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EDUCATION

2014 MFA | Painting | Northern Illinois University | DeKalb, IL
2010 BA | Studio Arts and Graphic Design | Lakeland University | Sheboygan, WI

SELECTED HONORS & AWARDS

2021 Juror's Choice Award | 46th Juried Annual Exhibition | Miller Art Museum | Sturgeon Bay, WI
2020 Second Place Award | Creating a New Whole | Center for the Visual Arts | Wausau, WI
2015 Juror's Award | Abstraction: Wisconsin Visual Artists Juried Exhibition | Frank Juarez Gallery | Sheboygan, WI
2014 Best of Show | 5th Anniversary Show | Water Street Studios | Batavia, IL

SELECTED EXHIBITIONS

2025 *And I Will Tell You Mine* | John Michael Kohler Arts Center | Sheboygan, WI
2024 *3rd Annual Painting Invitational* | Abel Contemporary Gallery | Stoughton, WI
Time and Space: A Survey of Artists-in-Residence | Peninsula School of Art | Fish Creek, WI
2023 *Yes, Yeh, Uh, Oh, Oy, Ai* | Portrait Society Gallery | Milwaukee, WI
Being: A Recognition of Self & Other | Rahr-West Art Museum | Manitowoc, WI
TMA Contemporary | Trout Museum of Art | Appleton, WI
Mythical Landscape: Secrets of the Vale | Knoxville Museum of Art | Knoxville, TN
2023 PERSPECTIVES | Thelma Sadoff Center for the Arts | Fond du Lac, WI
2022 *77th Rockford Midwest Biennial* | Rockford Art Museum | Rockford, IL
Digital / Analog | Peninsula School of Art | Fish Creek, WI
Breathing Spaces | Real Tinsel | Milwaukee, WI
2021 *46th Juried Annual Exhibition* | Miller Art Museum | Sturgeon Bay, WI
41st Annual SECURA Fine Arts Exhibition | Trout Museum of Art | Appleton, WI
Shelter Lures Me | Grove Gallery | Milwaukee, WI
2020 *45th Juried Annual Exhibition* | Miller Art Museum | Sturgeon Bay, WI
Creating a New Whole | Center for the Visual Arts | Wausau, WI | Juror: John Ready
Existing In Thought | Scout Gallery | Milwaukee, WI
Let Me Repeat Myself | Gallery 224 | Port Washington, WI
2019 *Indiana Green* | Cedarburg Cultural Center | Cedarburg, WI
Ear to the Ground | Ely Center of Contemporary Art | New Haven, CT | Juror: Julie Torres
2018 *Cut and Paste: The Art of Collage* | Union Art Gallery, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee | Milwaukee, WI
Boundaries (solo exhibition) | Frank Juarez Gallery | Milwaukee, WI
Small Works 2018 | Trestle Gallery | Brooklyn, NY | Juror: Sharon Loudon
Space is a Place | Var Gallery | Milwaukee, WI
2017 *Evolving Technique: Digital Fabrication in Fine Art and Design* | UNC | Greeley, CO
ONE: Juried Emerging Artist Exhibit | Cleve Carney Art Gallery | Glen Ellyn, IL
Together With | The Bubbler | Madison, WI (traveling exhibition)
Philip J. Steele Gallery (RMCAD) | Denver, CO
LESS GLOOM (solo exhibition) | Rockford University Art Gallery | Rockford, IL
2016 *Partly Heard Song* (solo exhibition) | The Draw | Appleton, WI

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- 2016 *Altered States of Collage* | San Fernando Valley Arts & Cultural Center | Tarzana, CA | Juror: Leslie Shows
Forward: A Survey of Wisconsin Art Now | Charles Allis Art Museum | Milwaukee, WI
Jurors: Brent Budsberg & Susan Barnett
How High | Left Field Gallery | San Luis Obispo, CA
New American Paintings: Midwest Edition | Elmhurst Art Museum | Elmhurst, IL
Living Rooms | Northern-Southern | Austin, TX
- 2015 *Bison Confetti Cake* | Var Gallery | Milwaukee, WI
Luminarts Visual Arts Competition | Union League Club | Chicago, IL
Materiality | Aurora Public Art Commission | Aurora, IL
- 2014 *5th Anniversary Show* | Water Street Studios | Batavia, IL | Juror: Monique Meloche
Ducks | Greenpoint Terminal Gallery | Brooklyn, NY
Escape Route (solo exhibition) | Gallery 214 | DeKalb, IL
De Composition | Allen Priebe Art Gallery | University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh | Juror: Laura Davis
Wisconsin Artists Biennial | Museum of Wisconsin Art | West Bend, WI
Juror: Molly Zuckerman-Hartung

RESIDENCIES

- 2025 ARTservancy - Huiras Lake | Gallery 224 | Port Washington, WI
2024 Grand Marais Art Colony | Grand Marais, MN
2023 John Michael Kohler Arts Center | Sheboygan, WI
Vermont Studio Center | Johnson, VT
Peninsula School of Art | Fish Creek, WI
2022 Collage Artist Residency: Scotland | MERZ Gallery | Sanquhar, Scotland
Peninsula School of Art | Fish Creek, WI
2019 Studio 224 | Port Washington, WI
2017 Frank Juarez Gallery | Milwaukee, WI
2016 Taleamor Park | LaPorte, IN
2015 Eastside International | Los Angeles, CA
Sheboygan North High School | Sheboygan, WI

SELECTED WORKSHOPS

- 2014 Collage Techniques One-Day Workshop | John Michael Kohler Arts Center | Sheboygan, WI

COLLECTIONS

- 2019 Saint Kate Arts Hotel | Milwaukee, WI
2016 Randall Frank Contemporary Art Collection | Virginia

SELECTED BIBLIOGRAPHY

- New American Paintings* | #173 Midwest Issue | 2025
Mythical Landscape & Folklore of the Upper Nithsdale | 2023
Fresh Paint Magazine | Issue #8 | July 2015
New American Paintings | #119 Midwest Issue | 2015
2014 Wisconsin Artists Biennial | Exhibition Catalogue | 2014

ORGANIZATIONS

- 2014-Present Wisconsin Visual Artists