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## Education

2013 MFA Photography Northern Illinois University  
2007 BAA Art: 2D Central Michigan University  
2011 -- Printmaking Santa Reparata International School of Art, Florence, Italy -  
Summer Course

## Professional Experience

April 2015 - Present *Owner: Hot Shoe Printing and Photography, Chicago, IL*  
Sole owner of digital printing and photography business that offers high quality and archival digital printing, large format output, scanning, retouching, and photography services.

June 2014 – Present *Framer and Digital Printer: Therieau Art and Frame, Chicago, IL*  
All aspects of framing are done by hand, responsible for framing, mat cutting, assisting customers, maintaining the sales logs

June 2014 – May 2015 *LemonBrat, Chicago, IL*  
Custom costume company, tasks included hand sewing, stuffing custom sewn items, gluing final details, maintaining stock, cutting fabric from patterns, assembling final products

August 2013 - July 2014 *Photography Instructor at Aurora University, Aurora, IL*  
Instructor for Introduction to Digital Photography  
Teach the students Photoshop and RAW processing, digital printing, photography basics and fundamentals, photo history, basic lighting

August 2013 - July 2014 *Photography Instructor: Waubensee Community College, Sugar Grove, IL*  
Instructor for Introduction to Digital Photography  
Teach the students Photoshop and RAW processing, digital printing, photography basics and fundamentals, photo history, basic lighting

Fall/Winter 2013 *Internship with Commercial/Editorial Photographer Lisa Predko, Chicago, IL*  
Assistant on photoshoots (studio and on-location), set up lighting

equipment, help with pre-edit of images through Capture One, assist with initial editing of digital images, studio management, client services, etc.

- March 2012 – Present      *Photographer/Team Captain for Grad Images, Chicago Area*  
Photographer for graduation ceremonies  
Responsible for company provided photo equipment and to direct students quickly during the ceremony to ensure regularity between shots.  
As Team Captain: Responsible for contacting client, directing and at times training photographers, setting up shots prior to ceremony, uploading photographs through company software, and mailing job bag with necessary materials.
- Summer 2013      *Belvoir Terrace in Lenox, MA*  
Responsible for teaching digital photography courses as well as a section of creative writing. Responsible for content of classes, ordering supplies, studio setup and maintenance, relief counselor, and other essential tasks.
- 2012 - 2013      *Teacher of Record at Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL*  
Spring 2012: Introduction to Photography - Digital  
Fall 2012: Advanced Photographic Media - “Theory in Practice”  
Spring 2013: Introduction to Darkroom Photography
- 2010 - 2013      *Graduate Assistant at Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL*  
Responsible for running the digital and traditional photo labs  
Teaching Assistant for Beginning, Intermediate, Advanced Photography
- 2008 - 2009      *Partial owner of Our Gallery in Detroit, MI*  
Co-op gallery space, responsible for arranging and hanging show
- 2006 - 2007      *Darkroom Lab Monitor*  
Responsible for maintaining all functions of the darkroom
- February 2007      *Art Handler for “Analog to Digital: Evolution or Revolution?”*  
Framed and presented work of Shana Parke Harrison,  
Kelli Connell, Pedro Meyer, Lourdes Almeda

## **Grants/Fellowships/Scholarships/Awards**

- May 2013      *Emerge Fellowship Award – Cash Award*  
Midwest Center for Photography, Wichita, KS
- November 2012      *Regional Juried Exhibition IX, Freeport Art Museum, Freeport, IL*  
Honorable Mention

PHOTO/Arts Magazine, *Self-Contained*  
Second Place – Cash Award

- April 2012            Juror Prize – Cash Award  
University of Wisconsin Oshkosh: Allen Priebe Gallery –  
*Semiotic Biotic*. Juror: Michelle Grabner
- Summer 2012        Anderson Ranch Brookes Scholarship  
Photogravure Workshop with Lothar Osterberg
- Fall 2010 –  
Spring 2013        University Graduate Assistantship - renewable full tuition waiver
- 2007                 Brass Ring Award, Oklahoma Christian University  
1<sup>st</sup> Place Black and White: “Four Horsemen: War”
- 2007                 Student Creative and Research Endeavors Grant  
Central Michigan University

## **Exhibition Record**

2015    *Works On Paper: ‘Disclosure’ – Solo Show*, Sinclair Community College, Dayton, OH

2014    *LACDA 2014 “Top 40” Juried Competition*, Los Angeles Center for Digital Art, CA  
Jurors: Joanna Szupinska-Myers, Curator of Exhibitions at the California Museum of  
Photography and Ryan Linko, L.A. County Museum of Art

*Filter: The Enigmatic Object*, Johalla Projects, Chicago, IL  
Jurors: Kyohei Abe, Director of the Detroit Center for Contemporary Photography and  
Caroline Picard

*One By One*, Colorado Photographic Arts Center, Denver, CO  
Juror: Eric Paddock, Curator of Photography at the Denver Art Museum

*Kitsch-In*, Root Division, San Francisco, CA

*Annual Art Faculty Exhibition*, Waubensee Community College, Sugar Grove, IL

2013    *PPAC’s 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Contemporary Photography Competition and Exhibition*,  
The Philadelphia Photo Arts Center, Philadelphia, PA  
Jurors: Lesley Martin, Andy Adams

*The Kinsey Institute Juried Art Show 2013*, Grunwald Gallery of Art, Indiana University,  
Bloomington, IN

*19<sup>th</sup> Juried Exhibition*, Griffin Museum of Photography, Winchester, MA  
Jurors: Kathy Ryan

*Midwest Photo Emerge*, Midwest Center for Photography, Wichita, KS  
Juror: Linda Robinson

*Camera USA: National Photography Award*, The VonLiebig Art Center, Naples, FL  
Juror: Harry Benson

*Draw More*, New Image Gallery, James Madison University, Harrisonburg, VA

*Las Manos Photography Show*, Las Manos Gallery, Chicago, IL

*Disclosure: MFA Solo Show*, Gallery 214, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL

2012 *2012 Rockford Midwestern Biennial*, Rockford Museum of Art, Rockford, IL  
Juror: Lisa Stone

*Regional Juried Exhibition IX*, Freeport Art Museum, Freeport, IL

*Semiotic Biotic*, Allen Priebe Gallery, University of Wisconsin Oshkosh, WI  
Juror: Michelle Grabner

*Spinning Yarns*, Black Box Gallery, Portland, OR

*Third Coast National*, KSpace Contemporary, Corpus Cristi, TX

*Paperworks*, DC3 Accelerator Gallery, Detroit, MI

*Miscommunication and the Human Condition*, Industria Studios, Tucson, AZ

*(B + W) Exhibition*, Tejas Gallery, Dayton, OH

*Poetic Still Life*, The Photo Place Gallery, Middlebury, VT

*Juried Graduate Show*, Jack Olsen Gallery, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL

*2012 Annual Juried BlickArt Materials Ars Nova Exhibition*, Jack Olsen Gallery,  
Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL

2011 *Juried Graduate Show*, Jack Olsen Gallery, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL

*Graduate Arts Association Student Show*, Bad Dog Gallery, DeKalb, IL

*Line v. Line*, Two Person Show, Affirmations Gallery, Ferndale, MI

- Emerging Artists Show*, Morpho Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2010 *20 Hors D'oeuvres: Graduate Student Show*, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL  
*Annual Silver Medal Show*, The Scarab Club, Detroit, MI
- The Vagina Show*, Trumbullplex, Detroit, MI
- 2009 *Remnants of Technology*, 555 Gallery, Detroit, MI
- 2008 *Annual Photography Show*, The Scarab Club, Detroit, MI
- 2007 *30 Years: Birthday Show*, UICA Gallery, Grand Rapids, MI  
Part of art collective called "The Birthday Presence"
- Annual Juried Student Art Show*, Central Michigan University, Mt. Pleasant, MI
- Student Creative & Research Endeavors*, Central Michigan University, Mt. Pleasant, MI
- 2006 *Student Art League Juried Student Show*, Central Michigan University, Mt. Pleasant, MI
- Annual Juried Student Art Show*, Central Michigan University, Mt. Pleasant, MI
- Annual Photo Club Art Show*, Mt. Pleasant, MI
- 2005 *Student Art League Juried Show*, Central Michigan University, Mt. Pleasant, MI

## **Print Publications**

- 2013 *International Photography Annual 2*, Manifest Gallery, Cincinnati, OH
- Self-Contained Show Catalog*, PHOTO/Arts Magazine
- 2012 *2012: Best of College & High School Photography sponsored by Nikon*  
College Finalist
- Poetic Still Life: Show Catalog*  
The Photo Place, Middlebury, VT
- Regional Juried Exhibition IX: Cover of Show Announcement*  
Freeport Art Museum, Freeport, IL
- 2007 Photograph: "Playing House"  
*The Albion Review: National Undergraduate Journal*

“Angry Women in Medieval Literature”  
*The Isabella Literary Review*, April 2007

## Digital Publications

- 2014 *2014 San Francisco International Photography Competition*: Silver Medal Award
- 2013 *Patternbase*, Featured Artist  
*MakeSpace*, Featured Artist
- 2012 *Still Life: The Art of Arrangement*, The Kiernan Gallery, Lexington, VA  
*Self-Contained*, PHOTO/Arts Magazine

## Conferences

- October 2013 MidWest Society for Photographic Educators Conference, Lincoln, Nebraska  
Artist Presentation: *Disclosure*
- October 2012 Midwest Popular Culture Association Conference, Columbus, Ohio  
Panel Chair: Courtney Barko, Paper: “Pliable Reality and the Responsibilities of the Photographer”
- October 2012 Mid-America College Art Association Conference, Wayne State University, Detroit, MI. Panel: *Post-Photographic Forms, Mutations and Hybrids*, Panel Chair: Min Kim Park, Paper: “Pliable Reality and the Responsibilities of the Photographer”
- March 2012 Graduate Student Research Association Conference, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL. Artistry and Research Presentation.
- October 2011 Midwest Popular Culture Association Conference, Milwaukee, Wisconsin  
Panel: *Interpreting Embedded Messages in Painting and Photography*,  
Panel Chair: Courtney Barko, Paper: “Photographic Realities”

## Visiting Artist Lecture/Public Talks

- 2014 Projector Poetry: Artist Talks – Cobalt Studios, Chicago, IL
- 2013 “Photography – Just As It Is: Three Artists from the 9<sup>th</sup> Regional Juried Exhibition Discuss the Intrigue of the Banal or Mundane”, Freeport Art Museum, Freeport, IL

2012 Central Michigan University, Mt. Pleasant, MI

## **Curatorial**

2012 *Kamelian Student Poetry and Art Magazine*, Kishwaukee Community College  
DeKalb, IL

2010 *Advanced Placement Art Show*, Avondale High School, Auburn Hills, MI