

# *Mat Karas; curriculum vitae*

Born in Montréal, Québec

## **Education:**

**2007-2009:** N.Y.S.C.C. at Alfred University / M.F.A. in Ceramics  
**2003-2006:** N.S.C.A.D / B.F.A. in Ceramics / Minor in Art History  
**2001-2003:** Concordia University Art History / Ceramics program

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## **Teaching**

2020 - **Assistant Professor of Studio Arts, Ceramics Program, Concordia University**  
2012-2019 **Assistant Professor of Ceramics, Maryland Institute College of Art**  
2010-2012 **Instructor, Ceramics Department, N.S.C.A.D. University**  
2009 **Visiting Studio Artist and Teaching Assistant, Concordia University**  
**Teaching assistant to Walter McConnell, 'Systems'**  
2008 **Instructor, 'Introduction to Drawing,' Alfred University**  
**Teaching assistant to Theodore Morgan, 'Foundations Color'**  
2007 **Teaching assistant to Andrea Gill, 'Hand-building'**

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## **Selected Solo and Group Exhibitions:**

2022 **XYZ, Centre Materia, Québec City, Quebec, Canada**  
2021 **Virginia McClure Ceramics Biennale: XYZ, Visual Arts Center, Montréal, Québec, Canada**  
2020 **Ars Mathematica Intersculpt, Paris, France**  
2019 **Ceramystic, Rozynski Arts Center, Barnston-Ouest, Québec, Canada**  
**MICA Sabbatical Exhibition Decker Gallery, Baltimore, Maryland**  
2018 **TerraCotta CoLab CDCP Gallery and NCECA, Pittsburgh, United States.**  
**Architectural Terracotta CoLab Leidy Atrium, Maryland Institute College of Art, Baltimore, United States**  
**Materials: Hard + Soft Greater Denton Arts Council, Patterson-Appleton Arts Center, Denton, United States**  
2016 **Spotkajmy się tile mural Przejsie Slodowe, Wroclaw, Poland**  
**MICA Faculty Exhibition Decker Gallery, Baltimore, Maryland**  
2013 **'Cluj International Ceramics Biennale' Museum of Fine Arts, Cluj-Napoca, Romania.**  
**MICA Faculty Exhibition Decker Gallery, Baltimore, Maryland**

- 2011 **'Alchemy'** NSCAD port campus, Halifax, Nova-Scotia  
**'6X(8.5 X 11)'** Khyber, Halifax, Nova-Scotia
- 2010 **'A Post Production Moment'** FLUX Space, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
- 2009 **'HOMEMADEHOMEMADEHOME'** Schein-Joseph International Museum of Ceramic Art, Alfred, New York  
**'Random/Order'** (with Jeff Miller), Turner Gallery, Alfred, New York
- 2008 **'S.U.N.Y Exhibition'** S.U.N.Y. Albany, Albany, New York  
**'In Progress'** 576 2nd Street Gallery, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
- 2007 **'Consumer Digest'** Turner Gallery, Alfred, New York  
**'Cerotica'** Espace Perspective Gallery, Montreal, Quebec
- 2006 **'Art Market'** VAV Gallery, Montreal, Quebec  
**'We have a good chance to win, and I am honored to have you on my team'** Anna Leonowens Gallery, Halifax, Nova Scotia
- 2005 **N.S.C.A.D. Ceramics Exhibition** Morse's Tea Building, Halifax, Nova Scotia
- 2004 **N.S.C.A.D. Ceramics Exhibition** Morse's Tea Building, Halifax, Nova Scotia
- 2002 **Concordia Ceramics Exhibition** VAV gallery, Montreal, Quebec

### Lectures & Symposium:

- 2018 **Terracotta CoLab**, Panel Discussion, NCECA, Pittsburgh
- 2018 **Architectural Terracotta Residency Symposium**, Public Symposium, Baltimore
- 2011 **University of Nebraska, Lincoln**, public lecture, Nebraska
- 2011 **Robert's Street Social Centre**, **visiting** artist lecture, Nova Scotia
- 2010 **Concordia University**, **visiting** artist lecture and demonstration, Quebec
- 2009 **Concordia University**, **visiting** artist lecture series, Quebec
- 2008 **Alfred University**, Summer School lecture series, New York

### Professional Experience

- 2021 **Workshop**, Visual Arts Center, Montréal, Quebec
- 2019 **Visiting Artist**, Studio de céramique Alexandra, Montréal  
**RampItUp Visiting Artist**, Lunenburg School of the Arts, Nova Scotia
- 2018 **Visiting Artist**, NSCAD Ceramics Department, Halifax, Nova Scotia  
**NCECA Ceramics Conference (Panel Discussion Moderator)**  
**Consultant**, Walter Museum, reinstallation of par of the ceramics collection.

- 2016 **Artist in Residence at the Guldagergaard  
International Ceramic Research Center**
- 2016 **NCECA Ceramics Conference**
- 2015 **NCECA Ceramics Conference**
- 2011 **Assistant to Neil Forrest (mold making, hand-building)**
- 2011 **Guest critique, University of Nebraska, Lincoln**
- 2011 **Hungry Bowls, Nova Scotia College of Art and Design, Halifax,  
Nova Scotia**
- 2009-2010 **Studio Artist and co-manager of the R.A.T. (Royal Arts and  
Trades)  
Assistant to Walter McConnell (slip casting)**
- 2008 **Alfred Summer School, Kiln Coordinator and Core Committee  
Member**
- 2006 **Concordia University Ceramics Assistant  
Anderson Ranch Ceramics Workshop, Snowmass Colorado**
- 2005 **Anderson Ranch Ceramics Workshop, Snowmass Colorado**
- 2003-2006 **NSCAD University, Clay and Glaze Assistant**

**Grants and Awards:**

- 2018 **Marcella Brenner Grant**, Maryland Institute College of Art, Baltimore
- 2016 **Faculty Development Grant**, Maryland Institute College of Art, Baltimore
- 2016 **NEA ArtWorks Grant**, National Endowment for the Arts, United States
- 2014 **Marcella Brenner Grant**, Maryland Institute College of Art, Baltimore
- 2006 **Soldner Scholarship**, Anderson Ranch, Snowmass Colorado
- 2005 **Tuition Scholarship**, Anderson Ranch, Snowmass Colorado

**Collections:**

- 2016 **Spotkajmy się** tile mural Przejście Słodowe, Wrocław, Poland.
- 2013 **International Ceramics Biennale, Ceramart Foundation and  
Ceramics Now Association.** Cluj-Napoca, Romania
- 2009 **Alfred University, Schein-Joseph International Museum of Ceramic  
Art, Alfred, New York**