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**Illinois State University,** Normal, IL — MFA AUGUST 2012 - MAY 2015

**The University of Montana, Missoula, MT** — *BFA Painting* AUGUST 2008 - MAY 2011

**The University of Montana,** Missoula, MT — BA Psychology AUGUST 2002 - MAY 2006

# **CURRENT COMMUNITY PROJECTS**

**MISSOULA ARTIST ALLIANCE** - Organize opportunities for local artists to gather, cross-pollinate ideas, create together and increase community advocacy.

**CHILDREN'S SHELTER CLASS -** Work collaboratively with Watson's Children Shelter and the Silver Foundation to teach a paper mache mask making class to promote self-expression and make connections with the Missoula Community.

**PUBLIC MURAL PROJECT** - Mountain Home Montana. Work collaboratively with moms and children to develop and implement large mural in space that intersect Mental Health Center and group living home.

**UNITED WE EAT** - Work together with members from Soft Landing Missoula to support Refugee efforts to sell food at Farmers Market. Submit permits, organize set up, assist in transportation, break-down. Eat Delicious Food!

# SELECTED EXHIBITION RECORD

#### **SOLO**

2016 Zootown Arts Center, Missoula, MT

2015 MFA Thesis Exhibition: CliffDwellers, Transpace Gallery, Normal, IL

2011 The Last Supper, University Center Gallery, Missoula, MT

2010 Fresh Paint, 401, Missoula, MT

2009 Korean Retrospective, Dark Room, Missoula, MT

2006 C'est Ici, Dark Room, Missoula, MT

2004 Widows, Shadows and Souls, Food For Thought, Missoula, MT

2002 Reflections, Paris Gibson Museum of Art, Great Falls, MT

#### **GROUP**

#### 2017

Escape Artist, Spillway Collective, Philadelphia PA
Light Show, Living Arts, Missoula, MT
Small Works, Annual Fundraiser, Zootown Arts Center, Missoula, MT
Helmet Show, Annual Fundraiser, Brain Injury Alliance, Missoula, MT



# TRANS-MEDIA ARTIST

From beginning - PRESENT

Video, Sound, Installation, Painting, Drawing, Performance. Cultivate an intimate relationship with ambiguity, problem-solving, critical thinking, playfulness and self-discipline.

# **VOLUNTEER**

**Soft Landing Missoula** Assisting with implementation of nonprofit, to include developing bylaws, fundraising structure, case for support, soliciting fiscal sponsors, and programming development. SL offers assistance to incoming refugees and supplemental support to IRC. CURRENT

**Big Sky Film Festival** Projectionist, Roxy, Wilma, Missoula, MT 2016, 2017, 2018

**The Silver Foundation** Forging Resilience, Assisting with Construction of Exhibition 2016

**Tree Pruning -** Watershed Consulting, Missoula, MT, 2016

**Public Yoga Classes** Hatha Yoga Instructor with emphasis in physical, mental and emotional alignment. Various Locations, 2011-current

**Birthing Doula** Bromen Medical, Bloomington, IL and Community, Missoula MT, 2014-October 2015

Assistant Coordinator for the Sustainable Living Tour Missoula, MT 2006-07

#### 2016

Equine Art Extravaganza, Dunrovin Ranch Lolo, MT Prom Common, Voncommon, Missoula, MT

#### 2015

Fresh: New Masters of Fine Arts, Southern Louisiana University, LA

Student Annual, University Galleries, Normal, IL. Juror: Miller & Shellabarger

Alumni Spectacular, University Galleries, Normal, IL

MFA Biennial, University Galleries, Normal, IL

901, Front Room Gallery, New York, NY

Art Mobile, statewide traveling exhibit & ed program, Montana

#### 2014

Big Ass Works, C {} (Cometogetherspace), Bloomington, IL

Midwestern 73 Biennial, Rockford Art Museum, Rockford IL, Juror: William Lieberman

Student Annual, University Galleries, Normal, IL, Juror: Jim Lutes

#### 2013

MFA Painters, EBERSMOORE, Chicago, IL

Illinois Emerging Artists, McLean County Arts Center, Bloomington, IL, Juror: Bill Gross

School of Art Annual, University Galleries, Normal, IL, Juror: Tony Tassett

My Paint is Much Wetter than Yours, University of Illinois, Springfield, Il

Flying House, Frame Works Gallery, Baton Rouge, LA

Emerging Illinois Artists, McClean County Arts Center, Bloomington, Il

#### 2012

MFA Biennial, University Galleries, Illinois State University, Normal, Il

Incoming Graduate Show, Transpace, Normal, Il

#### 2011

*32nd Annual Southeastern Montana Juried Exhibit*, Custer County Art & Heritage Center, Miles City, MT. Juror: John Pollock

#### 2010

Good Work, Bad Space, The Union, Missoula MT

#### 2009

Student Juried Show, The Gallery of Visual Arts, Missoula, MT

Wymyn's Night, The Badlander, Missoula, MT

BFA Senior Thesis Exhibition, The Gallery of Visual Arts, Missoula, MT

#### 2008

Annual Juried Show, The Gallery of Visual Arts, Missoula, MT

Spiritual Measures, Mythos Gallery & Studio, Flagstaff, AZ

Homecoming, Mythos Gallery & Studio, Flagstaff, AZ

# **AWARDS**

**Dale Metternich Memorial Scholarship** - OxBow School of Art and Artist Residency: Saugatuck, MI, 2015

Teaching Fellowship Finalist— Harper College, Palatine, IL, 2015

Full Tuition Fellowship & Teaching Graduate Assistantship College of Fine Arts — *Illinois State University (ISU), 2012-2015* 

Project Grant — ISU Friends of the Arts, 2013 & 2014

Amster Design Award — ISU School of Art, 2013

Beber Foundation Scholarship — ISU College of Fine Arts, 2012

# **BIBLIOGRAPHY**

#### 2016

OtherPeoplesPixels, Interview with Stoney Sasser by Stacia Yeapanis:

http://blog.otherpeoplespixels.com/otherpeoplespixels-interviews-stoney-sasser.

#### 2013

Flying House, Anthology, Flying House Publication (In-House Publishing), Chicago, Il. M.F.A. Biennial Catalogue, University Galleries, Illinois State University, introduction by Barry Blinderman, Normal, Il.

# **COMMITTEES SERVED**

New York Graduate Show, Publicity and Fundraising, ISU Normal, Illinois.

**College Council, Secretary -** 2014-15, ISU Normal, Illinois.

**UM Allies -** Board Member and SARC Representative, Missoula, MT.

**Native Students Programming -** SARC Representative, UM, Missoula, MT.

**University Council on Student Assault -** SARC Representative, UM, Missoula, MT.

### CERTS & TRAINING

**2012** 200 Hr Satya **Yoga Teacher Training**, Shanti Yoga, Whitefish, MT

**2010** Honoring Our Roots: Sharing Out Wisdom, Missoula Healthy Indian Families Consortium, Missoula, MT

Montana Coalition Against Domestic & Sexual Violence (MCADSV) Annual Conference, Helena, MT

**Men Can Stop Rape** (MCSR) Intervention and Bystander Training, Washington, DC

UM Allies Training, Ally Training to support members of LGBTIQQ Community, The University of Montana, Missoula

# RESEARCH ASSISTANCE

Climate Assessment on Contributing Factors to Sexual Violence Student Assault Resource Center, The University of Montana, Missoula, 2011

Neuropsychological Testing of Short-Term Memory in Adults, Neuropsychology Department, The University of Montana, Missoula, 2005

Animal Behavior Testing, Implementation of self-controlled lever press, experimentations with rats, Behavioral Biology Department, The University of Montana, Missoula, 2004

## TRAVEL

England, Japan, South Korea, Brazil, Germany, France, Sweden, Norway, Scotland, Ireland, Wales, Greece, Crete.

# SELECTED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

# Mountain Home Montana - Resource Center Manager

2016-Current

Manage trauma-informed community space for young moms and their children experiencing homelessness. Offer a variety of life skills classes. Work in conjunction with the Mental Health Center and community partners to provide wrap-around services to clients.

# Illinois State University, Normal, IL - Teaching Graduate

2012-15

<u>Instructor of Record:</u> Life Drawing I Advanced Drawing, Life Drawing II, Drawing Fundamentals, 2-D Fundamentals, Painting I

Wood Shop Manager and Technician, Life Drawing Model Coordinator

# Children's Museum, IL, McLean County Arts Center, City of Bloomington, IL, Portland Arts Center, IN — *Teaching Artist*

2012 - 2015

Emphasis on creative problem solving and historical and contemporary methods in art making. Structured curriculum for art classes in sculpture, ceramics, painting, drawing, fibers and installation. Student community of youth (4 years) - college level adults.

# **Student Assault Resource Center (SARC),** The University of Montana — *Outreach & Training Coordinator, Advocate* 2006 - 2011

Forge communications and relationships between on-campus organizations, develop and oversee annual events, create and oversee media relations, train and supervise peer advocates, respond to a budget framework and seek additional funding, remain current on models of harm-reduction and violence prevention, serve as an advocate, administer referrals, staff crisis line and walk-in clients.

# **UC Arts Programming,** The University of Montana — *Arts Exhibits Coordinator* 2008 - 2010

Supervised, installed managed works of art in 13 gallery spaces in the University Center. Managed and installed permanent art collection. Designed and released art calls to the student and public community, and created press releases. Served on Student Involvement committees, provided education and workshops to emerging artists.

# Klifford English Academy, Seoul, Korea - English Teacher K-12 2007-08

Taught English in Korea to children ages 4-16. Provided lesson plans, and learning-based activities.