Artemisia Gallery*, Juror, Faith Rineggold, Chicago, IL

1992 *Artists' Coalition of Central Illinois Member Show*, Peoria Civic Center

1991 *Figures 7*, Artworks Gallery, Peoria, IL

1991 *By the Seat of the Soul II*, Galesburg Civic Art Center, Galesburg, IL

1985 *Stadt*, Bodensee Museum, Sister City Art Museum, Friedrichshafen, West Germany

Professional Experience

- 2022 2022-2024 Peoria Sculpture Walk Juror, Peoria Art Guild, Peoria, IL
- 2016 Artist in Residence, Project 1612, Peoria, IL
- 2013 *Women Artists Panel Discussion: Then and Now*, Coordinator, Contemporary Art Center
 Peoria, IL
- 2012-2013 Learning Coordinator, Peoria Riverfront Museum, Peoria, IL
- 2007-20011 Class Manager, Lakeview Museum of Arts and Sciences, Peoria, IL
- 2007-2011 Instructor, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
- 2006-1989 Art Teacher, Pekin District #108, Pekin, IL
- 2005 People to People Cultural Art Education Conference, Beijing, China.
- 1989-1986 Art & Science Teacher, St. Mary's Grade School, Edwards, IL
- 1984-1985 Administrative Assistant, Peoria Art Guild, Peoria, IL
- 1979-1983 Art Instructor, Peoria Art Guild, Peoria, IL
- 1981-1982 Ceramics Instructor, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
- 1974 Art Teacher, St. Thomas Elementary School, Decatur, IL
- 1968-1971 6th grade/Art Teacher, Yankee Ridge Elementary School, Urbana, IL

Publications & Interviews

Illinois Women Artists Project Documentation, March, 2019.

Olli Study Group, Lecture and Interview, March, 2019.

Alexander Martin, *A Tender Offering: The Sculpture of Patricia Whalen Keck*, Sixty Inches From Center, 2019.

Jessica Bingham, *Central Illinois Studio Visit Artist Interviews*, project1612.com.

Zac Zetterberg, "Emergence," Peoria Riverfront Museum, 2017. Peoria, IL. (catalogue)

Peoria Journal Star, *Contemporary Art Center: 20 years of Creative Energy*, Peoria, IL.

CIAO & Friends Invitational: Works by Central Illinois Artists, artist portraits by Doug & Eileen Leuning, Peoria Riverfront Museum. (catalogue)

Channy Lyons, *Peoria Women Artists through 1970*, Wilde Press.

Channy Lyons and Stella O'Handon, *The Community Creativity Book*, Wilde Press.