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BORN:	San Antonio, Texas	1942
RESIDES:	Houston, Texas	1971
EDUCATION:	The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, Texas - B.F.A.	1961 -1964
	The University of Southern California, Los Angeles, California M.F.A.	1968 -1970
TEACHING:	Glassell School of Art, The Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, Texas	1971 -1998
DOCUMENTARIES:	Thirty minute documentary awarded by Houston's National Educational Television Station (Channel 8, KUHT) entitled, <i>Actual Yardage Gained</i>	1976
	Twenty minute film in conjunction with The Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, exhibition entitled <i>Studio</i>	1977
	One hour documentary by Professor Jay McHale, Associate Professor of English, Salem State College, Salem, MA entitled <i>Kerouac Commemorative Dedication</i>	1988
	Eleven minute documentary by Houston's Public Television Station (Channel 8, KUHT) entitled <i>Sculpture on the Green</i>	1994
COMMISSIONS:	<i>Jack Kerouac Commemorative</i> , Eastern Canal Park, Lowell, Massachusetts	1988
	<i>Erett F. Lowry Commemorative</i> , Texas City, Texas	1990
	<i>Time Line</i> , Bush Intercontinental Airport, "Terminal E", Houston, Texas	2005
	<i>Kinkaid School Centennial Sculpture</i> , Kinkaid School, Houston, Texas	2005
EXHIBITS:		
	2022 <i>The Box An Invitational Exhibition Honoring Geri Hooks</i> , Hooks Epstein Gallery, Houston, Texas	
	2021 <i>Salmon Sculpture Competition in Memory of Pam Salmon</i> , Sunken Garden Park, San Angelo, Texas	
	2019 <i>Ben Woitena: Nature of the Sublime</i> , Arts Council of Midland, Midland, Texas (solo exhibition)	
	2018 <i>"33^d Annual International Exhibition</i> , Meadows Gallery, University of Texas at Tyler, Texas <i>Beyond Narrative: Variations Set Free From A Theme</i> , College of the Mainland Art Gallery, Texas City, Texas. Solo Exhibition	
	2017 "Profusion in the Void", TSG juried exhibition, Artspace111, 111 Hampton Street, Fort Worth, Texas	
	2016 <i>Texas 12</i> , Texas Sculpture Group, The Arts Center Texas Gallery, College Station, Texas. Curator: Alison de Lima Greene, Isabel Brown Wilson Curator Modern and Contemporary Art, The Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, Texas <i>GRB IS GREEN</i> , Houston First Corporation, commission for the George R. Brown Convention Center, Houston, Texas <i>Sculpture Month Houston</i> , ¼ <i>Time</i> sculpture in Memorial Park, Houston utilized as logo for Sculpture Month exhibitions. <i>Site Gallery Houston</i> , Sculptor Month Houston, The Silos at Sayer Yards, Houston, Texas <i>Above and Below</i> , <i>Sculpture Month Houston</i> , <i>Decorative Center</i> , Houston, Texas <i>Space Garden</i> , Art Scan Gallery, Houston, Texas	
	2015 <i>The Lyricism of Ben Woitena, Selected works in wood, steel and stone</i> , January 6 - June 1, 2015, Heritage Plaza Lobby, Houston, Texas West Texas Triangle artist 2015 exhibiting at the Museum of the Southwest in Midland, Ellen Noël Art Museum in Odessa, the Grace Museum in Abilene, Old Jail Art Center in Albany, and the San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts in San Angelo, Texas <i>Amplified Abstraction</i> , El Paso Museum of Art, El Paso, Texas <i>AMOA Biennial-600 SCULPTURE</i> , Amarillo Museum of Art, Amarillo, Texas <i>Ben Woitena</i> , Solo exhibition Hooks Epstein Galleries, Houston, Texas	
	2014 <i>Third Annual Richard and Pam Salmon Sculpture Competition</i> , Sunken Garden Park, San Angelo, Texas Texas A & M University, Islander Gallery, Corpus Christi, Texas	

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Resume**

- A Panoramic View*, Lawndale Art Center, Houston, Texas
Another Layover: Selections from the Portable Works Collection, Houston Arts Alliance – Alliance Gallery, Houston, Texas
In Space: Member Exhibit, Texas Sculpture Group, Dougherty Art Center, Austin, Texas
Art on the Green, 2014 Sculpture Invitational, Kemp Center for the Arts, Wichita Falls, Texas
- 2013** *Second Annual Richard and Pam Salmon Sculpture Competition*, Sunken Garden Park, San Angelo, Texas (Awarded First Place)
 OPAL: Downtown Tyler Outdoor Public Art on Loan Program, City of Tyler, Texas
Florida Outdoor Sculpture Competition 2013, Polk Museum of Art and cities of Winter Haven and Lakeland, Florida
 Tenth annual *Art in the Garden*, San Antonio Botanical Garden, San Antonio, TX
- 2012** *2012-2013 Chicago Parks District, Chicago Sculpture International Exhibition*, Chicago, Illinois
Odyssey 2012-2013 Exhibition, Purdue University North Central Campus, Westville, Indiana
- 2011** *2011 Texas Sculpture Symposium*, University of Texas, Tyler, Texas
- 2010** *Point Counter Point*, Solo exhibition, San Jacinto College (south campus), Houston, Texas
2010-2011 Outdoor Sculpture Exhibition, Center for Contemporary Arts (CCA), 220 Cypress Street, Abilene, Texas
- 2009** *Seventh Annual Sculptors Dominion Invitational 2009*, Outdoor Gallery and Sculpture Garden Exhibit, Large to Monumental Scale Sculpture, San Antonio, Texas
 Mid-South Sculpture Alliance, *Conference 2009 Inside*, Chattanooga, Tennessee
- 2008**: *Ben Woitena: A Retrospective 1963-2008*, Umlauf Sculpture Garden & Museum, Austin, Texas
A Prognosis of Death, The Coburn Art Gallery, Ashland University, Ashland, Ohio
2008 Art in the Park, Arts Assembly of Midland, Windlands Park large scale sculpture exhibition, Midland, Texas
- 2007**: *Justice for All?: Artists Reflect on the Death Penalty*, M2 Gallery, Houston, Texas
Fifth Annual Sculptors Dominion Invitational 2007, Outdoor Gallery and Sculpture Garden Exhibit, Large to Monumental Scale Sculpture, San Antonio, Texas
Metal Art, Foundry Art Centre, St. Charles, Missouri 63301
2007 Waco National Outdoor Sculpture Invitational, Waco, Texas
Texas Uprising 2007, Blue Star Contemporary Art Center, Sunset Station, San Antonio, Texas
Sculpture Invasion, Koehline Museum of Art, Oakton Community College, Des Plaines, Illinois
2007 Texas Sculpture Symposium, Texas State University, San Marcos, Texas
- 2006**: *A Southern Presence*, Lexington Art League, Lexington, Kentucky
Justice for All?: Artists Reflect on the Death Penalty, Gallery Lombardi, Austin, Texas
Fourth Annual Sculptors Dominion Invitational 2006, Outdoor Gallery and Sculpture Garden Exhibit, Large to Monumental Scale Sculpture, San Antonio, Texas
Miniature Art, 22 Annual Exhibition, Council for the Arts, Chambersburg, PA
- 2005**: *Third Annual Sculptors Dominion Invitational 2005*, Outdoor Gallery and Sculpture Garden Exhibit, Large to Monumental Scale Sculpture, San Antonio, Texas
Navy Pier Walk 2005, Navy Pier, Chicago, Illinois
- 2004**: *Texas Uprising*, Indoor & Outdoor Sculpture, Blue Star Contemporary Art Center and Sunset Station, San Antonio, Texas
Second Annual Sculptors Dominion Invitational 2004, Outdoor Gallery and Sculpture Garden Exhibit, Large to Monumental Scale Sculpture, San Antonio, Texas
38th Annual National Drawing and Small Sculpture Show, Del Mar College, Corpus Christi, Texas
- 2003**: Avenue Community Development Corporation *Seventh Annual Art on the Avenue*, Winter Street Art Space, Houston, Texas
38 for XXXIII, Reliant Energy Plaza, Houston, Texas

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2002: *Pier Walk Maquette Exhibition*, Field Museum, Chicago, Illinois
Synthesis, Richard Stout and Ben Woitena, Longview Museum of Fine Arts, Longview, Tx
Pier Walk 2002, Navy Pier, Chicago, Illinois
North Carolina Outdoor Sculpture Exhibition, Greensboro, North Carolina
Pier Walk Maquette Exhibition, Southwestern Illinois University, William and Florence Schmidt Art Center, Illinois

2001: *Texas Best! Sculptors on Sculpture*, 2000 Lecture Series, January 24, 2001, Umlauf Sculpture Garden and Museum, Austin, Texas
Pier Walk 2000 Maquette Exhibition, James R. Thompson Center, Chicago, Illinois
Ben Woitena, Sculpture and Drawings, San Antonio College, Visual Arts Center Gallery, San Antonio, Texas
Robert Tiemann, Paintings and Ben Woitena, Sculpture and Drawings, Joan Grona Gallery, San Antonio, Texas
Pier Walk 2001, Navy Pier, Chicago, Illinois
The 41st Annual Invitational Awards, Sculpture, Longview Museum of Fine Arts, Longview, Texas

2000: *Pier Walk 2000 Maquette Exhibition*, James R. Thompson Center, Chicago, Illinois
Texas A & M University Art in Public Places Program organized by the Arts Council of Brazos Valley, City of Bryan Municipal Building, Bryan, Texas
34th Annual National Drawing and Small Sculpture Show, Del Mar College, Corpus Christi, Texas
Journey: Sculpture 2000, Large out door sculpture exhibition conceived and curated by Ben Woitena to coincide with the 18th International Sculpture Conference, *Houston Sculpture 2000*, sponsored by the International Sculpture Conference, Houston, Texas
Pier Walk 2000, Navy Pier, Chicago, Illinois
Life & Death: Sculpture Court, Art League of Houston, Houston, Texas
Go Figure, Houston Sculpture 2000, Group exhibition of area sculptors, Louisiana Place, Houston, Texas
Oakton Community College exhibition of large scale sculpture entitled *Around Midnight*, Des Plaines, Illinois

**COLLECTIONS:
(selected)**

The Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, Texas
San Antonio Museum of Art, San Antonio, Texas
City of Houston, Memorial Park, Houston, Texas
Trammell Crow Company, Irving, Texas
Brown and Root, Inc., Houston, Texas
Chevron Chemical Company, Houston, Texas
City of Houston, Houston Police Department: Wellness Center, Houston, Texas
City of Texas City, City Hall, Texas City, Texas
Eastern Canal Park, Lowell, Massachusetts
The Woodlands Corporation, The Woodlands, Texas
Enron Corp., Houston, Texas
United Gas Pipeline Company, Shreveport, Louisiana
John Hansen Developer, Houston, Texas
City of Abilene, Civic Center Grounds, Abilene, Texas
Old Jail Art Center, Albany, Texas
Museum of the Southeast, Beaumont, Texas
Tyler Museum of Art, Tyler, Texas
Amarillo Museum of Art, Amarillo, Texas
El Paso Museum of Art, El Paso, Texas
Kinkaid School, Houston, Texas
City of Houston, Terminal "E", Bush Intercontinental Airport, Houston, Texas
Vassar Museum, Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, New York
Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith, Inc., Houston, Texas

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