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## **Education:**

Post Bachelors Studies, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, IL 2012-2014. BFA in Crafts concentrating in ceramics, Kent State University, Kent, OH 2012.

# **Teaching Experience:**

Community Outreach Ceramics instructor, Juniata College, Huntingdon, PA. 2017- Present

# Other Relevant Experience:

### 2023

Craft Apprentice, Berea College, Berea, KY. August 14- November 14. Resident Artist, Berea College, Berea KY. November 15- November 28.

#### **Exhibitions:**

#### 2024

Feral & Functional, Purposeful Forms from Wild Clay, Ology Gallery, Thunderbolt, GA. May 17-July 12. Juror: Hamish Jackson

*In Hand*, The Art School at Old Church, Mikhail Zakin Gallery, Demarest, NJ. May 10-June 14. Juror: Bruce Dehnert

*Mug Madness,* Saltstone Ceramics, Seattle, WA. March 1-March 31. Jurors: JuniperClay and MCT Pottery

#### 2023

Ditch Witch, Tredennick Gallery, Berea College, Berea, KY. November 6- November 10. Two Person Exhibition

Winter Warmers Cup Show, Good Earth Pottery, Bellingham, WA . January 1-31. Juror: Ann Marie Cooper

#### 2022

Ritual: Art and Witchcraft, Women's Work Art, Poughkeepsie, NY. September 30- November 26. Juried Exhibition

Fired Up Around Huntingdon, Huntingdon County Arts Center, Huntingdon, PA. May 6- June 12. Curator: Rob Boryk

### 2021

*Just Another Bowl,* The Art Trust, West Chester, PA. September 29- November 5. Juror: Andrew J. Snyder

# 2018

Palliative Pour, Threadbare Cider & Mead/ Wigle Tasting Room at Omni William Penn Hotel, Pittsburgh, PA. March 2- March 30. Invitational Exhibition in correlation with NCECA as a Venue Generated Exhibition. Curator: Bethany Benson

And Now For Something Completely Different, BRICK Ceramic + Design Studio, Cleveland, OH. February 2- March 2. Solo Exhibition

Dark Slide, Cuyahoga Community College, Cleveland, OH. December 12- February 2. Invitational Exhibition Curator: Brian Sarama

# 2017

Fired Up Down in Huntingdon, Green Drake Gallery, Millheim, PA. November 3-December 31. Invitational Exhibition Curator: Karl Leitzel

*Teabowl National*, Bredin-Lee Gallery, Kansas City, MO. October 6-18. Juror: Chandra Debuse.

Recent Alumni Exhibition, Kent State University Center for the Visual Arts, Kent, OH. June 22-August 3. Juried Exhibition

*Mornings with...,* BRICK Ceramic + Design Studio, Cleveland, OH. February 3-April 7. Invitational Exhibition Curators: Brian Sarama and Valerie Grossman

TEA: The Ritual and Art, Plough Gallery, Tifton, GA. March 20- June 1. International Exhibition Juror: Michael White

3rd Annual Dirty South Cup Call and Competition, River Oaks Square Arts Center, Alexandria, LA. April 7 - May 27. Juror: Matt Long

# 2016

Mini SIU Exhibition, NCECA, Kansas City, MO. March 16- March 1.Curator: Pattie Chalmers

# 2015

*The Almighty Cup*, The Gandee Gallery, Fabius, NY. October 3 - November 22. Juror: Jeremy Randall

What Goes Bump in The Night, The Clay Arts Vegas, Las Vegas, NV. October 1- October 31. Jurors: John Gregg, Peter Jakubowski, and Clay Arts Vegas staff.

Starbrick Clay National Cup Show 2015, Starbrick Gallery, Nelsonville, OH. September 25 - October 25. Juror: David Hiltner

Tea Bowl National KC Clay Guild ThornHill Gallery, Avila University, Kansas City, MO. August 28 – September 18. Juror: Lisa Orr

Metastasis, The Art Space, Huntingdon, PA. June 5- June 30 2015. Solo Exhibition

Bloom - A Celebration of Spring Studio 550, Manchester, NH. April 20- May 30. Juried Exhibition

### 2014

*CRAFTED*, Society for Contemporary Craft, Pittsburgh, PA October 24-December 29. Invitational Exhibition

Shapes of Influence, Springfield Art Association, Springfield, IL, July 18-September 9. Juror: Harris Deller

13th Annual National Juried Cup Show, Down Town Gallery, Kent, OH. March 13- April 5. Juror: Jake Allee

Twin Cups: National Ceramics Exhibition 2014, MWSU Clay Guild: MWSU Art Department, Saint Joseph, MO. February 28 – March 28. Juror: Susan Speck

Pour 2014, Terra Incognito, Oak Park, IL. January 25 - February 26. Juror: David Toan

# 2013

Ornament, The Clay Studio, Philadelphia, PA. November 1-December 31. Juror: Naomi Cleary

The 4th Ceramics Biennale-Cup of Comfort International, Swope Art Museum/Halcyon Art Gallery, Terre Haute, IN. November 1- December 21. Juror: Ray Chen

Tea Bowl National, KC Clay Guild: ThornHill Gallery, Avila University, Kansas City, MO. August 23 – September 20. Juror: Doug Jeppesen

Small Favors VIII, The Clay Studio, Philadelphia, PA. May 3 - June 2. Jurors: Julie Moon, Michael Fujita and Hiroe Hanazomo

13th Annual National Juried Cup Show, Down Town Gallery, Kent, OH, March 13- April 20. Juror: Kirk Mangus

Coffee, Tea or ... #2, Terra Incognito, Oak Park, IL. February 24 -March 27. Juror: David Toan

### Selected Awards and Honors:

### 2014

Juror's Choice Award, Sponsored by Harris Deller and Drighten Research, Springfield Art Association's Shapes of Influence Exhibition. Springfield, IL.

## 2013

Out of the Box Purchase Award, sponsored by Susan Speck, Kansas City Clay Guild, Teabowl National. Kansas City, MO

### **Publications and Features:**

<u>Ceramics Monthly</u>, "Exposure": Images from New and Upcoming Exhibitions", page 22, September 2013 Issue.