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Education: 2016 MFA, Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS
2009 BA, Studio Art and English, Austin College, Sherman, TX

Selected Solo Shows

2023	Birger Sandzen Memorial Gallery, Lindsborg, KS.
2023	Johnson County Public Library Central Branch, Overland Park, KS.
2022	547 Arts Center, Greensburg, KS.
2021	The Gallery at Kansas Wesleyan University, Salina, KS.
2021	Ebel Gallery, Tabor College, Hillsboro, KS.
2019	Final Week Feature, Strecker Nelson West Gallery, Manhattan, KS.
2018	547 Arts Center, Greensburg, KS.
2017	Gallery Narrow, Kansas City, MO.
2016	Pioneer Bluffs Gallery, Matfield Green, KS.
2016	"Picturesque", Fraction Gallery, Kansas City, MO.
2016	"Picturesque: Decolonization & the Prairie", Mark A. Chapman Gallery, Manhattan, KS.
2015	"Catch & Release", The Bank Gallery, Matfield Green, KS.
2015	"New Pictures at an Exhibition", Parkville Presbyterian Church, Parkville, MO.
2014	"Order & Abandon", Dennis Gallery, Austin College, Sherman, TX.
2014	Arapaho National Forest AA Barn, Granby, CO.

Selected Group Shows

2023	AMoA Biennial 2023 Juried show, Amarillo Museum of Art, Amarillo, TX
2023	"Visions of the Flint Hills" Juried show, Buttonwood Art Space, Kansas City, MO
2023	CCAN National Juried Show 2023 (1st Place in Mixed Media), Center for Contemporary Arts, Abilene, TX
2023	Salon50 Invitational, Salina Art Center, Salina, KS
2023	ArtistINC Topeka Exhibition, ArtsConnect, Topeka, KS
2022	Symphony in the Flint Hills juried show, Cottonwood Falls, KS.
2022	George Schlegel Gallery, Roeland Park, KS
2022	"Visions of the Flint Hills" Juried show, Buttonwood Art Space, Kansas City, MO
2022	Salina Biennial Juried Show (2nd Place in Show), Salina Art Center, Salina, KS.
2022	"Small Wonders" Invitational show, Birger Sandzén Gallery, Lindsborg, KS
2022	"In (And Out of) Place" The Volland Store, Volland, KS
2022	"What on Earth is Happening?" Mark Arts, Wichita, KS
2022	"Foraging" Manhattan Arts Center, Manhattan, KS
2021	"Restoration Work" Garis Gallery, Chisholm Trail Heritage Center, Duncan, OK
2021	"Atomic Number 13" Vertical Gallery, Chicago, IL

- 2021 “Moments Like This” Woman Made Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2017-21 Symphony in the Flint Hills juried show, Cottonwood Falls, KS.
- 2019-21 “Visions of the Flint Hills” Juried show, Buttonwood Art Space, Kansas City, MO.
- 2020 Thornhill Gallery, Avila University, Kansas City, MO.
- 2019 “Visions of the Flint Hills” Juried show, Buttonwood Art Space, Kansas City, MO.
- 2019 “Prairie Perspectives” Manhattan Arts Center, Manhattan, KS.
- 2019 Symphony in the Flint Hills Juried Show Cottonwood Falls, KS.
- 2018 “Urban|Rural Invitational” The Volland Store, Volland, KS.
- 2018 “Flint Hills Field Journal Journal Exhibition” Cottonwood Falls, KS.
- 2018 “Flora”, Vanessa Lacy Gallery, Kansas City, MO.
- 2017 “Kelly Yarbrough-Frasier & Matt Regier” Symphony in the Flint Hills Gallery, Cottonwood Falls, KS.
- 2017 “Contemplative Environments”, Old Masonic Hall, Breckenridge, CO. Part of Breckenridge International Festival of Art
- 2017 “The Chisolm Trail”, Symphony of the Flint Hills Gallery, Cottonwood Falls, KS.
- 2016 “Walking Through Glue”, www.mfaexhibitiononline.org.
- 2016 “KSU Art Graduate Exhibition”, Manhattan Arts Center, Manhattan, KS.
- 2015 “Thinking Through Drawing”, International Drawing & Cognition Research and Education, South Bank, London, UK.
- 2015 “Current Works by KSU Graduate Students”, Manhattan Arts Center, Manhattan, KS.
- 2015 “Making: Progress”, Beach Museum of Art, Manhattan, KS. *Juror: Kat Griefen.*
- 2014 “Collective Input”, Chapman Gallery, Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS.
- 2013 “Common Threads”, Dennis Gallery, Sherman, TX.
- 2011 Social Justice Week at The University of Texas School of Social Work, Austin, TX.
- 2011 “Nature Working!”, 910 Arts, Denver, CO.
- 2011 Hunting Art Prize Finalists, Houston, TX.
- 2010 “Undead”, Ghost Town Arts Collective, Denison, TX.
- 2009 Art Out of Thin Air Members’ Show, Fraser, CO.
- 2009 “Traveling Show from (No)where”, 500x Gallery, Dallas, TX.

Selected Teaching & Workshop Experience

- 2021 **KSAAE Teachers PD Workshop “Observation & Inquiry”**
Created & led a new virtual workshop in collaboration with Ecologist Courtney Masterson.
- 2020 -21 **Artist INC Program Facilitator (Virtual)**
Completed training and facilitation of 8-week online course for artists in Topeka region. Artist INC is a program of Mid-America Arts Alliance and facilitates professional development and peer networks for artists.
- 2018 **Instructor of Record: ART190 Drawing 1 (Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS)**
- 2016 **Studio Instructor (Front Range Community College Community Studio Program, Fort Collins, CO.)**
Art instructor at transitional housing program for adults experiencing homelessness, in partnership with Front Range Community College.

2013-16 **Graduate Teaching Assistant (Department of Art, Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS)**
2/2 teaching schedule with: ART100(2D Design), ART190(Drawing 1), ART425(Intro to Art in Education), and ART320(Water Media 1).

Residencies, Visiting Artist Roles, Public Speaking Engagements

2023 Johnson County Libraries Writers Conference and Poetry Walk with Kansas Poet Laureate, Overland Park, KS.
2023 Wildfire & Water Residency at PLAYA, Summer Lake, OR.
2023 Featured artist and speaker, Flint Hills Counterpoint Fall Festival, Marion, KS
2023 Program Instructor, Art & Environment Field School, University of Colorado Boulder
2021 Guest Speaker, “Rewilding” Shadowcliff Communniversity Series, virtual.
2021 Guest Speaker, TEDx Austin College, Sherman, TX.
2021 Panel Moderator, “Love Your Watershed” series, Manhattan, KS
2021 Visiting Artist, Water Media, Tabor College, Hillsboro, KS.
2021 Visiting Artist lecture, University of Central Missouri, Warrensburg, MO.
2020 Panel Moderator, “CoDwelling Panel Series”, Manhattan, KS
2020 Artist-in-Residence, Red Barn Studio, Lindsborg, KS.
2019 Panel Moderator, “Public Art in MHK”, Strecker Nelson West Gallery, Manhattan, KS.
2019 Guest juror and lecture, Northwest Missouri State University, Maryville, MO.
2019 Artist panel participant, “Urban:Rural Invitational”, The Volland Store, Volland, KS.
2019 Breakout session presenter, Ecosphere Studies Gathering, Perennial Agriculture Project Field Station, Lawrence, KS
2017 Guest lecture & student studio visits, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO.
2016 Artist-in-Residence & presenter, Artworks Loveland, Loveland, CO.
2016 Visiting Artist workshop & presentation, Austin College, Sherman, TX.
2014 Visiting Artist solo show, workshop and presentation, Austin College, Sherman, TX.
2014 Artist-in-Residence, Grand County Creatives, Grand Lake, CO.

Gallery Representation

2018-present Prairiebrooke Gallery, Overland Park, KS.
2009-11 Brooks Gallery, Grand Lake, CO.

Selected Employment

2019 – Present **Regional Representative/Tallgrass Artist Residency Lead Administrator**
(Kansas Creative Arts Industries Commission)

Identify and build relationships with arts organizations and resources in Northeast and Southeast Kansas, and advise on KCAIC program grants. Long-term focus areas of statewide program development include Art & Ecology and Residency Programs. Includes managing the Tallgrass Artist Residency Program since 2016.

2017-2021 **Director of Community Programming (Prairiewood Preserve, Manhattan, KS)**

Developing strategic vision and implementation of public programming for a 400+ acre privately owned prairie preserve and event venue. Notable projects include coordinating regular open trail days and educational programming, a pay-it-forward women’s speaker series, grant-funded artist residency project, and video podcast.

2016-17 **Program Coordinator (Shadowcliff Lodge, Grand Lake, CO)**

On-site summer coordinator for visiting groups at non-profit mountain lodge. Off-season role as project assistant for WaterSmart grant project which established the Upper Colorado River Watershed Group in Grand County, CO.

- 2013-16 **Graduate Teaching Assistant (Department of Art, Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS)**
Taught foundational courses in 2D Design, Drawing 1, Intro to Art in Education, and Water Media 1.
- 2011-13 **Marketing & Digital Content Development**
Amy Barickman, LLC and Indygo Junction, Inc., Prairie Village, KS. (www.indygojunction.com)
- 2011 ***America: Now and Here: Kansas City team member***
Traveling contemporary group art exhibition and programming created and curated by Eric Fischl.
- 2010-11 **Marketing Coordinator & Graphic Design**
Handmade Expressions (now *Matr Boomie*), Austin, TX. (<http://matrboomie.com/>)

Notable Service

- 2018-Present **Shadowcliff Lodge Board of Directors**
- 2018-Present **Friends of the Konza Prairie Board and KEEP Docent**
- 2020-2022 **Beach Museum of Art Advisory Board**
- 2020-2022 **Greater Manhattan Community Foundation Public Art Advisory Committee**
- 2018-Present **Manhattan Arts Center Gallery Committee**
- 2017-2018 **Symphony in the Flint Hills Gallery Coordinator, Cottonwood Falls, KS.**
- 2011-13 **Hello Art: Volunteer, Kansas City, MO**

Publications

- 2016-21 Symphony of the Flint Hills Field Journal.
- 2020 The New Territory Magazine, featured artist. Issue 09.
- 2020 Piney Woods Atlas, contributor. Midwest issue.
- 2019 Contra Viento Journal, featured artist. Issue 01.
- 2016 The Pinch Literary Journal, University of Memphis. Spring 2016.
- 2012 Presence Journal, cover feature, December 2012.