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**Education**

**2009-2013, Northern Illinois University: DeKalb, IL.**

Graduate Study in Ceramics  
Master of Fine Arts, 2013

**2007-2009, New Mexico State University: Las Cruces, NM**

Graduate Study in Ceramics  
Master of Arts, 2009

**2006-2007, California State University: Bakersfield, Bakersfield, CA**

Post-Bachelorette Student: Independent Study in Ceramics  
Art Education Credential Program  
Certificate in Secondary Educational, 2007

**2000-2002, National Apostolic Bible College, Waukegan, IL**

Associates Degree in Theology and Ministry, 2002

**1998-2002, School of the Art Institute of Chicago: Chicago, IL**

Undergraduate Study in Studio Arts, Ceramics  
Bachelor of Fine Arts, 2002

**1994-1997, Alfred University; New York State College of Ceramics**

**School of Art & Design: Alfred, NY**  
Art Education, Studio Arts – Transfer

**1990-1994, Lake Forest High School, Lake Forest, IL.**

College Preparatory Education, Concentration in Art  
High School Diploma, 1994

**Teaching & Work  
Experience**

**2016-Current, Kishwaukee College, Malta, IL**

Ceramics Instructor  
Beginning, intermediate, Advanced and Independent Study.

**2016-Current, The Fine Line Creative Arts Center, St Charles, IL**

Ceramics Instructor  
Alternative Surfacing Techniques, Beginning and Intermediate Wheel Throwing, By the Hand and By the Wheel

**2014-2015, Jungman Elementary School, Pilsen, IL**

ElevArte Teaching Artist Residency Program  
Teaching Ceramics to At Risk Elementary Students

**2012-2016, Mayslake Village: Oak Brook, IL**

Ceramics Instructor  
Studio Manager

**2014, 2015 Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL**

Outward Bound Program, Summer

Pottery Instructor to At Risk High School Students

**2009-2012, Northern Illinois University: DeKalb, IL.**

Beginning and Intermediate Ceramics Instructor (Teacher of Record)

Graduate Assistant, Kiln Firing Technician

Teaching Assistant, Beginning Ceramics and Intermediate Ceramics

Kiln Technician

Studio Manager; Glaze Lab, Slip Casting area, Clay Mixing

**2007-2009, New Mexico State University: Las Cruces, NM**

Beginning and Intermediate Ceramics Instructor (Teacher of Record)

Graduate Assistant, Kiln Firing and Studio Technician

Teaching Assistant, Beginning Ceramics

Teaching Assistant Tile Workshop Ceramics Class

Kiln Technician

Studio Manager; Glaze Lab, Slip Casting area, Clay Mixing

**2002-2007, Kern High School District: Bakersfield, CA**

High School Ceramics Teacher

**2000-2002, Vernon Hills High School: Vernon Hills, IL**

Adult Education Ceramic Instructor

**1998-2000, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL.**

Kiln Technician

Studio Manager; Glaze Lab, Slip Casting area, Clay Mixing

**1997-1999, Highland Park, Park District, Highland Park, IL.**

Ceramics Instructor

Studio Manager, Kiln Technician

Studio Manager; Glaze Lab, Slip Casting area, Clay Mixing

**Organizations/  
Conferences Attended**

2016, International Wood Firing Conference, Sugar Grove, IL  
Waubensee Community College

Current, National Art Educators Association (NEAE), Member and Conference attendee  
2016, Chicago, IL

2014-Current, College Art Association (CAA), Member

National Council on Education for the Ceramic Arts (NCECA) Member and Conference  
Attendee

2010, Philadelphia, PA

1996, Rochester, NY

**Collections**

**Dr. Powers**

El Paso, TX

PreColumbian Figure Sculpture, 2009

**Mr. & Mrs. Sharman**  
Lake Bluff, IL  
Thrown & Altered Vessels, 2009

**Mr. & Mrs Jesse Orozco**  
Oklahoma City, OK  
“M” Handled Vessel, 2009

**Mary Lawbaugh Collection**  
Tulsa, OK  
Spiked Vessel, 2008

**Xiem Clay Center**  
Pasadena, CA  
Thrown & Altered Pouring Vessel, 2006

**Mr. & Mrs George Bernabe**  
Phoenix, AZ  
Pouring Vessel, 2002

**Mr. & Mrs. Jake Peters**  
Lake Forest, IL  
Compound Vessel, 2000

## Publications

**Dekalb Daily Chronicle**  
DeKalb, IL  
Art Walk, 2016

**Borders University Newspaper**  
NMSU Weekly Newspaper  
2009

**Las Cruces, Chronicle Newspaper**  
Las Cruces, NM  
2009

**Mas Magazine**  
Bakersfield, CA  
Local Latino Magazine  
2006

**School of the Art Institute of Chicago**  
School Catalog  
“Dys-Functional Teapot”  
2002

## Professional Presentations

**The Fine Line Creative Arts Center, St Charles, Illinois**  
Throwing and Hand-building Demonstration 2016

**ClaySpace Ceramics Center**, Lisle, Illinois  
Throwing and Handbuilding Demonstration 2012, 2013

**Northern Illinois University**, DeKalb, IL  
Pattern Pieces Vessel Construction Demonstration, 2009  
Slab Building Workshop, 2010  
Various Building Techniques, 2011

**New Mexico State University**, Las Cruces, NM  
Pattern Pieces Vessel Construction Demonstration, 2007-2009

**California State University @ Bakersfield**, Bakersfield, CA  
Vessel Construction Demonstration, 2007

**Vernon Hills High School**, Vernon Hills, IL  
Vessel Construction Demonstration, 2002

### Art Shows

**2016, The Fine Arts Faculty Show**, Malta, IL  
Kishwaukee College, Fine Art Gallery

**2015, The Fine Line Creative Arts Center**, St. Charles, IL  
Indulgence

**2013, 2014, 2015 Mayslake Village**, Oak Brook, IL  
Mayslake Village Annual Art Show  
Frigo Hall

**2013, Northern Illinois University**, Lisle, IL  
Master of Fine Arts Graduate Exhibition  
Olson Gallery

**2013, National Museum of Mexican Art**, Chicago, IL  
Dia de Los Muertos XXV

**2012, Clay3 Ceramics Exhibition**, Lisle, IL  
ClaySpace Ceramics Center

**2010, Water Street Studios**, Batavia, IL  
The Figure As It is Envisioned

**2009, 2010, 2011 Northern Illinois University**, Dekalb, IL  
Group exhibition of NIU graduate art students.  
Pleasant Street Gallery

**2010, NCECA Regional Student Juried Exhibition**, Philadelphia, PA  
NCECA Conference

**2009, New Mexico State University**, Las Cruces, NM  
Master of Arts Thesis Show  
Pre-Columbian Inspired Sculptures

**2009, New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM**

Group exhibition of NMSU art students

Ceramic Pattern Creatures

Friends of New Mexico State Art Award

**2008, New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM**

Group exhibition of NMSU art students.

Mary Lawbaugh Purchase Art Award

**2006, California State University Bakersfield, Bakersfield, CA**

Group exhibition of CSUB art students. "DYS-Functional Teapots"

**2002, Bachelor of Fine Arts, Chicago, IL**

Solo Exhibition "DYS-Functional Teapots & Tea Bowls"

Gallery 2 (G2) School of Art Institute of Chicago

**1999, Ceramic Department Show, Chicago, IL**

Group Exhibition, "Crazy Ewers!"

Ceramic Department Gallery. School of the Art Institute of Chicago

**1998, College of Lake County, Grayslake, IL**

Quilts and Teapot Show: "Two Wood-Fired Teapots."

College of Lake County Library.

**1996, Alfred University: New York State College of Ceramics, Alfred, NY**

Ceramic Show: "Pitcher and More Pitchers."

Fosdick-Nelson Gallery

Sophomore Art Award

**1995, Alfred University: New York State College of Ceramics, Alfred, NY**

Freshman Foundation Summer Show: "Self Portrait: Painting of Me."

Fosdick-Nelson Gallery

## **References:**

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