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Education

Master of Fine Arts--Ceramics

School for American Crafts, Rochester Institute of Technology (1981-1983)

Bachelor of Fine Arts with Art Education Certification, K-12

Ohio Wesleyan University (1973-1977)

2 year apprenticeship with Robert Eckels, Bayfield, Wisconsin (1978-80)

Professional Experience

Associate Professor, Maine College of Art, Portland, ME (9/85 to present)

Studio Potter, Yarmouth and Islesford, Maine (1984 to present)

Instructor, Haystack Mountain School of Crafts, Deer Isle, ME (1997)

Resident Potter, Waimea Pottery, Nelson, New Zealand (1981)

Selected Exhibitions

To unravel the bind...Maine College of Art Faculty Triennial, Institute of Contemporary Art, Portland ME (2020)

The Clever Cup Invitational, Maine Craft Association, Gardiner ME (2020)

KC Clay Guild 2019 Teabowl National, Thornhill Gallery, Kansas City, MO (2019)

Strictly Functional Pottery National, Market House Crafts, Lancaster, PA (2019)

Dinnerware Show Invitational, Maine Craft Portland, Portland ME (2018)

Earth, Sea, and Sky, 2-person exhibition, Merrill Library, Yarmouth ME (2018-19)

Maine Craft Association Cup Invitational, Center for Maine Crafts, W.Gardiner, ME (2018)

On the Rocks: Drinking Vessel Exhibition, Pewabic Pottery Gallery, Detroit, ME (2018)

KC Clay Guild 2017 Teabowl National, Thornhill Gallery, Kansas City, MO (2017)

Carbondale Clay National XII, Carbondale Clay Center Gallery, CO (2017)

Twin Cups National, MWSU Clay Guild, St. Joseph, MO (2017)

Strictly Functional Pottery National, Market House Crafts, Lancaster, PA (2016)

Working Pots, James May Gallery, Algoma, WI (2016)

Kansas City Teabowl National, Thornhill Gallery, Kansas City, MO (2016)

The Intimate Cup XI, Charlie Cummings Gallery, Gainesville, FL (2015)

Potters Council Juried Exhibition, NCECA Providence RI, (2015)

MECA Ceramics Alumni and Faculty Exhibition, ArtProv Gallery, Providence RI (2015)

Twin Cups: National Ceramics Exhibition, Missouri Western U. (2014)

Ceramic World Cup Tournament, Hyart Gallery, Madison WI (2104)

Pots on Wheels, Pottery Invitational, Boston MA (2014)

The Intimate Cup X, Charlie Cummings Gallery, Ft Wayne, IN (2014)

The Inspired Hand VI, Atrium Art Gallery, Lewiston, ME (2014)

Strictly Functional Pottery Nat'l, Market House Crafts, Lancaster, PA (2011)
10th Annual National Juried Cup Show, Kent State University, Kent, OH (2010)
National Juried Cup Exhibition, Lux Center for the Arts, Lincoln, NE (2009)
MCA Invitational, Center for Maine Crafts, W. Gardiner, ME (2009)
8th Annual National Juried Cup Show, Kent State University, Kent, OH (2008)
Pots and Paintings, 2-person exhibition, G. Marshall Gallery, York, ME (2008)
National Plate Invitational, Blue Heron Gallery, Deer Isle, Maine (2007)
For the Table, Santa Fe Clay, Santa Fe, NM (2007)
The New Aesthetics of Ceramics, Robert Wilson Gallery, Huntington, IN (2007)
The Intimate Cup V, Charlie Cummings Gallery, Fort Wayne, IN (2007)
La Mesa, NCECA Conference, Portland, OR (2006)
13th Annual Strictly Functional Pottery Nat'l, Market House Crafts, PA (2005)
The Inspired Hand II, Atrium Art Gallery, Lewiston, Maine (2004)
12th Annual Strictly Functional Pottery Nat'l, Market House Crafts, PA (2004)
The Intimate Cup, Charlie Cummings Gallery, Fort Wayne, IN (2003 & '04)
For the Table, Santa Fe Clay Gallery, Santa Fe, NM (2002 and 2001)
Watershed Salad Days Exhibition, Watershed Center for Ceramic Arts (2005)
Women in the Arts, Colby College Museum of Art, Waterville, ME (2001)
Focus on Function, Katherine E. Nash Gallery, Minneapolis, MN (2000)
Coastal Functional, Vermont Clay Studio, Waterbury, VT (2000)
Solo Exhibition, Handworks Gallery, Blue Hill, ME (1999)
New Works, solo exhibition, Lakes Gallery, South Casco, ME (1998)
Pouring Vessels, Maine Coast Artists, Rockport, ME (1997)
Ceramics '97, Guilford Handcraft Center, Guilford, CT (1997)
Decades: RIT Alumni Exhibit, NCECA Conference, Rochester, NY (1996)
Makers '95, Colby College Museum, Waterville, ME (1995)
Ceramics USA 1995, Center for the Visual Arts, Denton, TX (1995)
The Clay Cup V, University Museum, Carbondale, IL (1995)
Solo Exhibition, Lynn Mayhew Gallery, Delaware, OH (1994)
2nd Annual Strictly Functional Pottery Nat'l, Market House Crafts, PA (1994)
8th Annual Nat'l Ceramic Competition, Museum of Fine Arts, TX (1993)
1st Annual Strictly Functional Pottery Nat'l, Market House Crafts, PA (1993)
The Clay Cup IV, University Museum, Carbondale, IL (1992)

Selected Residencies/Visiting Artist Faculty

Clay Boat Workshop, Islesford Pottery, ME (2108)
Blackbird, Raven, Crow Workshop, Islesford Pottery, ME (2016)
Haystack Mountain School of Crafts, Deer Isle, ME (2011)
Portland Pottery, Portland, ME (2010)
Rabbit Workshop, Islesford Pottery, Islesford, Maine (2007)
Owl Workshop, Islesford Pottery, Islesford, Maine (2005)
Haystack Mountain School of Crafts, Deer Isle, Maine (1997)
Portland Pottery, Portland, Maine (1995)
Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, OH (1994)
Bates College, Lewiston, Maine (1994)

Galleries

Maine Craft Portland, Portland, Maine
Charlie Cummings Gallery, Gainesville FL
charliecumminggallery.com
Islesford Pottery, Islesford, Maine

Collections

Maine College of Art, Portland, Maine
Ohio Wesleyan University Collection, Delaware, Ohio
South Portland Public Library, South Portland, Maine
Maine Arts Commission, Augusta, Maine
Bevier Gallery, Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, New York
Merrill Memorial Library, Yarmouth, Maine
Private Collection, John Glick, Farmington, Michigan
Private Collection, Richard Gere, New York, New York

Commissions and Awards

Selected Artist, Studio Potter Pots for Membership, fall 2017
Faculty Grant Recipient, Maine College of Art, Portland, ME 2012
Purchase Award, KC Clay Guild, Kansas City, MO 2010
Maine State Commission on the Arts, Good Idea Grant, 2007
Fine Arts Hall of Fame Award Winner, North Syracuse, NY, 2007
Faculty Grant Recipient, Maine College of Art, Portland, ME 2002
Distinguished Alumni Exhibitor Award, Ohio Wesleyan University, OH 1995
Celebrity Dinner Tables, Norton Museum of Art, Palm Beach, FL 1999
Fossil Tile Exhibit, The Children's Museum of Maine, Portland, ME 1993

Publications

Studio Potter, authored feature article "The Pots, the Place, the People", (spring 2018)
American iPottery, Kevin Hluch, (2014)
500 Teapots, Lark Book Publications, (2013)
Studio Potter, authored feature article "Uncentering", (June, 2009)
The Clay Times, authored one page article, (April/May 2009)
Maine Home and Design, featured in "Art Imitating Life" article, (May 2009)
500 Plates and Chargers, Lark Book Publications, (2008)
Surface Design for Ceramics, Maureen Mills, Lark Book Publications, (2008)
500 Animals in Clay, Lark Book Publications, (2007)
500 Pitchers, Lark Book Publications, (2006)
500 Cups, Lark Book Publications, (2005)
Making and Installing Handmade Tiles, Lark Book Publications (2005)
The Contemporary Potter, by Jonathan Fairbanks, A. Fina, C. Gustin (2000)
Best of Pottery, Vol. 2. by Angela Fina (1997)
Ceramics Monthly, two-page feature article (summer issue, 1996)
Who's Who in American College Teachers (1998)