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Education

- 2014 **Master of Fine Arts – Ceramics:** University of Nebraska-Lincoln
2010 **Bachelor of Fine Arts – Ceramics Cum Laude:** University of Georgia
2008 Summer Glaze Calc: Alfred University, Alfred, NY.

Professional Experience

- 2015-2017 **Western State Colorado University, Gunnison, Colorado**
Lecturer: Introduction to Art, Online (4 sections)
Designed and developed online in introduction to art course for Blackboard. Included PowerPoints, videos, and lessons in what is art?, themes and purposes of art, elements and principles of art, evaluating art, and media areas of art (drawing, painting, printmaking, photography, ceramics, sculpture, film and the moving image, and craft disciplines). Taught the course online with all communication via blackboard and university email.
- 2014 **University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Nebraska**
Adjunct Faculty: Three Dimensional Design (1 section)
Worked with other sculpture faculty to develop and implement a new structure for the 3D design course. Taught a 16 week long course in 3D design. Prepared PowerPoints and lessons. Discussed students work, building methods, and led critiques. Communicated and maintained safe and clean sculpture studio procedures.
- 2013 **Doane College Lincoln campus, Lincoln, Nebraska**
Summer Adjunct Faculty: Ceramics (1 section)
Developed curriculum and taught eight week long class in handbuilding and wheel throwing skills to college students. Maintained a clean and safe environment. Loaded and fired all students work
- 2013 **Lux Center for the Arts, Lincoln, Nebraska**
Art Instructor: Community Ceramics class
Developed curriculum and taught eight week long classes in handbuilding skills to adults. Maintained a clean and safe environment. Loaded and fired all students work.
- 2011-2014 **University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Nebraska**
Instructor of Record: Ceramics for Non-Majors (2 sections)
Graduate Teaching Assistant: Beginning Ceramics (4 Sections)
Two years maintaining all aspects of the clay departments glaze room materials. One year restocking and maintaining the clay departments inventory. Three years firing gas, soda and electric kilns for personal work and students work. Restructured departments

glaze tile board and revamped department glazes. Created systems and communication methods for students and staff in maintaining an organized and safe studio environment. Resource person for undergraduate students in all areas of studio needs including construction of clay work, studio procedures. Organized professors classes, maintained a complicated structured calendar each semester. Ran weekly kiln meetings to establish a clear schedule while ensuring rules and procedures were followed. One year as Clay Clubs treasure, keeping clear communication between members and University policy, managing finances and running meetings. Minor wheel repair and minor repairs on electric kilns. Leader of kiln building group for three separate projects rebuilding gas kiln door, rebuilding gas kiln roof, and rebuilding entire soda kiln. Three years of instructing students in proper and safe clay mixing techniques. Developed and instructed my own class projects for two of my own classes and for components of the classes I was an assistant for. Discussed project ideas with students, helped them push ideas, problem solve technical issues, facilitated in their searching for external resources.

- 2006-2011 **Good Dirt Clay Studio, Athens, Georgia**
 Ceramic Instructor:
 On and Off the Wheel (7 sections)
 Beginning Sculpture Techniques (2 sections)
 Sculpting the Figure in Clay (1 section)
Instructed a diverse population of adult community members in various methods of clay construction both on and off the wheel. Also taught a few weeks of children's summer camps in early methods of clay construction.
- 2008-2010 **University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia**
 Ceramic Area Work Study
Maintaining a clean studio, managing clay reclaim, stocking materials, making glazes, loading and firing electric kilns.
- 2005-2008 **Good Dirt Clay Studio Assistant, Athens, Georgia**
General studio duties four hours per week. Making glazes, maintaining glazes, loading kilns, cleaning studio, communicating with studio members, reclaiming clay, glazing children's work.

Awards

- 2014 **Outstanding Graduate Teaching Assistant Award**, University of Nebraska
 2013 **NCECA Student Juried Show Retired Professors Award**, Houston, TX
 2011-2014 **Othmer Fellowship**, University of Nebraska
 2011-2014 **Graduate Teaching Assistantship**, University of Nebraska
 2010 **Wesleyan College Murphey Art Building Honorarium**, Macon, GA
 2010 **Aardvark Clay Purchase Award**, NCECA Student Juried Show
 2009 **Jane Wilson Scholarship**, Cortona Study Abroad Program, UGA
 2009 **Outstanding Student Worker Award**, Work Study, University of Georgia
 2008 **Vince Dooley Scholarship**, University of Georgia
 2007-2008 **Willie Anne Patterson Memorial Scholarship**, University of Georgia
 2003 **Work Of Note**, Kirkland Summerfest

Selected Exhibitions

- 2016 **Both Sides Now Jeffrey Whittle and Crisha Yantis.**
Linda Matney Gallery, Williamsburg, VA
- 2015 **Transitory Identifications.** Linda Matney Gallery, Williamsburg, VA
- 2016 **Western State Colorado University Faculty Exhibition.**
Gunnison Arts Center, Gunnison, CO
- 2014 **MFA Degree Candidate Exhibition.** Eisentrager-Howard Gallery, Lincoln, NE
- 2014-2015 **Cup: The Intimate Object XI.** Charlie Cummings Gallery. Gainesville, FL
- 2013 **Art House on City Square.** Linda Matney Gallery. Williamsburg, VA
- 2013 **NCECA, National Student Juried Exhibition.** Houston, TX
- 2013 **Medici Exhibition.** Eisentrager-Howard Art Gallery,
University of Nebraska, Lincoln, NE
- 2012 **UNL Clay Club.** Gallery Nine, Lincoln, NE
- 2010 **NCECA, National Student Juried Exhibition**
Rosenwald Wolf Gallery, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2010 **BFA Degree Candidate.** Lamar Dodd School of Art. Athens, GA
- 2010 **Bart Lynch and Crisha Yantis.** Wesleyan College Murphey Art Building, Macon, GA
- 2010 **Georgia Small Works** at Oconee Cultural Arts Foundation, Watkinsville, GA
- 2009 **Annual Student Competition.** Lamar Dodd School of Art. Athens, GA
- 2009 **Crisha Yantis.** Macon Arts Gallery, Macon, GA
- 2007 **Triple Take.** MudFire Gallery. Decatur, GA
- 2006-2011 **Fired Works.** Macon Arts Gallery. Macon, GA
- 2005 **Functional Works For The Table.** Good Dirt Gallery. Athens, GA
- 2005 **Benefit For Red Cross Hurricane Katrina Victims.** Updown Gallery, Athens, GA
- 2005 **Juried Gallery.** Edmonds Art Festival. Edmonds, WA

Citations/Reviews

- 2014 500 Figures in Clay Volume 2. February 4, 2014
- 2011 Status Hat. Stories in Clay. April 2011
- 2011 BLVD. The Best of Etsy in Athens. January 2011. p. 48-49
- 2010 Clay Times, Summer. "The Gallery", Vol. 16, Issue 87, p. 34
- 2010 Athens Food and Culture. "Artistically Speaking", April 2010 Vol. 2 Num. 4, p. 24-24.
- 2008 Flagpole Cover. Vol. 22, No. 22. Athens, Ga.
- 2006 "Potters Throw Different Kind of Bowl Party. Raising Hunger Awareness", Athens Banner-Herald, 6 Jan. p. cover and A8. By Merritt Melancon.
- 2005 "Proportions In Pottery", Athens Banner-Herald, 11 Dec. Chris J. Starrs. Photo by David Walter Banks.

Other Achievements

- 2014 Lincoln Arts Council Community Supported Art Project. Lincoln, NE