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SELECTED EXHIBITIONS

Solo and Small Group Shows:

- 1 Point 618 Gallery (solo), Cleveland, OH 2007
- River Gallery (group), Chelsea, MI 2007
- Kidder-Smith Gallery (group), Boston, MA 2007
- Truman State University (group), Kirksville, MO 2007
- Art Lover's Trading Company (solo), Carbondale, IL 2006
- I Colori Divini Gallery (solo), Paducah, KY 2006
- Seven Years in Ohio: Stephen Fessler's Paintings (solo), Springfield Museum of Art, Springfield, OH 2002
- Riffe Gallery: Shared Inspiration, Works by Artists in Education (group), Columbus, OH 2002
- Denison University (group), Granville, OH 2001
- Trinity Gallery (group), Atlanta, GA 2001
- Roy G. Biv Gallery (duo), Columbus, OH 2000
- Residence of the American Ambassador (group), New Delhi, India 2000-1999
- Erie Art Museum, Erie, PA (solo) 1999
- The Arts Castle, Delaware County Cultural Arts Center (duo), Delaware, OH 1999
- Roy G. Biv Gallery (group), Columbus, OH 1999
- Ohio Wesleyan University Faculty Show (group), Delaware, OH 1999
- Ohio State University Marion (solo), Marion, OH 1998
- Ohio Art League (group), Columbus, OH 1998
- Acme Art Company Alternative Artspace (duo), Columbus, OH 1998
- Louisburg College (solo), Louisburg, NC 1998
- Miami Valley Gallery (solo), Dayton, OH 1998
- Modern Primitive Gallery (group), Atlanta, GA 1998
- Athena Gallery (solo), Savannah, GA 1997
- Northern Kentucky University (solo), Highland Heights, KY 1997
- Dublin Arts Council (duo), Dublin, OH 1997
- Lanning Gallery (duo), Columbus, OH 1997
- Pentagon Gallery (solo), Cleveland, OH 1997
- Berea College (solo), Berea, KY 1997
- Ohio University Lancaster (solo), Lancaster, OH 1997
- Carnegie Art Center (solo), Covington, KY 1996

Selected Juried Shows:

- Municipal Art League of Chicago Biennial 2006
- 15th Annual National Juried Open Media Competition, Art Institute and Gallery, Salisbury, MD 2006
- 13th Annual Juried Art Exhibit, Jasper Arts Center, Krempp Gallery, Jasper, IN 2006
- Ohio State Fair Fine Arts Exposition 2001
- St. Charles Art and Music Festival, St. Charles, IL 1999
- Mid-year Exhibition, Butler Institute of American Art, Youngstown, OH 1998, 1997
- Northern National Art Competition, Nicolet College, Rhinelander, WI 1998, 1997
- Fred Wells National Juried Exhibition, Nebraska Wesleyan University, NE 1998, 1996
- Cream of the Crop, Southern Ohio Museum, Portsmouth, OH 1998, 1996
- The Peoples Collection, Peoples Bank Exhibition, Marietta, OH 1998, 1996, 1995

EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, Philadelphia, PA
Master of Fine Arts, May 1985. Concentration in painting.

OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY, Delaware, OH
Bachelor of Fine Arts, June 1982. Emphasis on painting and sculpture.

BACKANGSKOLAN, Boras, Sweden. 1977. Studied drawing and Swedish language.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

VARIOUS ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE and HIGH SCHOOLS, Ohio and Illinois
Artist in Residence. Designed and taught projects in collaboration with teachers and the Ohio Arts Council, the Illinois Arts Council, the Illinois Migrant Council, and local arts organizations **1998 - 2007**

OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY, Delaware, Ohio
Assistant Professor. Taught a two-dimensional design course for undergraduate students of Fine Arts. **1999**

NORTHERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY, Highland Heights, Kentucky
OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY, Delaware, Ohio
OTTERBEIN COLLEGE, Westerville, Ohio
LOUISBURG COLLEGE, Louisburg, North Carolina
Guest Lecturer and Critic. Presented my work and held critique for undergraduate students of painting. **2000, 1997, 1996**

OHIO UNIVERSITY, Athens, Ohio
Art Instructor. Initiated and taught children's art course for the university's community/ Continuing education program. **1996**

KAW MOO RAH HIGH SCHOOL, Huaykaloke Refugee Camp, Thailand
Art Instructor. Organized and taught a drawing and painting course for Karen refugees. **1989**

PENNSYLVANIA PRISON SOCIETY, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Art Instructor. Taught a drawing and painting course for inmates, Philadelphia Correctional Facility. **1988**

PRINTS IN PROGRESS, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Art Instructor. Designed projects and taught children's classes. Developed and taught a special course in drawing and painting for teenagers. **1987**

ANTI-GRAFFITTI NETWORK, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Muralist and Instructor. Designed and painted murals with inner-city high school students for city government project. **1986**

THE PARADE COMPANY, Detroit, Michigan
Staff Artist. Painted, carved and welded sculptures and structural framework for floats. **1985**

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Teaching Assistant. Taught an advanced undergraduate drawing class. **1985**

CREATIVE TIME, INC., New York, New York.
Artist's Assistant. Designed, built and painted sculptural pieces for Red Grooms' Ruckus Manhattan Project. **1982**

RESIDENCIES

- Ohio Arts Council Artist-in-Residence Program, OH 1999 - 2007
- Illinois Arts Council Arts in Education Program, IL 2003 - 2007
- Pennsylvania Arts Council Arts in Education Program, PA 2002
- Headlands Center for the Arts, Sausalito, CA 2000

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Illinois Arts Council Artists Fellowship 2007
- Award of Excellence, 13th Annual Juried Art Exhibit, Jasper Arts Center, Krempp Gallery 2006
- Mary Lou Chess Memorial Award, Ohio Art League Juried Exhibition 2001
- Best of Show, Ohio State Fair Fine Arts Exhibition 2001
- Award of Excellence, St. Charles Art and Music Festival 1999
- Nationwide Insurance Award, Ohio Art League Juried Exhibition 1998, 1997
- Glenn Bradshaw Award, Northern National Art Competition 1998
- Purchase Award, Peoples Bank 3rd Annual Art Exhibition 1998, 1995
- Ohio Arts Council Individual Artist Fellowship 1997
- Award of Excellence, Northern National Art Competition 1997
- Honorable Mention, Butler Mid-year Exhibition 1997
- Athens Area Arts Council Award, Ohio State Fair Fine Arts Exhibition 1997
- First Prize: Oil Painting, 9th National Juried Exhibition 1996
- Second Prize, Southern Ohio Art Museum Juried Exhibition 1996
- Award of Excellence, Unicorn Gallery Juried Exhibition 1996
- Award of Merit, Viewpoint '96 Juried Exhibition 1996
- Award of Merit, Panorama '96 Art Exhibition 1996

PUBLICATIONS

- Studio Visit, Open Studios Press, Boston, MA 2008
- New American Paintings #65, #23 and #11, Open Studios Press, Boston, MA 2006, 1999, 1997
- Dialogue: Voicing the Arts, Columbus, OH March/April 1999
- Bowling Green Sentinel-Tribune, Bowling Green, OH 11/10/99
- The William and Mary Review, College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, VA 1998
- Erie Daily Times, Erie, PA 3/18/99
- Columbus Dispatch, Columbus, OH 1/10/99, 7/26/98, 8/17/97, 6/15/97, 3/9/97
- Athens Messenger, Athens, OH 5/22/98, 5/15/98, 9/18/97, 3/13/97, etc.

SELECTED COLLECTIONS

Corporate and Public:

- Wellington Management, Boston, MA
- Baptist Memorial Hospital, Paducah, KY
- Second National Bank, Steubenville, OH
- The People's Collection, Peoples Bank, Marietta, OH
- Ohio State University Newark, Newark, OH

Selected Private:

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| Diane Bernard, Easton, PA | Arlene Levy, Chicago, IL |
| Krzysztof Cugowski, Lublin, Poland | Lech Koltun, Lublin, Poland |
| Dana and Barb Michael, New York, NY | Dr. Dorothy Brooten, Weston, FL |
| Karen Miller, Cincinnati, OH | Jeney Family, Columbus, OH |
| Gary Brooten, Cleveland, OH | Joan Wobst, Hobe Sound, FL |
| Kathleen Carrick, Cleveland, OH | Bo Mullan, Smyrna, GA |
| Dennis Charleton, Cincinnati, OH | Phillip Murray, Oakland, CA |
| James Pappas, Boston, MA | Wojtek Chojna, Urbana, OH |