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EDUCATION

2013

M.F.A. Fort Hays State University
Hays, Kansas

* Areas of Specialization: Painting, Drawing

2010

B.S. Black Hills State University

* Areas of Study: Fine Art and Commercial Art

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2015 – Present

Garden City Community College, Garden City KS

Courses taught: Drawing 1, Drawing 2, Oil Painting 1, Oil Painting 2, Oil Painting Projects, Watercolor 1, Printmaking 1, Printmaking 2, 2-D Design, Art Appreciation. Art Appreciation Hybrid, Art Appreciation Online.

2014 – 2015

Adjunct Instructor of Art

Fort Hays State University Hays, KS

courses taught: Introduction to Painting, 2-D Design, Drawing 1, Approaches to Creativity (Online)

2013

Full-time Instructor of Art (Sabbatical Replacement)

Fort Hays State University Hays, KS

courses taught: Drawing I, Figure Drawing, 2-D Design

2011 - 2013

Graduate Assistantship

Fort Hays State University Hays, KS

courses taught: Drawing 1, Drawing 2, Introduction to Painting,

2010

Teaching Assistant

Black Hills State University Spearfish, SD

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2017

Kansas Arts and Craftsmen Association Live Figure Painting Demonstration, and workshop, Bethany College, Lindsborg KS

“Fast Figures” Live Figure Painting Demonstration, workshop and Lecture, Colorado State University Pueblo, Pueblo CO

Art in the Park, Garden City KS

“Fast Figures” Live Figure Painting Demonstration, Garden City High School, Garden City KS

“Basics Charcoal Drawing” Demonstration, workshop and Lecture, Garden City Arts, Garden City KS

Garden City Arts Dios Los Muertos Festival, Committee Member, Garden City KS

Garden City Arts Board of Directors, Garden City KS

2016

Garden City High School Awards Exhibition, Lecturer and competition juror, Garden City Arts, Garden City KS

“Fast Figures” Live Figure Painting Demonstration, Deerfield High School, Deerfield KS

Garden City Arts Board of Directors, Garden City KS

Live Figure Painting Demonstration and Lecture, Yoshiro Ikeda Gallery, Kansas State University, Manhattan KS

Southwestern Kansas Scholastic Art & Writing competition juror, Liberal KS

“Fast Figures” Live Figure Painting Demonstration, Lakin High School, Lakin KS

2015

Live Figure Painting Demonstration and Lecture, Colby Community College, Colby KS

“Fast Figures” Live Figure Painting Demonstration, Holcomb High School, Holcomb KS

Hays Arts Councils Summer Youth Courses Coordinator, Hays KS

Live Figure Painting Demonstration and Lecture, Mercer Art Gallery, Garden City Community College, Garden City KS

Live Figure Painting Demonstration and Lecture, Schafer Art Gallery, Barton Community College, Great Bend KS

2014

Time's Fragmented Connections in Modern Art Lecture, Great Plains Art Institute, Sinte Gleska University, Mission, SD

“The Human Face and Form” Lecture, Presentation, Demonstration, Colby Community

College, Colby, KS

Mural Painter 9 x 36 ft. Tortuous Diorama Sternberg Museum of Natural History, Hays KS

2013

How Much Can We Control, award lecture Clayton Staples Gallery, Wichita State University Wichita, KS (juried by Robert Bulp)

2012

Mural Painter 40 x 30 ft. Fort Hays State University Foundations Hays, KS
2007-2010

Assistant Gallery Director

Ruddell Gallery Black Hills State University Spearfish, SD

2009

Gallery Intern

Spearfish Center for the Arts and Humanities Gallery Spearfish, SD

AWARDS AND HONORS

2017

Quick Draw Speed Painting Champion, Garden City Arts Annual Fundraiser, Garden City KS (Voted First Place)

2014

44th Annual Smoky Hill Art Competition, National Juried Exhibition, Runner Up Financial Award, Hays Arts Council Hays, KS (juried by, Sherry Leedy, Director and Curator of Sherry Leedy Contemporary Art, Kansas City, MO)

2013

Artist's Studio featured on Hyperallergic.com

2011-2013

Tuition Waiver Fort Hays State University Hays KS

2011-2013

Graduate Teaching Assistantship Fort Hays State University Hays, KS

2012

How Much Can We Control, National MFA Juried Exhibition, Top Financial Award, Clayton Staples Gallery Wichita State University Wichita KS (curated by Robert Bulp)

ROAR, Russell's Original Art Review, Second Place Professional Painting, Second & Third Place Professional Mixed Media Russell, KS

2011

42nd Annual Smoky Hill Art Competition, National Juried Exhibition, Top Financial Award, Hays Arts Council Hays, KS (juried by, Barbara O'Brien, Chief Curator Director of Exhibitions and Collections at the Kemper Museum of Contemporary, Kansas City, MO)

2010

ROAR, Russell's Original Art Review, Third Place Professional Mixed Media Russell, KS

Award of Excellence, Spearfish Center for the Arts and Humanities Winter Show
Spearfish, SD

2009

Third Place, Spearfish Center for the Arts and Humanities Winter Show Spearfish, SD

SELECTED EXHIBITION RECORD

(*Solo and two person exhibitions)

2017

**CoLab*, Baker Art Center, Liberal, KS
(Collaborative works with Brian McCallum, and Tara Dean)

**Imaginary Friends*, Lost Cabin Brewery, Rapid City SD

All Y'all Faculties, Garden City Arts, Garden City, KS

**Landscapes from Life*, Spearfish Creek Wine Bar Gallery, Spearfish SD

**Friends of Imaginary Landscapes*, Prairie Museum of Art and History, Colby KS

2016

Finding Balance, National Group Invitational Landscape Exhibition, Friendship Art
Gallery, McPherson College, McPherson KS (Curated by Joel T. Dugan)

**Garden City Community College Faculty Show*, Mercer Gallery, Garden City KS

* *Parallel Pedagogy*, Longwell Museum, Neosho Mo. (Demonstration, Workshop and
Lecture)

Garden City Arts Juried Members Show, Garden City Arts, Garden City KS

Artist Self Portrait Invitational, Birger Sandzen Memorial Gallery, Lindsborg, KS
(Invitational Exhibition)

**Recent Works*. Yoshiro Ikeda Gallery, Kansas State University, Manhattan KS

2015

**The Sky and I, Plein Air Paintings*, 5.4.7 Arts Center, Greensburg KS

Garden City Arts Juried Members Show, Garden City Arts, Garden City KS

Larger Than Life, Large Works Group Invitational, Hays Arts Councils 1010 Gallery,
Hays KS

Black Hills State University Alumni Exhibition, Ruddell Gallery Spearfish, SD

Finding Balance, National Group Invitational Landscape Exhibition, Kansas University
Art & Design Gallery, Lawrence KS (Curated by Joel T. Dugan)

FHSU Faculty Exhibition, Board of Regents Offices, Topeka KS

Finding Balance, National Group Invitational Landscape Exhibition, Schafer Art Gallery, Great Bend KS (Curated by Joel T. Dugan)

FHSU Interior Design ASID Student Chapter Exhibition, Moss-Thorns Gallery, Hays KS (Featured Artist)

Landscape, Quincy Fine Art Gallery, Saint Francis KS

FHSU Recent Painting Alumni, Mercer Art Gallery, Garden City Community College, Garden City KS

Finding Balance, National Group Invitational Landscape Exhibition, Hays Arts Council Hays, KS (Curated by Joel T. Dugan)

2014

Black Hills State University Alumni Exhibition, Ruddell Gallery Spearfish, SD

In the Open Air, Plein Air Painting Group, Marquette Arts, Marquette KS

Washington Pavilion National Juried Arts Show, Washington Pavilion Gallery A, Sioux Falls, SD (juried by John Rychtarik,)

Finding Balance, National Group Invitational Landscape Exhibition, Deines Cultural Center, Russell, KS (Curated by Joel T. Dugan)

In the Open Air, Plein Air Painting Group, Hays Public Library, Hays KS

45nd Annual Smoky Hill Art Competition, National Juried Exhibition, Hays Arts Council Hays, KS (juried by, Sherry Leedy, Director and Curator of Sherry Leedy Contemporary Art, Kansas City, MO) (award) (catalogue)

FHSU Painters Showcase, Carnegie Center for the Arts, Dodge City KS

* *Time's Fragmented Connections, Creative Arts Society's Community Out Reach, Thirsty*, Hays KS

Washington Pavilion Arts Night, Washington Pavilion Gallery A, Sioux Falls, SD

FHSU Faculty Show, Mercer Art Gallery, Garden City Community College, Garden City KS

**Double Fissions*, The Great Plains Art Institute at Sinte Gleska University, Mission SD (Two person exhibition, with Joel T Dugan)

2013

* *Time's Fragmented Connections*, Deines Cultural Center, Russell, KS

**Michael Kent Knutson*, Gallery Gray, Fenton, MI (online exhibition)

5x5, Tampa Museum of Art Tampa, FL

It's Not the Heat; It's the Humidity, St. Louis Artists Guild, St. Louis MO

* *Michael Kent Knutson*, Spearfish Arts Center, Spearfish SD

* *Masters of Fine Art Thesis Exhibition: To Transcend The Limits of Thought*, Moss Thorns Gallery, Fort Hays State University, Hays, KS (catalogue)

How Much Can We Control, Clayton Staples Gallery, Wichita State University Wichita, KS (award) (juried by Robert Bulp)

Contemporary Artists of South Dakota, Black Hills State University Ruddell Gallery Spearfish, SD (curated Dustin M. Price)

Figuration, Riney Art Gallery, Pratt Community College Pratt, KS (curator)

* *Plein Air Paintings*, The Robbins Center, Fort Hays State University Foundations Building Hays, KS

Prairie Landscapes, Riney Art Gallery, Pratt Community College Pratt, KS (curator)

2012

Historians in Our Own Minds, 19 Below Kansas City, MO (Collaboration with Trey Morgan)

Tinys & Tees, Hays Arts Council Hay, KS (curated by Gordon K. Sherman)

OPP, Neosho Community College Neosho, MO

43rd Annual Smoky Hill Art Competition, National Juried Exhibition, Hays Arts Council Hays, KS (curated Louis Copt)

Russell's Original Art Review, Russell, KS (award)

Monotypes and The Hype, 1010 gallery Hays, KS (curated by Gordon Sherman)

Black Hills State University Alumni Exhibition, Ruddell Gallery Spearfish, SD

Prescience of the Portrait, White Chocolate Hays, KS

Washington Pavilion Arts Night, Washington Pavilion Gallery A Sioux Falls, SD

January Blues, Dickinson State University Dickinson, ND (curated by Carol Eacret-Simmons)

2011

Reclaiming the Homestead, 1010 Gallery Hays, KS (curated by Joel T. Dugan)

Imaginary Friends, The Robbins Center Gallery Fort Hays State University Hays, KS

Black Hills State University Alumni Exhibition, Ruddell Gallery Spearfish, SD

Heavy Things & Paintings, 1010 gallery Hays, KS (curated by Toby Flores)

Russell's Original Art Review, Russell Russell, KS

Washington Pavilion Arts Night, Washington Pavilion Gallery A Sioux Falls, SD

42nd Annual Smoky Hill Art Competition, National Juried Exhibition, Hays Arts Council Hays, KS (juried by, Barbara O'Brien, Chief Curator Director of Exhibitions and Collections at the Kemper Museum of Contemporary, Kansas City, MO) (award) (catalogue)

Historians in Our Own Minds, Ruddell Gallery Black Hills State University Spearfish, SD (Collaboration with Trey Morgan)

Rebuilding Consumerism Instillation, 1010 gallery Hays, KS

2010

Experience and Enthusiasm: The Art of Fort Hays State University Faculty and Students, Mercer Gallery Garden City, KS

Russell's Original Art Review, Russell, KS (award)

Black Hills State University Alumni Exhibition, Ruddell Gallery Spearfish, SD

Washington Pavilion Arts Night, Washington Pavilion Gallery A Sioux Falls, SD

**Michael K. Knutson Recent Works*, Spearfish City Hall Gallery Spearfish, SD

Black Hills State University's Recent Graduates Show, Presidents Gallery Black Hills State University Spearfish, SD (curated by David Wilson)

Spearfish Arts Center Winter Juried Art Show, Matthews Opera House Spearfish, SD (award)

2009

Recycled Art Wear, Inez & Milton Shaver Gallery The Dahl Arts Center Rapid City, SD

Washington Pavilion Juried Statewide Student Art Show, Washington Pavilion, Sioux Falls, SD

Spearfish Arts Center Winter Juried Art Show, Matthews Opera House Spearfish, SD (award)

2007

Hello My Name Is..., Laura A. Sprague Gallery Joliet Junior College Joliet, IL 2007

CURATORIAL EXPERIENCE

2017

Garden City Community College Student Exhibition, Colby Community College, Colby KS

2013

Figuration, Riney Art Gallery, Pratt Community College Pratt, KS

2013

Prairie Landscapes, Riney Art Gallery, Pratt Community College Pratt, KS

MEMBERSHIPS

2015- Current

Garden City Arts Council

2011- Current

CAA - Collage Art Association

2011- 2015

Hays Arts Council

2011- Current

FATE – Foundations in Art: Theory and Education

PUBLICATIONS

2016

Faculty art exhibit on display at Mercer Gallery, The Garden City Telegram, Feb 19, 2016, Brett Riggs

2014

45nd Annual Smoky Hill Art Competition, National Juried Exhibition, Hays Arts Council Hays, KS (juried by, Sherry Leedy, Director and Curator of Sherry Leedy Contemporary Art, Kansas City, MO) (award) (Catalog)

2014

Giving Life to Art, Dodge City Daily Globe, March 28th, 2014, Nancy Calderon

2013

DCC Artists Speaks of Concepts Russell County News, June 5th, 2013, Albert Lin

2013

Masters of Fine Art Thesis Exhibition: To Transcend The Limits of Thought Moss Thorns Gallery, Fort Hays State University, Hays, KS Catalog*

2011

42nd Annual Smoky Hill Art Competition, National Juried Exhibition, Top Financial Award, Hays Arts Council Hays, KS (juried by, Barbara O'brien, Chief Curator Director of Exhibitions and Collections at the Kemper Museum of Contemporary, Kansas City, MO) Catalog

2006

Creative Quarterly, No.5, New York, National Arts Magazine