

## **John Norman Martinek**

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### **Selected Exhibitions**

**Monumental Busts** – Solo Exhibition – University of Iowa Museum of Art First Friday Event, Film Scene, Iowa City, IA 2017

**Lingering Fragments** – Solo Exhibition – CSPS Commons Gallery, Cedar Rapids, IA 2015.

**Stress Fractures** – Solo Exhibition – Kirkwood Community College, Cedar Rapids, IA 2015.

**From Prague to Iowa City** – Solo Exhibition – Orchard Green, Iowa City, IA 2014.

**Drawings from Prague to Ljubljana** – Solo Exhibition – Textiles, Iowa City, IA 2013.

**Small Works Juried Exhibitions** – Chait Galleries, Iowa City 2011, 2012, 2013

**The Space Between** – a two person show with Greta Songe – U.S. Bank, Iowa City, IA 2011.

**Small Works Juried Exhibition** – Chait Galleries, Iowa City 2010 – Honorable Mention.

**The Figure Unveiled – A Juried Exhibit of Figurative Art** – South Gallery, Florida State College at Jacksonville, Jacksonville, FL 2010.

**\*Solo Show – *Recent Drawings*** – The Englert Theatre, Linda and Doug Paul Gallery, Iowa City, IA 2009.

**Group Show** - Arts Iowa City Members Show Exhibition - Iowa City, IA 2009.

**Small Works Juried Exhibition** - Chait Galleries, Iowa City, IA 2008.

**Selected Works** - Saints Rest Coffee, Grinnell, IA, 2008-2009.

**\*Solo Show** - Grinnell General Hospital, Grinnell, IA 2007.

**\*Solo Show - *Travelling to Grinnell*** – Grinnell Community Art Gallery, 2007.

**\*Solo Show** - Pioneer Room Gallery, Memorial Union, Iowa State University, Ames, IA 2005.

**\*Solo Show – *Recombinations*** - Arts Iowa City Gallery, Iowa City, IA 2004.

**Alumni Art Show** - exhibition of Grinnell High School alumni - Community Center, Grinnell, IA 2004.

**\*Solo Show** - William Penn University, Foyer Gallery, Oskaloosa, IA 2002.

**Printmaking Invitational** - Coe College, Marvin Cone Gallery, Cedar Rapids, IA 2001.

**National Invitational Show** - College of William and Mary, Andrews Art Gallery, Williamsburg, VA 2000.

**\*Solo Show - *Learning to Walk*** - Burling Library, Grinnell College, Grinnell, IA 1999.

**\* Solo Show** - The Baykus Gallery, Bursa, Turkey 1999.

**Foreign Voices** - A two person exhibition with Doug Russell- Cumhuriyet Kitap Kulubu, Istanbul, Turkey 1998.

**75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Turkish Republic Exhibition** - A group faculty show from Uludag, Hacettepe, Dokuz Eylul, and Marmara Universities, Tayyare Culture Center, Bursa, Turkey 1998.

**Violence** - An exhibition of eleven artists from Bursa, Tayyare Culture Center, Bursa, Turkey 1997.

**\*Solo Show** - Tayyare Culture Center, Bursa, Turkey 1997.

**Chaos** - An annual Turkish national juried exhibition, TUYAP Tepebasi Exhibition Hall, Istanbul, Turkey 1997.

**Uludag University Faculty Exhibition** - Orhangazi Belediye Exhibition Hall, Orhangazi, Turkey 1997.

**Two Person Show** - with Carlos Ferguson - Coe College, Cedar Rapids, IA 1996.

**MFA 95/96 Exhibition** - The University of Iowa Museum of Art, Iowa City, IA 1996.

**Prints and Drawings from the University of Iowa** - The University of Texas, Austin, TX 1996.

**Short Circuit Exhibition** - Coralville, IA 1995.

**Summer Show** - Campbell Steele Gallery, Marion, Iowa 1994.

**New Landscape** - A two person exhibition with Carlos Ferguson - Clapp Recital Hall, University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA 1994.

**\*New Still Life** - Drewelowe Gallery, University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA 1994.

**Winter Show** - Campbell Steele Gallery, Marion, Iowa 1994.

**Shared Space: A Two Person Exhibition** – with Doug Russell - Johnson County Arts Center, Iowa City, IA 1994.

**Old Brick Juried Art Exhibition** - University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA – 1993, 1994.

**Members Exhibition** - Arts Iowa City, Iowa City, IA – 1994.

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## **Professional Experience**

1986 –2016 - **Working Artist** - painter, printmaker, mixed media artist exhibiting nationally and internationally.

2010 and 2015 – **Collaboration** with performance and installation group Paintallica, Luther College, Decorah, Iowa (in 2010), and in Iowa City, Iowa (2015)

2010 - **Visiting Artist** – University of Wyoming, Laramie, WY

- presented demonstrations in trace monotype in two drawing classes and worked with students to produce trace monotypes from a live model
- discussed ink drawing techniques and showed a portfolio of ink drawings, worked with students in class on ink wash drawing techniques

- presented a public lecture on personal artwork ranging from 1988 to the present
- completed individual critiques with students

2010 – **Visiting Artist** – Florida State College at Jacksonville, Jacksonville, FL

- presented a viscosity monotype printmaking demonstration to printmaking students over two class periods and assisted with process and printing
- discussed personal paintings and presented a lecture about work with painting students

2008-2011 – **Collaborative Artist** – Tiny Circus, Grinnell, IA

- worked on several animations and assisted with performances and presentations
- attended and collaborated in making animated films at Citizen Jane Film Festival at Stephens College, Columbia, MO – 2009-2011.

1999 - **Visiting Instructor in Printmaking**, Grinnell College, Grinnell, IA.

- One Semester - Introduction to Printing Processes- etching, collagraph, monotype

1996 - 1999 **Instructor/Lecturer**, Uludag University, College of Education, Fine Arts Department, Bursa, Turkey.

- one semester - first year drawing
- four semesters - general printmaking - monotype, collagraph, relief
- one semester - second year painting and collage
- one semester - fourth year drawing
- all courses taught in Turkish
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1996 - 1999 **Instructor/Tutor**, Bursa, Turkey.

- private lessons given in drawing painting and collage.

1994 - **Visiting Artist**, Grinnell College, Grinnell, IA.

- presented a three hour demonstration of viscosity monotype printmaking techniques.
- discussed drawing problems and approaches in a figure drawing workshop.

## **Related Experience**

**Self-Employed** as a professional cabinetmaker and finish carpenter specializing in residential and commercial projects. Art related projects include work done for exhibitions at the University of Iowa Museum of Art and the Cedar Rapids Museum of Art.

**Translated** various art texts from English to Turkish, working with the Uludag University Painting and Printmaking faculty members to restructure the existing academic programs and curricula, 1998- 1999.

**Traveled** extensively throughout Turkey visiting archeological, historical and artistic sites. Independently studied the Turkish language, history, and culture, 1996-2008.

**Traveled** throughout Europe, parts of Africa and Asia. Visited eleven countries in total while compiling portfolio of drawings and prints, August to December 1995.

**Traveled** through Ghana, Burkina Faso, and Mali, summer of 1994.

**Attended** the Drake Print Symposium, Drake University, Des Moines IA, 1993.

**Affiliated** with Arts Iowa City, a community arts organization, Iowa City, IA 1992-1996, 2004-2010.

## **Education**

1996 – **MFA** – Printmaking/Drawing – The School of Art and Art History, The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA.

1995 – **MA** – Printmaking/Drawing – The School of Art and Art History, The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA.

- Attended Scuola Internazionale di Grafica Di Venezia, Venice, Italy, University of Iowa Summer Abroad Program in printmaking and drawing

1990 – **BA** – cum laude, Knox College, Galesburg, IL.

## Commissions

### **Print Edition**

- Hancher Auditorium, The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA.
- commissioned to edition a print of up to one-hundred copies for the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Hancher Auditorium by the Hancher Guild.

## Portfolios

### **Group Portfolio**

- A group portfolio of prints organized between faculty and students at Grinnell College and Colorado College. Spring 2000.

## Presentations, Lectures, and Publications

**Book Cover:** Illustration for the cover of *Ten Small Beds* by Kate Kasten, 2011.

**Lecture:** Presentation of Personal Work, University of Wyoming, 2010.

**Interview:** Iowa City Press Citizen, January 2004.

**Published Article:** "Two American Artists Abroad," *Art Calendar*, February 1999.  
- an article concerning living, working, and making art in Turkey.  
- co-authored with Douglas Russell.

**Lecture:** "What is a Print?" Presented to the Cekirge Art Group, Bursa, Turkey, 1998.  
- a presentation in Turkish concerning printmaking techniques and history.

**Published Poem:** "Decompression," *100 words*, a publication of the International Writers Program, The University of Iowa, March 1995.

**Lecture:** "Presentation of Recent Printwork," Iowa City Print and Drawing Study Club, Iowa City, IA, 1993.

## Awards and Honors

**National Julin Scholarship in Printmaking:** University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA – 1994.

**Leola Bergman Scholarship for Printmaking:** University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA – 1993.

**Fine Arts Council Grant:** The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA – 1993.

**First Prize in Painting:** Al Young Show, Knox College, Galesburg, IL – 1990.

**First Prize in Printmaking:** Al Young Show, Knox College, Galesburg, IL – 1990.

**Bertram W. Bennet Scholarship:** Knox College, Galesburg, IL – 1989.

**Second Prize in Printmaking:** Al Young Show, Knox College, Galesburg, IL- 1989.

## **Collections**

- Grinnell Regional Medical Center, Grinnell, IA
- Ramsey Weeks Insurance, Grinnell, IA
- Grinnell College, Grinnell, IA.
- University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA.
- Uludag University, Bursa, Turkey.
- Buttin International Conference Center, Bursa, Turkey.
- The Baykus Gallery, Bursa, Turkey.