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Curriculum Vitae

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Education

- 2013 **Master of Fine Arts** - Dimensional Practice, focus in Ceramics and Metal
Smiting and Jewelry
The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA
- 2011 **Master of Art** - Dimensional Practice, focus in Ceramics
The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA
- 2009 **Bachelor of Fine Arts**, focus in Ceramics
Northwest Missouri State University, Maryville, MO
- 2007 **Associate of Arts**
Iowa Central Community College, Fort Dodge, IA

Teaching Experience

- 2014 Summer **Instructor of Record, Ceramics session Special topic “Teapot”,
Summer 2014**
Archie Bray Foundation for the Ceramics Art, Helena, Montana, USA
Curriculum development, course planning, full teaching.
- 2013-Present **Lecturer Professor of Art – Ceramics,**
Department of Fine and Performing Arts, Northwest Missouri State
University, Maryville, MO
Curriculum development, course planning, full teaching (4/4Class load)
and grade book responsibilities: Ceramics 1 and 2, Advance Ceramics
Students-BFA (hand building, slab-building, coil-building, extrusion,
mixed media), equipment repair, equipment proposal, funding proposal,
student advising.
- 2012-2013 **Research Assistant of Record, Hand Build Bicycle,
Fall2012, Spring2013**
The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

Curriculum development, course planning, exhibition planning, AutoCAD drawing

Instructor of Record, Form in clay I,

Fall 2012, Spring 2013

The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

Curriculum development, course planning, full teaching and grade book responsibilities: Ceramics 1(hand building, slab-building, coil-building, extrusion, mixed media)

2011-2012

Instructor of Record, Form in clay II,

Fall 2011, Spring 2012

The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

Curriculum development, course planning, full teaching and grade book responsibilities: Ceramics 2(wheel throwing, cups, mugs, pitcher, plates, teapot set, mixed media)

2009-2010

Instructor of Record, Night Adult ceramics sessions,

Fall 2009, Spring 2010

Iowa Central Community College, Fort Dodge, IA

Curriculum development, course planning, full teaching and grade book responsibilities: Ceramics I and II

Instructor of Record, Adjunct Instructor for ceramics,

Fall 2009

Iowa Central Community College, Fort Dodge, IA

Curriculum development, course planning, full teaching and grade book drawing, 2-d design under supervision of Maureen Seamonds (MFA-The University of Iowa), Rusty Farrington (MFA-The University of Iowa)

2009

Instructor of Ceramics sessions,

Fall 2009

All Cultures Equal Inc(non-profit organization for multicultural group), Webster City, IA

Weekend class, course planning, full teaching

Teaching Assistant for Ceramics,

Fall 2009, Spring 2010

Iowa Central Community College, Fort Dodge, IA

Supervision of Maureen Seamonds (MFA- The University of Iowa), Rusty Farrington (MFA- The University of Iowa)

Residences & Assistantships

- 2014 **Archie Bray Foundation for the Ceramics Art, Helena, Montana, USA
Summer 2014-2015**
- 2012 **Pottery Workshop, Artist in Resident, Jingdezhen, China,
Summer 2012, June to July**
Porcelain clay process and research, presentation, and personal work
production, factory visit, professional experience exchange
- 2009 **Summer Artist in Resident, Chautauqua Institution School of Art,
Summer 2009, June to August**
Chautauqua, NY
Ceramics research, presentation, and personal work production
- Studio Assistant, Chautauqua Institution School of Art,
Summer 2009, June to August**
Chautauqua, NY
work production, teaching assistant, professional experience exchange
Assisted: Jeff Greenham, Alec Karros, Kyle Houser, Dan Kuhn, Justin
Lambert, Frank Martin, Polly Martin, Jim McDowell, Chris Miller, Adam
Paulek.

Presentations

- 2014 **“36 Titanium Tandem”,
Visiting artist Bicycle Frame building Demonstration**
March 10th- 12th, 2014
University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA
- “Summer Lecture Series”,
Summer Residents**
July 23rd, 2014
Archie Bray Foundation for the Ceramics Art, Helena, Montana, USA
- 2012 **“Make in China”, visiting artist images presentation,**
November 19th, 2012
Madison Area Community College, November, Madison, WI
- “Titanium Hand Built Bicycle Workshop”,
October 12th-15th, 2012**
The University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS

“Materials Makes Meaning”, panel presentation,
October 3rd to 6th, 2012
Mid-America College Art Association, Detroit, MI

“Student exhibition”, jury artist talk
April 29th, 2012
North West Missouri State University, Maryville, MO

“Knowing the Unknown”, visiting artist images presentation
April 12th, 2012
Coe College, Cedar Rapid, IA

2011

“Graduated student slide talk”, visiting artist images presentation
North West Missouri State University, Maryville, MO

Assistant for Brad Schwieger, kiln loading
The Clay Center, Cedar Rapids, IA

“The University of Iowa Ceramics Graduate Students Image presentation and Demo workshop”, visiting artist images presentation
The Clay Center, Cedar Rapids, IA

“Image presentation and Demo workshop”, visiting artist images presentation
Edgewood College, Madison, WI

2010

“Image presentation and Demo workshop”, visiting artist images presentation
Luther College, Decorah, IA

2009

“Soda kiln building”, visiting artist images presentation
Webster City, IA

2007

“Altering and wheel thrown demonstration”, visiting artist images presentation
Webster City, IA

“Altering and wheel thrown demonstration”, visiting artist images presentation
Kaleidoscope Factory, Pomeroy, IA

2006

“Altering and wheel thrown demonstration”, visiting artist images presentation
Kaleidoscope Factory, Pomeroy, IA

Honors

2014

WindGate Scholarship

Archie Bray Foundation for the Ceramics Art, Helena, Montana

“Ceramics Monthly Emerging Artist 2014”

Ceramics Monthly, Westerville, OH

2012

Glenn Nelson Scholarship for ceramics

The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

Glenn Nelson Scholarship for travel to NCECA

The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

Margret Rice fund for Pottery Workshop, artist in resident

The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

Jingdezhen, China

2nd Places, “College Clay Collective”, national juried exhibition

Firehouse Gallery, Genesee Pottery, Rochester, NY (Juror: Matt Metz)

2011-Present

Artaxis.org, online juried database for contemporary ceramics artist

2011

Merit Awards, “River 2 River Juried Show”, regional juried exhibition

The Ceramics Center, Cedar Rapids, IA (Jurors: Bunny McBride, JoAnn Schnabel, Sanjay Jani)

Rodger Lang Award for Student Excellence

2011 National Student Juried Exhibition

National Council on Education for the Ceramics Arts

Tampa, FL

Iowa Arts Fellowship recipient (one of two major awards yearly)

The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

2010

Iowa Arts Fellowship recipient (one of two major awards yearly)

The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

Graduate Student Senate Travel Funds Fellowship

The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

2009

Best of 3-D, “Artists of the 21st Century”, national juried exhibition

West Tennessee Regional Art Center, Humboldt, TN

Full Scholarships

Chautauqua Institution School of Art, Chautauqua, NY

2007-2009

Distinguished Scholars Scholarships

North West Missouri State University, Maryville, MO

2005-2007

Art Scholarships,

Iowa Central Community College, Fort Dodge, IA

Organizations

2013-Present

Clay Club, Academic Advisor

Northwest Missouri State University, Maryville, MO

2010-2013

Ceramics Society, Graduate committee

events organization, funding application, meeting organization
The University of Iowa, Iowa city, IA

2008-2009

Art Association, member

events meeting organization
Northwest Missouri State University, Maryville, MO

2007-2009

Clay Club, member

events meeting organization
Northwest Missouri State University, Maryville, MO

2005-2007

Art Club , member

events meeting organization
Iowa Central Community College, Fort Dodge, IA

Clay Club, vice president

events meeting organization
Iowa Central Community College, Fort Dodge, IA

Juried international/nation/regional Exhibitions

2014

“The Zanesville Prize for Contemporary Ceramics”

The Muskingum County Community Foundation (MCCF), the Artist Colony of Zanesville, and ZOCA (Zanes- ville Ohio Ceramic Arts) and Potters Council (Juror: Sherman Hall, Brad Schweiger, Angelica Pozo)

“Archie Bray at the Kolva-Sullivan Gallery”

Spokane, WA(Invited Archie Bray Resident Artist)

“UN-WEDGED”

Pottery Northwest, Seattle, WA(Juror: Sam Chung)

“Summer Residents Exhibition”

Archie Bray Foundation for the Ceramics Art, Helena, Montana, USA

“Recent Acquisitions to the Archie Bray Permanent Collection”

Archie Bray Foundation for the Ceramics Art, Helena, Montana, USA

“Shape of Influence”

Spring Field Art, Springfield, IL(Juror: Harris Deller)

“Art Kudos International Juried Art Competition and Exhibition”

ArtHow.com, Atlanta GA (Juror: Graeme Reid)

2013

“Currents:Mixtus”

The Focus Gallery, University of Florida, FL (Juror: Eric Kao)

“Potters Council Juried Show Exhibition - Transcending Material”

Resource Hall Delta Center, Milwaukee, WI (Juror: Chris Campbell)

“The Unexpected”, Invitational exhibition.

Queens University of Charlotte, Charlotte, NC (invited by Denny Gerwin)

“Cluj International Ceramics Biennale 2013”, Ceramics Now, International juried exhibition

Museum of Art Cluj-Napoca, Cluj, Romania. [Jury:Zehra Çobanlı (Turkey)Gabriele Gruber-Gisler (Austria)Les Manning (Canada)János Probstner (Hungary)Cristina Popescu Russu (Romania)Ting-Ju Shao (Taiwan)Blazenka Soic Stebih (Croatia)Anthony Stellaccio (USA)Piet Stockmans (Belgium)]

“Earth Moves: Shifts in Ceramic Art and Design National Exhibition”, National Council on Education for the Ceramics Arts, National juried exhibition

The Arvada Center for the Arts and Humanities, Arvada, CO

2012

“Art and Technology Exhibition”

Art Building West gallery, The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

“Functional/Dysfunctional”, national juried competition

Morean Arts Center, St.Petersburg, FL (Jurors: Kathy King, Steve Lee)

“Beyond the Brickyard 5th Annual”, international juried exhibition
Archie Bray Foundation for the Ceramic Arts, Helena, MT (Juror: Andrea Gill)

2nd Places, “College Clay Collective”, national juried exhibition
Firehouse Gallery, Genesee Pottery, Rochester, NY (Juror: Matt Metz)

“Clay National VIII Sculptural”, national juried exhibition
Carbondale Clay Center, CO (Jurors: Tyler Lotz and Erin Furminsky)

“Across the Divide”, international juried exhibition
Coconino Center for the Art, AZ (Juror: Steven Schaeffer)

“Small Work Show”, regional juried exhibition
Chait Galleries Downtown, Iowa City, IA (Juror: Chelsea Jacobs)

“International contemporary ceramics exhibition”, Invitational exhibition
Galatea Gallery, Bucharest, Romania

2011

“NICHE Awards-2012 Finalists”, national juried
Baltimore, MD

“Beyond the Brickyard 4th Annual”, international juried exhibition
Archie Bray Foundation for the Ceramic Arts, Helena, MT (Juror: Richard Shaw)

Merit Awards, “River 2 River Juried Show”, regional juried exhibition
The Ceramics Center, Cedar Rapids, IA (Jurors: Bunny McBride, JoAnn Schnabel, Sanjay Jani)

“FEATS OF CLAY XXIV”, international juried exhibition
Lincoln, CA (Juror: Donna Billick)

“Craftsmanship Concept: Innovation”, national juried exhibition
Red Lodge Clay Center, Red Lodge, MT (Juror: Brad Schwieger)

Uncommon Ground: “Impact and Influence”, National Council on Education for the Ceramics Arts regional exhibitions, regional juried exhibition
The Arvada Center for the Arts and Humanities, Arvada, CO

“Selected Ceramics Graduate showcase”, invaitation
First Friday event hosted by The University of Iowa Museum of Art, Hotel Vetro, Iowa City, IA

60th anniversary celebration: “Ceramics Stroll”, juried invaitation
Archie Bray Foundation for the Ceramic Arts, Hosted by Mosaic Architecture, Helena, MT

“Ceramics Materials and Effects”

The Ark, The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

2010

“National Council on Education for the Ceramics Arts 2011 National Student Juried Exhibition”, national juried exhibition

Tampa, FL (Jurors: Neil Forrest, Ayumi Horie)

“The Clay Studio Member Exhibition”, juried exhibition

Philadelphia, PA

“Alumni Art Show”, juried exhibition

Iowa Central Student Art Exhibition, Fort Dodge, IA

2009

“Window to my World”, invitation exhibition

Iowa Central Community College, Fort Dodge, IA

“Chautauqua Art Festival”, invitation

Chautauqua, NY

“Annual student exhibition”, invitation

Chautauqua Institution School of Art, Chautauqua, NY

Best of 3-D, “Artists of the 21st Century”, national juried exhibition

West Tennessee Regional Art Center, Humboldt, TN

“Undergraduate College Student Exhibition 14th”, regional juried exhibition

Kansas City Artists Coalition, Kansas City, MO

“Juried Student Exhibition”, juried exhibition

North West Missouri State University, Maryville, MO

2008

“Alumni Art Show”, invitation exhibition

Iowa Central Student Art Exhibition, Fort Dodge, IA

“Juried Student Exhibition”, juried exhibition

North West Missouri State University, Maryville, MO

“Undergraduate College Student Exhibition 13th”, regional juried exhibition

Kansas City Artists Coalition, Kansas City, MO

2007

Best of 3D, “Iowa Central Student Art Exhibition”, juried exhibition

Fort Dodge, IA

Juror’s Mention, “Iowa Central Student Art Exhibition”, juried exhibition

Fort Dodge, IA

2006 **Juror’s Mention, “Iowa Central Student Art Exhibition”, juried exhibition**
Fort Dodge, IA

Select Group Exhibitions

2012 **“Design It, Build It, Ride It: Hand craft Bicycle exhibition”**
Art Building West, The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

“The Crafty Boyz on Tour: Made in China”
ceramics graduate student’s showcase,
Art Building West Gallery, The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

2011 **“The Crafty Boyz: All I have to give”**
ceramics graduate student’s showcase,
Drewelowe Gallery, The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

“Ceramics Workshop showcase”
ceramics graduate student’s showcase,
Market and Dubuque Display Space, The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

“Graduate Art Congress showcase”
Event hosted by The University of Iowa, Levitt Center, Iowa City, IA

“Selected Graduate Show case”
Graduate student’s showcase,
Studio Art open house, The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

“Underlying Structures”
Ceramics graduate student’s showcase,
Market and Dubuque Display Space, The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

2010 **“The Best Damn show on earth”**
Graduate Workshop, ceramics graduate student’s showcase
Market and Dubuque Display Space, The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

Solo exhibition

2014 **“Knowing The Unknown”**
Pearson Lake Art Center, Okoboji, IA

2013 **“Industrial landscape”**
Concurrent Independent Exhibition NCECA, Houston, TX

2012 **“Knowing The Unknown”, Master of Fine Art Solo exhibition**
Art Building West, The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

2009 **Bachelor of Fine Arts thesis show**
North West Missouri State University, Maryville, MO

Private Collection and Contributions

2014 **“Permanent Collection”**
Archie Bray Foundation for the Ceramics Art, Helena, Montana, USA

2012 **Two pieces from “Knowing the Unknown” series for biennale, Ceramart Foundation and Ceramics Now Association**
Cluj, Romania

Industrial landscape “Zeta” and Industrial landscape View from Above “#1” for Ceramics Now Magazine
Galatea Gallery, Bucharest, Romania

A piece from “Knowing the Unknown” series for Pottery Workshop
Jingdezhen, China

2009 **Wall Sculpture for Chautauqua Institution School of Art**
Chautauqua, NY

Ceramics Vase for Chautauqua Institution School of Art
Chautauqua, NY

Ceramics Vase for art department, Northwest Missouri State University
Maryville, MO

2006 **5 paintings for music department, music event**
Iowa Central Community College, Fort Dodge, IA

Other Work Experience

2011-present Job title: **Wood Shop Monitor**

The University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

Description of responsibilities:

As a **wood shop monitor**, I help organize and maintain the wood shop, check and make sure equipment working properly, assist student who need help in during use the wood shop.

2008-2009

Job title: **Teaching Assistant**

North West Missouri State University, Maryville, MO

Description of responsibilities:

As a **teaching assistant**, I help on projects, such as remove kilns, organize art store materials, and assist the teacher as needed.

2005-2007

Job title: **Studio Assistant and Teaching Assistant**

Iowa Central Community College, Fort Dodge, IA

Description of responsibilities:

As a **studio assistant**, I ordered materials and supplies, scheduled and fired kilns, mixed glazes, organized material, helped other students on materials understanding and firing process.

As a **teaching assistant**, I organize teaching materials, copy information from v textbooks, and organize slides

2003-2004

Job title: **Volunteer**

Hong Kong Social Welfare Department, Tai Po, Hong Kong

Description of responsibilities:

I organized a country area picnic for mentally disabled group members with their parents, teaching them how to play badminton, draw, and use a computer, etc.

Publications

2014

“Ceramics Monthly Emerging Artist 2014”-May Issues

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Ceramics Monthly, Westerville, OH

2013

“HomeFly Sketchbook:2013 Artist Interview Series #1”

by Kyle Houser

kylehouser.blogspot.com/2013/01/2013-artist-interview-series-1.html

“Earth Moves: Shifts in Ceramic Art and Design National Exhibition”, National Council on Education for the Ceramics Arts, National juried exhibition, page 100, 2013, publish date October 18,2013

The Arvada Center for the Arts and Humanities, Arvada, CO

“Cluj International Ceramics Biennale 2013”, Ceramics Now, International juried exhibition

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Museum of Art Cluj-Napoca, Cluj, Romania. [Jury:Zehra Çobanlı (Turkey)Gabriele Gruber-Gisler (Austria)Les Manning (Canada)János Probstner (Hungary)Cristina Popescu Russu (Romania)Ting-Ju Shao (Taiwan)Blazenka Soic Stebih (Croatia)Anthony Stellaccio (USA)Piet Stockmans (Belgium)]

“Das Architekturmedium Von Porcelaingres “Just de_titles”

Interview, Panorama-Portrat, P.16-P.17

Dipl.-Ing. Franziska Bettac

Redaktion | editorial office

corporate publishing

2012

“500 Teapot Volume 2”, 500 series

Lark Crafts ,USA

“Assembly Required”, DVD with Jake Allee

Ceramic Publication Company/Ceramic Arts Daily

“Interview”, Ceramics Now - Issue nr. 2- Ceramics Now Magazine

Gheorghe Dima nr. 35, ap. 1

400342, Cluj-Napoca

Romania

“Artist Spotlight”, Ceramics Now, Ceramics Now Magazine Online

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Romania

2011

“Uncommon Ground: Impact and Influence” catalogs, National Council on Education for the Ceramics Arts, page 100, 2011, publish date August 16, 2011
Arvada Center for the Arts and Humanities

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2011 National Student Juried Exhibition

volume 32, 2011

National Council on Education for the Ceramics Arts

2010

Clay Time, ceramics magazine, Gallery section

Volume 16, Issue 86 springs 2010

15481 Second St., PO Box 365, Waterford, VA 20197

2009

Raku Firing, Fort Dodge Message

Newspaper, Life Style

Fort Dodge, IA, 50501

2007 **“Online Interview”, With Dr. Ralph Stuckman, the Managing Editor/the Potter's Shed Art to Art Palette, Potter's Shed Section**
2008-09 Fall/Winter print journal edition
610 Linden Ave. Celina, OH 45822

Technical Abilities

Ceramics

Hand building, wheel-throwing, mold making, press molding, slip casting, plaster, clay and glaze formulation, slip decorating and glazing techniques, printmaking techniques using ceramic materials, electric, gas oxidation, gas reduction, salt and soda kiln firing, electric kiln repair, ceramic restoration and repair, studio maintenance and safety, kiln building

Mold Making

Plaster, silicone and resin, wax, rubber

Casting

Plaster, bronze, aluminum, wax, ceramics shell, rubber, 2 part liquid plastic, resin

2-D

Printmaking, Papermaking, bookmaking, stencil and photographic screen-printing on paper and fabric, screen-printing, relief printing, shop maintenance and safety

Woodshop

Stationary power tools, hand power tools, manual tools, shop maintenance and safety

Miscellaneous

Digital photography for documentation

Computers

Software PC and mac platforms, Microsoft Office, Adobe Photoshop, autoCAD, Rhino, CNC(Wood, metal, Plastic), Laser CNC, Plasma CNC

Languages

English, Chinese, Cantonese

Professional References

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