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Currently teaching art and design at Columbia College Chicago, doing freelance design, and working on an assortment of mixed media studio projects. In addition, art editor for MUZZLE Magazine, an art and literary journal, and working on Pattern+Source, an online archive of multi-media surface design.

education

Columbia College Post-Bachelor Certificate of Major, Graphic Design, 2009
University of Wisconsin-Madison Master of Fine Arts, Painting and Sculpture, 2003
Skidmore College Bachelor of Science, Fine Arts major, Art History minor, 2000
Studio Art Centers International Study Abroad Program, Florence, Italy, 1998

teaching

Columbia College Adjunct Faculty and Academic Advisor, 2007 to date
Web Design Two, 2011
Color Strategies, 2011
Web Design One, 2010 to date
Design Lab, 2009 to date
Two Dimensional Design, 2007 to 2010

Hastings College Assistant Professor, Art Department, and Gallery Director, 2003 to 2007
studio classes: Introduction to Painting, 2003 to 2007
Advanced Painting, 2003 to 2007
Two Dimensional Design, 2003 to 2007
Directed Study/Independent Study, 2003 to 2007
Visiting Artist Lecture/Workshop Series, Interim 2006
Alternative Painting Methods, Interim 2004
Color Theory and Composition, Spring 2004
lecture classes: Postmodernism and Art Now, Spring 2006
Foundations of Modern Art, Fall 2006
Art History I, Fall 2004 and 2005
Art History II, Spring 2005
Modernism, Postmodernism, and Contemporary Art, Spring 2005
Performance and Art (taught with Professor Jim Fritzler, in association with a school trip to NYC), Interim 2005
Italian Renaissance, Spring 2004
The Human Figure in Contemporary Art, Fall 2003
committee membership: National Lecture Series Committee, 2006 to 2007
Senior Thesis (Chair), 2006 to 2007
Fine Arts Division (Chair), 2005 to 2007
Political Science Hiring Committee, 2005
Junior Thesis (Chair), 2005
Intellectual Property Rights Sub-Committee, 2004
Junior Thesis and Senior Thesis Committees, 2003 to 2007
Faculty Advisor for the Artists' Guild, the Hastings College Student Art Organization, 2003 to 2007
Chaperon for a school trip to Chicago's SOFA show, 2003

University of Wisconsin-Madison Teacher's Assistant, Instructor of Record, 2001 to 2003
Drawing Level II, 2002 to 2003
Two Dimensional Design, 2001 to 2002

related teaching work

HTML/CSS Demonstration	Columbia College Chicago, IL, 2011
Art Editor	Muzzle Magazine, muzzlemagazine.com, 2010 to date
Painting Demonstration	Hastings Art Club, 2007
Juror	Nebraska Art Teacher's Association Juried Show, Hastings, NE, 2006
Juror	St. Mark's Annual Juried Show, Hastings, NE, 2006
Director and Curator	Hastings College Gallery, 2005 to 2007
Artist Lecture	Artists' Guild Invited Artist Lecture Series, 2004
Visiting Artist Lecturer	Minnesota State University at Mankato, MN, 2003
Visiting Artist Lecturer	Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI, 2002
Shop Assistant	University of Wisconsin-Madison, Relief Printmaking Studio, 2001
Teacher's Assistant	Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs, NY, Photography Lab, 1999 to 2000

web design

Navitas Partners	CMS, CSS, navitas-partners.com, 2011
Pattern+Source	CMS, HTML/CSS, Illustrator, patternsource.org, 2011
Instinct Tile	Landing page, HTML/CSS, instincttile.com, 2011
Chicago Danztheater Ensemble	CMS, HTML/CSS, danztheatre.org, 2010
Yarnia Custom Yarn	Design layout, customyarn.com, 2010
Ben Clark Poetry	CMS, HTML/CSS, and illustrations, benclarkpoetry.com, 2010
Faxon Design	CMS, HTML/CSS, faxondesign.com, 2010
Lowitz & Company	HTML/CSS, lowitzandcompany.com, 2009
Foundry Art Tiles	HTML/CSS, lowitzandcompany.com/foundryart/index.html, 2009
Stephanie Adams Art	CMS, HTML/CSS, stephanieadamsartist.com, 2009
Sticky Worldwide	Internship, web design, 2009
One Month	HTML/CSS, and illustrations, onemonthproject.com, 2008

print design

Gayle's Chocolates	Layout design for various chocolate packaging, 2011 to date
Muzzle Magazine	Layout design for <i>Best of Issue</i> , available through <i>Mag cloud</i> , 2011
Write Bloody Publishing	<i>Reasons to Leave the Slaughter</i> , cover and book layout, 2010 to 2011
SERRV	Packaging design for Sindyanna of Galilee products 2010 to 2011
Jane Addams Hull House Museum at UIC	<i>A Day in the Life</i> , exhibition labels, 2010
Amy Reichert Architecture + Design	Exhibition wall graphic design for the Chicago Mayor's Conference, 2010
Chicago Danztheater Ensemble	Logo for Chicago Danztheatre Ensemble and Kids Project, 2009
Organa Photography	Logo, business card, and sticker packaging, 2009
Sticky Worldwide	Internship, illustration and logo design, 2009
Jo Minaxe Photography	Photography book layout, business card, logo, gallery display signs, 2009
Simpson Academy For Young Women/CPS	Poster and pamphlet layout for school play, 2009
Chicago Alliance Against Sexual Exploitation	Flyer and various study document layouts, 2008, 2009

art and design exhibitions

ArtFutura	Northwestern University Lurie Center, Chicago, IL, 2011
THE COLLECTION	Private collection of Angela Graham, Graham Gallery, Hastings, NE, 2011
Sketchbook Project	Touring show, locations including Brooklyn Art Library, Austin Museum of Art, SPACE Gallery in Portland, OR, The Granite Room in Atlanta, GA, Hillyer Art Space in Washington D.C., Form/Space Atellerin Seattle, WA, 111 Minna Gallery in San Francisco, CA, Hyde Park Art Center in Chicago, IL.
Float	Wicker Park's Eyeporium Gallery, Chicago, IL, 2010
Underground Art Show and Auction	Bemis Center For Contemporary Arts, Omaha, NE, 2010
Gimme Baby Robots	Various locations including Chicago, IL, San Francisco, CA, and Portland, OR, 2008 to 2011

Just Good Art Hyde Park Art Center, 2009
 Birmingham Art Association Annual Show Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association, Birmingham, MI, 2009, 2008
 Project 31 Co-creator, project31blog.com, 2008 and 2009
 Collaboration Graham Gallery, Hastings, NE, 2009
 Illustrated Anthology of Short Stories Vespine Gallery, Chicago, IL, 2008
 Self-Portraits Juror: Angela Graham, artist and gallery owner, Graham Gallery, Hastings, NE, 2008
 Hastings College Permanent Collection Hastings College Art Gallery, Hastings, NE, 2008
 General Collection Tercera Gallery, Palo Alto, CA, 2008
 Open Fivepoints Arthouse, San Francisco, CA, 2007
 Saint Mark's Art Festival Saint Mark's Cathedral, Hastings, NE, 2007
 Miniatures and Multiples Around the Coyote Gallery, Chicago, IL, 2006
 Art Walk Isadore Gallery, Lancaster, PA, 2006
 Holiday Show Graham Gallery, Hastings, NE, 2006
 Wish List Modern Arts Midwest, Lincoln, NE, 2006
 GROUPGROUP Commonwealth Gallery, Madison, WI, 2006
 Two Painters and a Potter Isadore Gallery, Lancaster, PA, 2006
 Abstraction Graham Gallery, Hastings, NE, 2006
 Lowest Common Denominator Slingshot Gallery, Madison, WI, 2006
 New Work Modern Arts Midwest, Lincoln, NE, 2006
 Hastings College Faculty Show Hastings College Gallery, Hastings, NE, 2006
 NOVA Young Art Fair Chicago, IL, 2005
 Performing One Particular Function Marsh Special Projects Gallery, Herron School of Art and Design, Indianapolis, IN, 2005
 Winter Show Modern Arts Midwest, Lincoln, NE, 2005
 In a Good Way (solo) Graham Gallery, Hastings, NE, 2005
 Wish List Modern Arts Midwest, Lincoln, NE, 2005
 Art 101 The Space, Austin, TX, 2005
 Seven Reasons to Leave Your Home Beverly Art Center, Chicago, IL, 2005
 Mooncaste Blue Moon, Hastings, NE, 2005
 Upsy Daisy! Three Rivers Arts Festival Gallery, Pittsburgh, PA, 2005
 Annual Hastings Juried Art Exhibit Juror: Dave Stewart, artist and gallery owner, Phelps Fine Art Gallery, Hastings, NE, 2005
 Young Painters Exhibition Juror: Laurie Firstenbert, Assistant Director and Curator of the MAK Center for Art and Architecture in LA California, Miami University, Oxford, OH
 59th Juried Exhibition Juror: James Rondeau, Author, Sioux City Art Center, Sioux City, IA, 2005
 Expogallery International Art Exhibition Juror: Eugene Al. Pann, Gallery Director, Backstreet Gallery, Santa Monica, CA, 2005
 The Stray Show Chicago, IL, 2004
 think small Illinois State Museum, Chicago, Lockport, Rend Lake, Springfield, IL, 2004
 SADK Graham Gallery, Hastings, NE, 2004
 Back Corner Club Phelps Gallery, Hastings, NE, 2004
 Pretty Vacant And Gallery, Saint Paul, MN, 2004
 13 x 13 Red Rocket Gallery, Chicago, IL, 2004
 Zip (solo) Seventh Floor Gallery, Madison, WI, 2003
 Small Works Limner Gallery, New York, NY, 2003
 Turner McGehee and Debra Kayes Hastings College Gallery, Hastings, NE, 2003
 Domestics, Seventh Floor Gallery Madison, WI, 2003
 Another Line... The 410 Project, Mankato, MN, 2003
 Rock Lock Effie Conkling Gallery, Minnesota State University, Mankato, MN, 2003
 New Work King's Foot Gallery, Madison, WI, 2003

The End Seventh Floor Gallery, Madison, WI, 2003
 Carry on Drawing Juror: Avantika Bawa, Curator/ Director, Aquaspace, Clubs Project, Inc., Southeastern College Art Conference, Australia and North Carolina, 2003
 Bite Your Lip Jurors: Donna Feigel and Michelle Grabner, artist/author, Studio Quest, Madison, WI, 2003
 Girls Seventh Floor Gallery, Madison, WI, 2002
 Airplane ArtSpace, Chicago, IL, 2002
 Work by Ada Gonzalez and Debra Kayes The 734 Gallery, Madison, WI, 2002
 Triagainennial One night truck show, Madison, WI, March 9, 2002
 Spring Salon Limner Gallery, New York, NY, 2002
 Two Down Review Show University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2002
 Kresge Art Center Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI, 2002
 Group Work Otherwise Gallery, Lansing, MI, 2002
 Carry on Drawing Juror: Avantika Bawa, Curator/ Director, Aquaspace, Seventh Floor Gallery, Madison, WI, Traveling exhibition. Other sites include India Habitat Center India, Minneapolis College of Art and Design Minneapolis, MN, Washington State University Pullman, WA, Alternative Spaces in the Badlands Glacier National Park, The Beguiling Toronto, Ontario, 2002
 Autobiographies Juror: Mary K. O'Shaughnessy, Wood Street Gallery, Woman Made Gallery, Chicago, IL, 2002
 National Prize Show Juror: Lisa Dennison, Deputy Director and Chief Curator of the Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, NYC, Cambridge Art Association, Cambridge, MA, 2002
 Annual Juried Exhibition Juror: Doug De Vinny, artist, Lemon Street Gallery and Art Space, Inc., Kenosha, WI, 2002
 156 Miles Juror: Wood Street Gallery, Wood Street Gallery and Sculpture Garden, Chicago, IL, 2002
 Four Out of Five Dentists Approve Seventh Floor Gallery, Madison, WI, 2001
 Art Hop Huntington Woods, MI, 2001
 Catapult VU Satellite Gallery, Whatcom Museum of History and Art, Bellingham, WA, 2001
 Inflate Show University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2001
 For Lease Temporary Gallery, Madison, WI, 2001
 Annual Juried Show Porter Butts Gallery, Madison, WI, 2001
 Art Hop Huntington Woods, MI, 2000
 Printmaking All-stars 734 Gallery, Madison, WI, 2000
 Senior Thesis Show Skidmore College Gallery, Saratoga Springs, NY, 2000
 Annual Juried Show Skidmore College Gallery, Saratoga Springs, NY, 2000
 Feast for the Senses Case Gallery, Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs, NY, 1997

publications and web sites

ArtSlant artslant.com, November 2010
 Chicago Reader "Morning Art" chicagoreader.com, Julia Thiel, November 12, 2010
 Bestiary Magazine Issue One, available through *Mag Cloud*, magcloud.com/browse/Issue/96271, 2010
 Craig Jobson's Publication Design Class Site *Digest*, work.colum.edu/~jobson/AClass/a5bk.html, 2009
 Project 31 Co-creator, project31.wordpress.com, 2008
 Fecal Face.com chicagoartsdistrict.org/event_detail.asp?eventid=568, 2008
 Harry Krishna harrykrishna.com/splash.html, , 2008
 Chicago Artists' Coalition caonline.org/event.asp?eventid=24698, 2007
 "Visual Art: 'Open.'" San Francisco Gate. San Francisco, CA. October 4, 2007
 New American Paintings Western Competition, #72, newamericanpaintings.com/, 2007
 Ross Martens secretagentmartens.com/links.html#, 2007

Del.icio.us del.icio.us/jawright2, 2007
 Gimme Baby Robots gbr.siamesebirds.com/, 2007
 Suzan-Lori Parks, 365 DAYS / 365 PLAYS fritzej.googlepages.com/365days365playsinhastings, 2006
 Bad At Sports badatsports.com, 2006
 Around the Coyote Gallery aroundthecoyote.org/, 2006
 L Squared Studios lsquaredstudios.blogspot.com, 2006
 "Two Painters & a Potter at Isadore Gallery."
 Visit PA visitpa.com, 2006
 redOrbit redorbit.com/news/health/601888/special_events_first_friday_events_galleries_country_classics/index.html, 2006
 Lancaster Arts lancasterarts.com/pages/index.php?pID=40, 2006
 Pennsylvania Midstate Events pamidstate.com/cgi-bin/db/list.cgi?eid=1509&Sponsor=, 2006
 "Fresh Produce: Modern Arts Midwest..."
 Michael Krainak, City Weekly, Omaha, NE, May 31-June 6, 2006
 Three Walls three-walls.org/artist_files, 2006
 "Faculty Art on Display."
 Danny Nicklin, Collegian, Hastings, NE. February 16, 2006
 "College Displays Unique Gallery of Art."
 Adam Freeman KHAS-TV, January 6, 2006
 "Artist's reception..."
 Eloise Marie Valadez, Daily Southtown. Chicago, IL, March 30, 2005
 "Artists Exert Their Will to Make Blooms..."
 Kurt Shaw, Pittsburgh Tribune Review. Pittsburgh, PA, March 29, 2005
 Three Rivers Arts Gallery artsfestival.net/gallery.htmL, 2005
 Pittsburgh's Edge pittsburghsedge.com/viewcontent.cfm?content=13&content_type=Article&department=4, 2005
 think small! Exhibit
 Illinois State Museum. aeroknow.com/images/ism40556.jpg, 2005
 Painting, Potential and Indeterminacy
 Lauri Firstenberg, Miami University Young Painters Exhibition, fna.
 muohio.edu/paintcomp/juror05.html, 2005
 The Museum of Temporary Art
 Tubingen, Germany museum-of-temporary-art.com, exhibit no. 15, 2005
 Backstreet Gallery
 Expogallery International Art Exhibition, Santa Monica, CA, expogallery.com/dkayes.htm, 2004
 "Public Art."
 Steven Lincoln, Bronco Bits, Vol. 16, #7. Hastings, NE, January 29, 2004
 "Effective Use of Space."
 Adam Arnold, Badger Herald, 2003
 "Unnatural Materials: A Visual Examination."
 Laura Berman, Review. Kansas City, MO, September 2003
 No Fun no-fun.org, 2003

selected grants and honors

Polished Apple Award
 Hastings College Student Alumni Ambassadors, 2006
 William and Dorothy Yeck Award
 Finalist, Miami University, 2005
 Internet Publication and Promotions Award
 Expogallery International Art Exhibition, CA, 2004
 Albert K. Murray Fine Arts Educational Grant
 2002 and 2003
 Vocation and Values Grant
 Hastings College 2004
 Annual Juried Exhibition, Honorable Mention
 Lemon Street Gallery and Art Space, Inc., Kenosha, WI, 2002
 Dedalus Foundation
 Nominee, 2002
 Graduated Cum Laude
 Skidmore College, NY, 2000
 Departmental and College Honors
 Skidmore College, 2000
 Periclean Honors Society
 Skidmore College, 2000
 Student Opportunities Grant
 Skidmore College, 2000

skills

Design Adobe Suite
 Web XHTML HTML5, CSS3, JQuery and some Javascript, and PHP
 Content Management Systems Wordpress, Concrete5, CMS Made Simple, and Joomla!

memberships

AIGA 2008 to date
 National Education Association 2007 to date

College Art Association	2003 to date
Nebraska Arts Council	2004 to 2007
No Fun Artist Group	2002 to date
Hastings College Artists' Guild	2003 to 2007
UW Teaching Assistants Association	2001 to 2003

notable private collections

Brooklyn Art Library	Sketchbook Project
Hastings College	Permanent Collection
Skidmore College	Photography Collection