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Education

2020 Permaculture Design Certification, Cincinnati Permaculture Institute
2005 University of Cincinnati, Master of Fine Art, Summa Cum Laude
1990 College for Creative Studies, Bachelor of Fine Art, Summa Cum Laude
1986 Macomb College, Associate of Applied Arts, Summa Cum Laude

Experience

2000-present Associate Professor, University of Cincinnati (UC), Ohio
2017-present Resident Instructor, *Drawing as Mindfulness*, Manifest Drawing Center, Ohio
2004-present Co-Founder and Board Member, Manifest Creative Research Gallery & Drawing Center, a 501(c)(3) non-profit arts organization, Ohio
2000 Instructor, Art Center College of Design, California
2000-2001 Independent Production Set Designer within the Film Industry, California
1995 Instructor, Cleveland Institute of Art, Ohio
1990-2000 Senior Lead Creative Designer, General Motors (GM) Design Center, Michigan
1990-1999 Instructor, College for Creative Studies, Michigan
1989-1990 Creative Designer, Cars and Concepts Incorporated, Michigan
1988 Creative Designer, Prince Corporation, Michigan
1984-1986 Layout & Technical Illustration for Tank Manuals, Pioneer Engineering, Michigan

Exhibitions

2025 *Sinclair Community College Art Galleries 2025*, two-person, Dayton, Ohio (anticipated)
2024 *37th Annual McNeese National Works on Paper*, group, McNeese State University, Louisiana
2024 *Baker University National Exhibition*, group, Holt Russell Gallery, Kansas
2024 *Faculty and Emeriti Showcase Exhibition*, group, Reed Gallery, University of Cincinnati, Ohio
2023 *Instructors Exhibition*, group, group, Manifest Drawing Center, Cincinnati, Ohio
2022 *DAAP Faculty & Staff Exhibition*, group, Reed Gallery, University of Cincinnati, Ohio
2011 *Continuum of the Natural*, group, Passage Gallery, Cincinnati, Ohio
2011 *DAAP Faculty Show*, group, Reed Gallery, University of Cincinnati, Ohio
2011 *The Drawing League*, group, Centre College, Danville, Kentucky
2010 *Drawing League*, group, Fawick Gallery, Baldwin Wallace College, Berea, Ohio
2010 *DAAP Faculty Show*, group, Reed Gallery, University of Cincinnati, Ohio
2005 *Continuum, Drawings by Brigid O’Kane*, solo, Meyers Gallery, University of Cincinnati, Ohio
2005 *Prelude to Continuum*, solo, University of Cincinnati, Ohio
2004 *Drawings by Brigid O’Kane*, two-person, 840 Gallery, University of Cincinnati, Ohio
1998 *Get the Red Out*, group, Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center, Birmingham, Michigan
1990 *Creative Works Exhibition*, group, College of Creative Studies, Detroit, Michigan

Curated Exhibitions

Alumni Show: The More Things Change..., a co-curated exhibition at the Meyers Gallery, University of Cincinnati. October 21, 2010 - November 12, 2010
Urban Interventions, co-curated exhibition in the Reed Gallery in the College of Design, Architecture, Art, and Planning at the University of Cincinnati. January 14, 2010 - February 19, 2010

The Drawthrough Collection by Scott Robertson, co-curated exhibit, Manifest Creative Research Gallery & Drawing Center. December 2006 - January 2007

Trans and Transportation Design, curated exhibit at Manifest Creative Research Gallery and Drawing Center. November 11 - December 9, 2005

Workshops

Shaping the Future, 1-day workshop, University of Cincinnati, November 13, 2015

Drawing Strategies & the Principles of Visual Organization, 1-day workshop, Jianagnan University, China, 2013

Photography and Composition Workshop, 2 and 1-week workshops, University of Cincinnati, 2003, 2004, 2007, 2011, and 2012

Drawing Summer Camp, University of Cincinnati, June 26-27, 2012

Design Drawing: Types of Drawings and Integrated Processes, Presentation at Manifest Drawing Center during the Drawing Summer Camp, August 10, 2011

Drawing Summer Camp, University of Cincinnati, June 19-25, 2011

Workshop Week 2010, 1-week workshop, Artesis University College, Antwerpen, Belgium, February 1-5, 2010

Design Drawing Workshop and Advanced Design Drawing Workshop, 1 and 2-day workshops at Manifest Drawing Center, Cincinnati, Ohio. August 6, 2008 and August 11 & 13, 2008

Sketching Workshop, University of Cincinnati, February 6-8, 2003

Residencies | Presentations

Awarded Artist Residency at Art Center Padula, Italy, May 4-22, 2023

30 Presentations (17 National & 13 International, Germany, Belgium, Korea, Canada, China, India, Italy, Mexico, & Brazil)

Publications

18 Publications, (13 National & 5 International, China, Korea, Germany, & Canada)

Chapter titled *Building Bridges to New Realms* in the book titled *Design and Designing*

11 Published interviews

1 Book interview by Larry Edsall

1 Chapter titled *Brigid O'Kane* in a book by Constance Smith titled *The Women of General Motors, A Century of Art and Engineering*, 2022

Honors | Awards | Recognition

Special Dean's Recognition Award 2017, University of Cincinnati

Sabbatical Awarded for academic year 2016-2017, University of Cincinnati

DesignIntellegence national recognition for One of the 30 Most Admired Educators, 2014

Faculty Mentor Award, Partners for the Advancement of Collaborative Education (PACE), 2012-2013

Best Design Paper Presentation, Global Annual PACE Forum in Shanghai, China, July 26, 2012

Distinguished PACE Integrator Award for outstanding contributions, 2011

Special Recognition from graduating seniors for motivating, inspiring, and encouraging graduates, University of Cincinnati, 2006, 2007, and 2011

Best Design Paper, Global Annual PACE Forum, Seoul, Korea, 2010

Special Recognition from PACE for leading the Human Machine Interface Interactive Project, 2008-2009

Special Recognition Award for leading winning teams in a national sustainable competition, 2008-2009

Dean's Recognition Award for Outstanding Achievements as PACE Coordinator, University of Cincinnati,
October 19, 2007

Special Recognition Award as PACE Integrator, October 17, 2007

Best Design Paper Presentation, Global Annual PACE Forum, Technische University,
Darmstadt, Germany, July 26, 2007

Professor of the Year Award at the College of Design, Architecture, Art, and Planning,
University of Cincinnati, June 2007

Significant Contributions to the PACE Program Award for leading a winning team of interdisciplinary
students in a national PACE competition, 2006

Nominated for the Professor of the Year Award at the College of Design, Architecture, Art, and Planning,
University of Cincinnati, June 2006

Sabbatical Awarded from General Motors for 2000-2002

Award of Excellence from General Motors Technical Center, in recognition of achieving extraordinary
leadership accomplishments, 1998