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Selected Exhibitions:

- 2017** *Murphy Mark*, University of Minnesota, St. Paul, MN
Colette, Waseca Art Center, Waseca, MN
Sprouts, Minnesota Children's Museum, St. Paul, MN
Andrew Brother, Ridgewater College, Willmar, MN
Sunrise Drive, Ridgewater College, Hutchinson, MN
- 2016** *Save the Bees*, Minneapolis Center for Digital Art, Minneapolis, MN
MADE Garden, Children's Museum of Southern MN, Mankato, MN
Bee's Installation, Form and Content, Minneapolis, MN
Me Diet of Donuts and Dogs, South Central College, North Mankato MN
Tent Me Happy, Macy's Department Store, Minneapolis, MN
- 2015** *Boston Bee's*, Bethany Lutheran College, Mankato, MN
Murphy Migrations, Made Here, Minneapolis, MN
Murphy Midnight, Phipps Arts Center, Hudson, MN
Pastel Prairie, Hinge Artist Residency, Fergus Falls, MN
SAMME, University of Minnesota, St. Paul, MN
Macy's Flower Show, Macy's Department Store, Minneapolis, MN
- 2014** *Stitches*, Franklin Center for the Arts, Brainerd, MN
Teddy Bears and Teeth, Twin Rivers Council for the Arts, Mankato, MN
My Honey Home, Emerging Artists Grant Award Exhibition, 410 Project, Mankato, MN
Adjunct Professors Exhibition, Conkling Gallery, Minnesota State University,
Mankato, MN
- 2013** *D.I.Y Printing*, Minnesota Museum of American Art Project Space, St. Paul, MN
Sewing Socks (Public Installation), Verizon Wireless Center, Mankato, MN
- 2012** *Open Door 8, Juried Exhibition*, Rosalux Gallery, Minneapolis, MN
Artists Collecting Artists, Group Exhibition, Carnegie Art Center, Mankato, MN
Dislocated, Juried Exhibition, Barfly, Minneapolis, MN
VomDiaries, Collaborated Film Project, Exterior of 410 Project, Mankato, MN
Baking Breeds, A Girl's Best Friend, MacRostie Arts Center, Grand Rapids, MN
Can't Get a Date, Date a Dog, Thesis Exhibition, Conkling Gallery, Minnesota State University,

Education:

2014 - 2015 Non-profit Leadership Certificate Program, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN
2010 - 2012 Master of Arts -Printmaking, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN
2004 - 2009 Bachelors of Fine Art – Printmaking, Minnesota State University, Mankato MN

Professional Practice:

2016- Current Minnesota Citizen's for the Arts, Board Member
2016 – Current Minnesota State Arts Board, Artistic Evaluator
2016 – Current Minnesota State Arts Board, Grant Review Panelist
2016 - 2016 SOO Visual Art Center, Fundraising Internship, Minneapolis, MN
2016 - 2017 Volunteer Coordinator, Children Museum of Southern Minnesota, Mankato, MN
2015 – 2017 Key City Bike Board Member, Mankato, MN
2014 - Current Prairie Lakes Regional Arts Council Board Member
2014 – Current Adjunct Professor, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN
2012 - Current Executive Director – 410 Project, Mankato, MN
2012 - Current Youth Artistic Instructor – 410 Project, Mankato, MN
2009 -2011 Assistant Director – 410 Project, Mankato, MN

Residencies:

Teaching Artist in Residency, Minnesota Children's Museum, St. Paul, MN, 2017
MADE Garden, Youth Artistic Residency, Children's Museum of Southern MN, (Four Weeks) 2016
Mankato West High School, Teaching Printmaking, Installation, and Design (Two Weeks), 2015
Hinge Artist Residency (Four Weeks), Fergus Falls, MN, 2015

Grants:

Mid-Career Artist Grant, Prairie Lakes Regional Arts Council 2016
Small Arts Organization Grant, Prairie Lakes Regional Arts Council, 2016
Small Arts Organization Grant, Prairie Lakes Regional Arts Council, 2015
Emerging Artist Grant, Prairie Lakes Regional Arts Council, 2014
Small Arts Organization Grant, Prairie Lakes Regional Arts Council, 2013

Awards and Certificates:

Minnesota State University, Mankato's Woman of Courage and Vision Key Note Speaker 2017
YWCA Elizabeth Kearney Scholarship, 2015-2016
Art Educators of Minnesota "Distinguished Service Outside the Field" Recognition, 2015-2016
Mankato Free Press “Distinguish Women in Business” 2016
Joan Mitchell Foundation, Emerging Artist Grant Nominee, 2015
Pioneer's PBS Arts TV Program, Post Card, Selected Artist, 2015
Minnesota Monthly Magazine – Top Up and Coming MN Artists, January, 2015
YWCA Young Woman of Distinction Award, 2015
Minnesota State University, Mankato's Woman of Courage and Vision 2015
2013 Jefferson Good People Award, KEYC TV