

ALEXANDER JOSEPH THIERRY

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EDUCATION

The University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas

M.F.A. Studio Art

Area of Concentration: Ceramics

2017

Thesis: Memories to Objects: Taking Inspiration from Family Tradition

Truman State University, Kirksville, Missouri

M.A. in Education

Area of Concentration: Visual Arts Education

2011

Thesis: "The Effects of Creative Writing in the Visual Arts Classroom"

Truman State University, Kirksville, Missouri

B.F.A. in Visual Arts

Area of Concentration: Ceramics

2010

Senior Thesis: Clay and Wood

Truman State University, Kirksville, Missouri

B.A. in Visual Arts

2010

Area of Concentration: Painting

Senior Thesis: Graffiti in the Gallery

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

South Carolina State University, Orangeburg, South Carolina

Assistant Professor of Ceramics

2017 - Present

Led the development of Ceramics curriculum and worked on restructuring of the visual art program for reaccreditation while teaching, designing, and promoting student success and guidance in Ceramics, 3-D Design Foundations, Art Appreciation, and Art Education.

The University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas

Instructor of Record

2014 – 2017

Developed course syllabus and curriculum, administered student assessments in Ceramics I, collaborated with the head of the Ceramics Department and other instructors while providing instruction to both art majors and non-majors.

Oak Harbor High School, Oak Harbor, Washington

Pottery and Design Teacher

2012 – 2014

Created course syllabus and curriculum, administered student assessments in Pottery, Advanced Pottery, and Black and White Design while collaborating with other art teachers in the school district for art shows and professional development.

Parkway School District, St. Louis, Missouri

Substitute Teacher

2011 – 2012

Provided support for educators as needed throughout the school, maintained a functioning classroom in the absence of the regular classroom teacher, and adapted to the many styles of classroom functions as the assignment changed frequently.

Wright City School District, Wright City, Missouri

Student Teaching Intern

January 2011 – June 2011

Under supervision of mentor teachers, created projects based on my thesis research to teach grades 6-12. Provided lesson plans, assessment, and classroom management to students in a variety of classes such as Introduction to Art, Painting, and Sculpture.

RELATED EXPERIENCE

The University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas

President - KU Ceramics Club

2015 – 2017

Planned and organized sales, shows, visiting artists, and events. Petitioned student government and funding opportunities to allow for visiting artists to supplement the curriculum and needs of the wide range of students in the ceramics department to the total of \$40,000.

The University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas

Studio Assistant - Ceramics

2014 – 2017

Worked with the studio technician to maintain equipment and facilities in working order. Build shelves for storage and organization, mixed glazes and slips, prepared wood, and repaired and built kiln including electric, gas and wood.

Peters Valley School of Craft, Layton, New Jersey

Summer Studio Assistant - Ceramics

2016

Facilitated the needs of workshop artists, students, and the Ceramics Director throughout the summer workshop season. Duties included, mixing clay and glaze, firing kilns of all types, assisting the artists during demonstrations, instructing students, and maintaining a clean, well stocked studio.

Truman State University, Kirksville, Missouri

Ceramic Studio Assistant

2007 – 2010

Provided support to the Ceramics professor and students by maintaining a clean studio, mixing clay and glazes, loading and collecting data of electric, gas and atmospheric kilns.

AWARDS

Fine Contemporary Craft Exhibition – First Place

2017

Almighty Cup Show – Honorable Mention

2017

Wichita Arts Council Juried Show – Third Place

2016

University of Kansas – Ceramics Club Travel Award

2016

Peters Valley School of Craft - Summer Studio Assistantship Residency

2016

Anderson Ranch Arts Center - Partnership Scholarship

2015

University of Kansas - School of the Arts Travel Grant

2015

University of Kansas – Graduate Teaching Assistantship

2014-17

EXHIBITIONS

<i>Last Call III</i> Companion Gallery, Humbolt, Tennessee	2018
<i>Palliative Pour</i> Threadbare Cider House, Pittsburg, Pennsylvania	2018
<i>Resistance, Reform and Reasoning: The Orangeburg Massacre and Its Aftermath, 50 Years Later</i> I.P. Stanback Museum and Planetarium, Orangeburg, South Carolina	2018
<i>Are We All Here?: Solo Exhibition</i> FAB Gallery, Orangeburg, South Carolina	2018
<i>Geaux Cups</i> Clay Center of New Orleans, New Orleans, Louisiana	2018
<i>Fine Contemporary Craft</i> ArtSpace, Raleigh, North Carolina	2017
<i>Biennial Sculpture Exhibition</i> Tryon Fine Arts Center, Tryon, North Carolina	2017
<i>The Almighty Cup</i> Gandee Gallery, Fabius, New York	2017
<i>Kansas City Clay Guild Tea Bowl National Juried Exhibition</i> Bredin-Lee Gallery, Kansas City, Missouri	2017
<i>University of Kansas and Kansas State University Ceramics Graduate Student Exhibition</i> SeedCo. Studios, Lawrence, Kansas	2017
<i>To Remember Them: Solo Exhibition</i> Trap Gallery, Kansas City, Missouri	2017
<i>Memories to Objects: Solo Exhibition</i> The White Schoolhouse, Lawrence, Kansas	2017
<i>Kansas State University and University of Kansas Ceramics Graduate Student Exhibition</i> Student Union Gallery, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas	2017
<i>Group Exhibition</i> Guerilla Gallery, Lawrence, Kansas	2017
<i>Arts Council Juried Exhibition</i> CityArts Main Gallery, Wichita, Kansas	2016
<i>The Clay Cup: Vessel, Icon, Canvas</i> George Caleb Bingham Gallery, Columbia, Missouri	2016
<i>Atmospheric Firings: Life on the Range</i> Yantra, Lawrence Kansas	2016
<i>Ninth Annual Cup Show: Form and Function</i> Amelia Center Gallery, Panama City, Florida	2016
<i>The Almighty Cup</i> Gandee Gallery, Fabius, New York	2016
<i>Arts at the Port: Juried Art Exhibition</i> Port Transit Shed Event Center, Anacortes, WA	2016
<i>Making Matters: Fresh Perspectives in Fine Craft, Vol. 2</i> Sally D. Francisco Gallery, Peters Valley School of Craft, Layton, New Jersey	2016

<i>Hinting at a Narrative: Solo Exhibition</i> Kansas Union Gallery, Lawrence, Kansas	2016
<i>Bricolage: Group Exhibition</i> Art Emergency, Lawrence, Kansas	2016
<i>Earth>Water>Fire: The Art of the Mug</i> Phoenix Underground, Lawrence, Kansas	2016
<i>Graduate Student Exhibition</i> Art and Design Gallery, Lawrence, Kansas	2016
<i>The Almighty Cup</i> Gandee Gallery, Fabius, New York	2015
<i>2015 Bellingham National Salon des Refusés</i> Whatcom Museum, Bellingham, Washington	2015
<i>The Art of Gastronomy</i> Healdsburg Center for the Arts, Healdsburg, California	2015
<i>Unmonumental</i> Columbia, Missouri	2014
<i>Graduate Student Exhibition</i> Art and Design Gallery, Lawrence, Kansas	2014
<i>B.A Thesis Exhibition</i> Truman State University, Kirksville, Missouri	2010
<i>B.F.A. Thesis Exhibition</i> Truman State University, Kirksville, Missouri	2009
<i>Annual Juried Student Show</i> Truman State University, Kirksville, Missouri	2008, 2009