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Exhibitions

2026	Dreaming at Dawn Union of Maine Artists' juried exhibit, Bangor Public Library, Bangor, Maine
2026	Land and Sea juried exhibit, River Arts Gallery, Damariscotta, Maine
2026	Members' Show exhibit, River Arts Gallery, Damariscotta, Maine
2026	New Works juried exhibit, River Arts Gallery, Damariscotta, Maine
2026	Light juried exhibit, River Arts Gallery, Damariscotta, Maine
2025	Members' Show , River Arts Gallery, Damariscotta, Maine
2025	Celebrations exhibit, River Arts Gallery, Damariscotta, Maine
2025	Artist's Choice juried exhibit, River Arts Gallery, Damariscotta, Maine
2025	17th Annual Yarmouth Art Festival juried exhibit, Yarmouth, Maine
2025	Washed Away , juried exhibit, Portland Public Library, Portland, Maine
2025	Members' Show River Arts Gallery, Damariscotta, Maine
2024	Celebration group show, River Arts Gallery, Damariscotta, Maine
2024	16th Annual Yarmouth Art Festival juried exhibit, Yarmouth, Maine
2024	MECA&D Summer Show '24 juried exhibit, Maine College of Art & Design, Portland, Maine
2024	Ukraine Show juried exhibit, Munka Studio, Lewiston, Maine
2024	Members' Show River Arts Gallery, Damariscotta, Maine
2024	Texture juried exhibit, River Arts Gallery, Damariscotta, Maine
2024	Day & Night juried exhibit, River Arts Gallery, Damariscotta, Maine
2023	Celebration group show, River Arts Gallery, Damariscotta, Maine
2023	15th Annual Yarmouth Art Festival juried exhibit, Yarmouth, Maine
2023	Abstract juried exhibit, River Arts Gallery, Damariscotta, Maine
2023	New Works juried exhibit, River Arts Gallery, Damariscotta, Maine
2023	Members' Show River Arts Gallery, Damariscotta, Maine
2020	Wonders of Water Green Mountain Conservation Group, Ossipee, New Hampshire
2017	Feed Your Soul Fellowship Exhibition , Maine College of Art, Portland, Maine
2015	Those Who Teach Illinois Institute of Art, Chicago, IL
2014	Art Educators' Exhibit Illinois Institute of Art, Chicago, IL
2011	Friends of The Wilmette Public Library 29th Annual Juried Show
2010	New Acquisitions, The Academy Collects Palmina F. & Stephen S. Pace Gallery of Art, Fryeburg, Maine
2007	Interpretations of Grandeur Solo Artist Award Exhibition, Wilmette Public Library, Wilmette, Illinois
2006	Friends of The Wilmette Public Library 25th Annual Juried Show , Wilmette, Illinois
2004	Fryeburg Public Library , Fryeburg, Maine permanent collection
2003	The Art of Teaching Gallery 37, Chicago, Illinois
2002	911 Show Jettsett Gallery, Chicago, Illinois
2002	The Art of Teaching The Marwen Foundation, Chicago, Illinois
1999-00	Messages of the New Millennium The Peace Museum, Chicago, Illinois
1991	Summer Group Show Erie Street Gallery, Chicago, Illinois
1991	Developing Visions League of New Hampshire Craftsmen, Concord, New Hampshire
1989-90	Selected oil paintings for exhibits, Neville-Sargent Gallery, Chicago, Illinois

Education

	The School of the Art Institute of Chicago	Chicago, Illinois
1985	Bachelor of Fine Arts Degree	
1995	Professional Certificate of Art Education, K-12	
1984	The National College of Art and Design	Dublin, Ireland
	Selective exchange program through The School of the Art Institute of Chicago	

Teaching Experience

1998-2019 (Retired) **Art Department Chair and High School Art Teacher** Stephen T. Mather High School Chicago, Illinois

- Expanded and strengthened the art department by developing new course offerings and creating engaging, high-quality learning experiences for students.
- Designed and implemented standards-based curricula for beginning through advanced art courses, fostering creativity, technical skill, and critical thinking.
- Facilitated professional development workshops at both the school and district levels, supporting instructional excellence and collaboration among educators.
- Served on the Literacy, Instructional Leadership, Least Restrictive Environment (LRE), and Service Learning leadership teams, contributing to school improvement initiatives.
- Planned and led community-based art projects that engaged students in meaningful service-learning experiences.
- Secured more than **\$80,000** in competitive grant funding to enhance arts programming, resources, and student opportunities.
- Founded Mather High School's award-winning after-school arts program and established the annual **Empty Bowls Dinner**, a popular community event showcasing student ceramics and artwork while supporting local charitable causes.

Student Awards and Exhibitions: Congressional Arts, Scholastic Arts, Chicago Department of Cultural Arts All-City Exhibits, The Peace Museum, The Museum of Contemporary Art, Illinois Institute of Technology, Gallery 37, The School of the Art Institute of Chicago, The Museum of Science and Industry, Department of Education Washington D.C., Chicago Vehicle Sticker Contest, Walgreens Expressions, Chicago Farmers' Market Reusable Bag Designs

1995-97 **High School Art Teacher** Roald Amundsen High School Chicago, Illinois
Art Fundamentals Instructor, grades 9-12: Student awards: PTA regional and State winners, Congressional Arts National winners; Division Advisor:
Freshmen – Sophomores; Professional development workshop presenter: Earth Day Celebration, Illinois Prairie Plant, Environmental Committee Member

Grants and Awards

2012-19 **Friends of Mather Spark Grants:** Seven consecutive years for the Mather Empty Bowls Project, and Mather Legacy Art Collection
2017 **Country Financial Award:** to Mather Art Department for dedication and success with city-wide Reusable Bag Design project
2017 **Feed Your Soul Scholarship,** Maine College of Art, Educators' Summer Fellowship
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2015 **Wells Fargo Educator's Award:** with a generous donation to the Mather art program
2015 **Art Teacher's Award** Walgreens and Gold Star Communications
2006-19 **Donors Choose Grants** "We've Been Framed: Custom Frames for the Mather Legacy Art Collection," "Mather Empty Bowls,"
"Please, Have a Seat," "We Really, Really Need This: Potter's Wheel for Art Students," "A Sketchy Proposal II," "Work of a Lifetime,"
"Can I Borrow a Pencil?," "A Sketchy Proposal," "A Banner Project," "It's a Wrap," "Art for the Future"
2004 **CPS Service Learning Outstanding Teacher Award**
2001-04 **Learn and Serve America Grants:** Four consecutive years, Mather Art Club, Community Art
Projects
1999-01 **Service Learning Teacher Incentive Grant:** Two consecutive years, Mather Community Art Projects
1999-00 **Oppenheimer Teacher Incentive Grant:** Journal Designs and Creations
1999-00 **National Conference for Community Justice Award:** Mosaic project
1997 **School Improvement Plan Awards:** Amundsen High School - Adinkra Cloth Project and Excellence in Art Instruction

Art-Related Experience

1985- 1995 **Freelance Illustrator and Designer**
Designer, Illustrator, and Graphic Artist. Clients included ad agencies and various businesses. Technical Illustrator for Newark Electronics's 1991, 1992 and
1993 national and international catalogs
1984-1993 **Art Gallery Assistant** Jan Cicero Gallery Chicago, Illinois
Assisted in all aspects of sales. Artwork preparation and installation. Communication with artists, clients and media

Professional Memberships

Union of Maine Visual Artists
River Arts Gallery
Tannery Brook Pottery Studio

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