

Selected Exhibitions

- 2013 *"Rube Goldberg's Ghost: Confounding Design and Laborious Objects"*, Glass Curtain Gallery, Chicago, 2/28-5/4  
*"Fluxfest Chicago 2013"*, Chicago Cultural Center, performance, 2/23
- 2012 *"Cancelled: The Stamp Art of Michael Thompson"*, Erie Art Museum, Erie, PE., 6/15-11/4  
*Fashion Focus Chicago*, "Dream A Little Dream", OpenSecretStudio, Video Projection  
*"10th Anniversary Show"*, Morlen Sinoway Atelier, Chicago, IL. 5/10-6/6  
*"Group Show"*, Tom Robinson Gallery, 5/4-5/26, Chicago, IL.  
*"Self-Absorbed"*, Chicago-Ashland Office Building Gallery, 3/17-5/12
- 2011 *"Write Now: Artists and Letterforms"*, Chicago Cultural Center, 9/30/11-4/29/12  
*"The Blue Goblet"*, Avenue Theatre, Denver, Colorado, 6/6  
*"15th Artistmade Kite Exhibit"*, August House, Chgo., IL., 9/25-10/14  
*"Edgeart"*, The Sovereign, Chgo, IL., May 20  
*"Vignette: The Event"*, Design Bureau, Post 37, May, Chgo.  
*"Chicago A.D. (After Daley)"*, JacksonJunge Gallery, Chgo., IL.
- 2010 *"BMC to DiY"*, Black Mountain College, Asheville, N.C., 10/1-10/30  
*"Ink Paintings"*, Duolon Museum of Contemporary Art, Shanghai, China,  
*"Stamps from America"*, Unique Hill Gallery, Shanghai, China, 5/15-7/15  
*"Shanghai Kite Show"*, Pagoda Red, Chgo., IL. 3/20-4/17  
*"American Artstamps"*, Haricom Gallery, Seoul, Korea, April  
*"Artiststamps"*, Stamp Art Museum, Chgo., IL. April-June  
*"Tool Box, Flower Box"*, JacksonJunge Gallery, Chgo., IL.
- 2009 *SOFA Chicago*, Navy Pier, 11/6-11/8  
*"The 20th Annual International Small Print Show"*, C.P.C, Chgo., IL.  
*"Salon des Arts Erotiques"*, Plumbers Hall, Chgo., July  
*"Artists Run Chicago"*, Hyde Park Art Center, Chgo., 5/6-6/7  
*"Lilliput"*, Walsh Gallery, Seton Hall University, S. Orange, N.J., 6/8-7/23  
*"Saturn Dreaming Of Mercury: Art and the Trickster Spirit"*, Brandeis University, Waltham, MA., 4/1-4/30  
*"Meccano: Erector Set Sculptures"*, Packer-Schoph Gallery, 2/20-3/28 Chgo.  
*Chicago Flower and Garden Show*, Hanging Sculpture, Navy Pier, 3/6, Chgo.
- 2008 *"Twisted"*, Landfall Press Gallery, 10/24-1/1/09, Santa Fe, NM.  
*"Sermons From The Tea Shack"*, Center for the Proliferation of Afro-Asian Artifacts, The Yamaguchi Institute, Chicago, IL.  
*Chicago Sculpture International Biennale*, Flatfile Gallery, Chgo., IL.  
*"19th Annual Small Print Show"*, Printmakers Collaborative, Chgo., iIL.  
*"Fakes"*, Red Saw Gallery, Newark, N.J.  
*"Bitter Fruits"*, Altered Esthetics Gallery, Minneapolis, MN.
- 2007 *"Art of Play"*, Gallery 37, Chicago, IL.  
*"Kosher Not Kosher"*, Gallery Chicago, Chicago, IL.  
*"Multiplicity-Multiplicidad"*, SoMarts Bay Gallery, San Francisco, CA.  
*"Peace Tower"*, Chicago Cultural Center, Chicago, IL.
- 2006 *"Honoring Japanese Culture"*, Lincoln Park Conservatory, Chgo., IL.  
*"Hunt and Gather"*, Evanston Art Center Evanston, IL.  
State and Lake Gallery, two month residency, Chicago, IL.  
*"Art Walk"*, Anatomically Correct Gallery, Evanston, IL. Juror Award  
*"Kite Show"*, Illinois Design Center, Rockford, IL.

- 2005 *"Water Tanks, The Chicago Prize Competition"*, The Art Institute of Chicago, sponsored by the Chicago Architectural Club, Honorable Mention Award  
*"Stamp! Artists' Postage Stamps and Books from the Collections of the MCA and Bad Press Books"*, The Museum of Contemporary Art, Chgo., IL.  
*"A.D.D., The New Chicagoans"*, Iron Street Gallery, Chicago, IL.  
*"For the Birds"*, Clark House Museum, Chgo., IL.  
*"Art and Poetry Show"*, Hothouse Performance Space, Chgo., IL.  
*"Glamour of War"*, Chicago Gallery
- 2004 *"37th Annual Kite Contest"*, Smithsonian Institute, Washington, D.C.  
*"Paris, Fantasy"*, Espace Beauregard, Paris, FR  
*"Flights of Imagination"*, Chicago Cultural Center, Chgo., IL.  
*"Affordable Art Show"*, Aaron Packer Gallery, Chgo. IL.
- 2003 *"Motherland/Fatherland"*, Moscow International Museum, Moscow, Russia  
*"Bellamatic"*, La Mas Belle Gallery, Madrid, Spain  
*"Pandora's Box"*, Columbia College, Chgo., IL.  
*"13th Annual Small Prints Show"*, Chicago Printmakers Collaborative, Chgo., IL.  
*"Stamps"*, Urban Institute of Contemporary Art, Grand Rapids, MI.  
*"The Stamp Show"*, Augen Gallery. Portland, OR.  
*"SkyArt"*, The Chicago Athenaeum, Schaumburg, IL
- 2002 *"JeJu International Mail Art Show"*, JeJu Culture and Art Foundation, S. Korea  
*"Art on the Edge of the Law"*, Aldridge Museum of Contemporary Art, Ridgefield, Connecticut  
*"Mail On The Edge"*, Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR.  
*"Stamps"*, Barristers Gallery, New Orleans, LA.  
*"Gutenberg's Inheritance"*, 62nd Annual Frankfurt Book Fair, Frankfurt, Germany  
*"The Stamp Show"*, Kittredge Gallery, Univ. of Puget Sound, Tacoma, WA.  
*"Sentier Interrotti"*, The Museum of Bassono del Grappa, Rome, IT.  
*"Imposters, Michael Hernandez de Luna and Michael Thompson"*, AMUM, Art Museum, University of Memphis, Memphis, TN.  
*"Agitator, Contemporary Art of Propaganda"*, Glass Curtain Gallery, Columbia College, Chgo., IL.
- 2001 *"Explicit, Part I"*, Kougeas Gallery, Boston, MA.  
*"Arte Postal, Hacia el Nuevo Milenio"*, Museo de Filatelia, Oaxaco, Mexico  
*"Stamp Acts"*, Augen Gallery, Portland, OR.  
*"Looking Twice"*, Wright Museum of Art, Beloit College, Beloit, WI.  
*"Seeing Money"*, Portland Old Town Arts Cultural Center, Portland, OR.  
*"Stamp Show"*, Pearl Conrad Gallery, Ohio State Univ., Mansfield, OH.  
*"Stamps"*, Augen Gallery, Portland, OR  
Installation, International Market Square, Minneapolis, MN
- 2000 *"Not for Intended Use"*, Judy Saslow Gallery, Chgo., IL.  
*"The Perforated Edge"*, The Susan Cummins Gallery, Mill Valley CA.  
*"Fakes and Forgeries"*, VU Gallery, Bellingham, WA.  
*"Stamping Ground"*, Printmakers Collaborative, Chgo., IL.  
*"An Exhibition of Experimental Printmaking"*, The Workshop Print Gallery, Chgo.

#### Selected Publications

- 2013 *Chicago Mag.com*, C Notes, "The Latest in Arts and Culture"  
*Tenoua, Revue of Liberal Jewish Thought of France*, Winter, 2012-2013  
*Time Out Chicago*, "Shopping and Style", Pg. 32, 1-10-13

- 2012 *Erie Reader*, "Visual Experiences: Cancelled-The Stamp Art Of Michael Thompson" 10/1  
*Erie Times-News*, "Michael Thompson's Stamp Collection is Utterly Unique", 10/18  
*Chicago Gallery News*, Sept.-Dec., Pg.49  
*CS Interiors*, "The Style File", Pg. 80, Summer Issue  
*Time Out Chicago*, "Tasting Notes", Photo w/sculptures, Pg. 31, Feb. 9-15
- 2011 *Design Bureau*, "Vingette", (sculpture) Sept/Oct., Pg. 17  
*Chicago Tribune*, Cover story, "The Next Artists Frontier" (photo), 7/29/11  
*Luxe. Interiors and Design*, Chicago, "Style Maker", Pg. 134-135, Spring  
*ARTslant*, "On Our Chicago Watchlist", January
- 2010 *Reason Magazine*, "Hit and Run", 10/11  
*Crain's Chicago Business*, "10 Things to do this Weekend", 3/18
- 2009 *Chicago Home*, Sept./Oct., pg.28  
*CS Interiors*, Style/ Home Front, Spring, pg. 62,  
*The Chicago Tribune*, 3/1, House and Homes, pg. 22
- 2008 *i4design Magazine*, Summer, Pg.55  
*Chicago Home and Garden*, Nov./Dec., *Domestica*, Pg. 28-32  
*Luxe Magazine*, The Chicago Home Redefined, Summer Edition, pg. 193  
*Interiors*, Fall/Winter, pg.66  
*Chicago Reader*, The South Loop Issue, 3/13, pg.27  
*City Pages*, Pgs. 3, 27, Minn. MN.
- 2007 *Culture and Travel*, June/July, "Postal Modern", Pgs. 80-81  
*Chicago Home*, May/June, "Independence Day", pg.34  
*Chicago Tribune*, "At Play", July 26, pg.7  
*Chicago Social*, 8/28, pg.106  
*Interiors Magazine*, Fall/Winter 2007-08, "Home Front Hood", pg.68  
*New City*, "The Meat Show" (review), pg.17
- 2006 *The Chicago Tribune*, Book Review, 1/16, pg.3  
*Chicagoland Gardening Magazine*, "Gotta Have Art", July/Aug.
- 2005 "ARTISTAMPS, *Images From Another Country*", University of Wisconsin  
*The Washington Post*, "Illegal Stamps", 5/15/05
- 2004 *Art and Antiques*, A and A Update, January  
*Chicago Home*, "Domestica", Summer  
*Reason Magazine*, "Postal Pranksters", January  
*Atomic Magazine*, Los Angeles, CA.
- 2003 *Chicago Art Journal*, "Exchanges, Borders and Transitions", Interview, Spring  
*Linns Stamp News*, The Insider, July  
*Artforum*, July  
*Print Magazine*, New York, July  
*The Boston Globe*, Boston, MA. July  
*The Recorder*, San Francisco, CA, May 23  
*The Houston Chronicle*, July
- 2002 *Maxim*, "Circus Maximus", The Stamp Act, Sept.  
*Juxtapose*, "Going Postal", Nov./Dec. Issue  
*Bizarre*, London, England, U.K. Issue and Canadian Issue, "Pushing the Envelope", March; U.S. Issue, April  
*Chicago Tribune*, "Arts Reviews and News", Feb.  
*Chicago Reader*, The Culture Club, Feb.
- 2001 *Art In America*, "Outsiders in Art Land", Oct.  
*Artforum*, "Art on the Edge of the Law", Oct.

- New York Times*, "The Long Arm of the Law Reaches into the Gallery", 7/16  
*The Village Voice*, "Breaking and Entering", 8/23  
*NY Arts*, "Art on the Edge of the Law", 7/8  
*Booklist*, (Fall Reference Review), 8/01  
*ARTMonthly*, "Stamp of Approval", London, U.K., July  
*Newsweek*, International Edition, "Putting Their Stamps on Art" 6/7  
*Umbrella*, Vol. 24, No.2, Aug.  
*Playboy*, "Art Goes Postal", July  
*The Vancouver Sun*, Vancouver, Canada, May 26  
*The New Art Examiner*, Chgo., Memphis, Review: Imposters Show, March  
*Bookmagazine*, Sept/Oct.
- 2000 *The News*, "Can Stamps Stand as Art?", Mexico City, Mexico, 1/30  
*C International Contemporary Art*, Summer  
*Sentieri Interrotti/Vanished Paths*, Charta Editions, Milano, Italy  
*Diario Noticirias*, "NOTI-Culturales", Oaxaca, Mexico  
*El Imparcial*, "Arte Postale, Hascias el Nuevo Milenio", Oaxaca, Mexico  
*Florida Architecture*, Coconut Grove, FL. Oct.  
*Artistamp News*, "Correspondence", Vancouver, B.C., Canada  
*The Houston Chronicle*, Nov. 5  
*UR*, "Art and Soul", Feb. pg.16  
*Chicago Social*, Oct.  
*Velocity*, "Go Fish", Pg. 20 Chgo., IL
- 1999 *Blender*, "Undergraven Filatel", Copenhagen, Den., Winter  
*Juxtapose*, "Going Postal", San Francisco, CA.  
*Deutsch GQ*, "Markige Kunst", Munich, Ger.  
*New Journal*, "Art Exhibit put Money, Stamps in Different Light", Mansfield, OH  
*Factsheet Five*, "Why I Love the Post Office", NY, NY.  
*Boston Globe*, "Frankly my dears, Art of a Sexual Nature", Boston, MA.

#### Lectures and Seminars

- 2012 Erie Art Museum, Erie, PA., lecture, 6/15  
2011 The Apple Store, "Artists Lectures", Lincoln Park, Chgo., IL. 3/26  
2009 Beijing Conference on Theory and Criticism, Beijing, China, 5/24-5/29  
2006 Chicago Cultural Center, 'Global Thinking: Expanded Practice, Lecture 1/19  
2002 Urban Institute of Contemporary Art, "Trouble with Stamp-Making", Grand Rapids, Mi.  
2001 Columbia College, "Lecture on Fake Stamps", Chgo., IL.  
JeJu Culture and Art Foundation, Panel Discussion, JeJu Is., Korea  
2000 The University of Memphis, Lecture on Stamp Show, Memphis, TN.  
1999 Museo de Filatelia, Panel Discussion, Oaxaca,. Mex.  
Museum of Science and Industry, Lectures on Stamps, 8/28-29, Chicago, IL.  
1998 Combined Philatelic Exhibition of Chicago, Award Dinner Lecture, Chgo., IL  
1996 Mary and Leigh Block Gallery, "Chicago Prints, Politics and Pulp", panel discussion, Northwestern Univ., Evanston, IL.

#### Electronic Media

- 2012 *Sunday Morning*, CBS Television, "The High Life", 4/21  
WICU, Interview, Erie, PA., 6/13
- 2010 82nd Academy Awards Ceremony, Los Angeles, CA., 3/7/10,  
projected excerpt of *Batman, The Dark Knight* included kite scene.
- 2006 WABC, 6 O'Clock News, 1/23  
WBEZ, NPR 848 Interview, 1/25
- 2001 KBS, Korean Broadcasting Interview, 1/25
- 2000 Channel 11, Wild Chicago segment
- 1999 WGN, Morning News interview, 10/1  
WPWR, Ben Loves Chicago, interview, 5/3  
FOX Channel 32, "Fox Thing In the Morning", interview 6/19  
CLTV, Oak Brook, Interview, 2/23
- 1998 Channel 44 Telemundo, Miami, FL., "Fake Stamps", Interview
- 1997 Channel 32, FOX, "Fox Thing In the Morning", 6/8
- 1996 Cable News network (CNN), syndicated interview, 6/18  
Channel 32, FOX, Nine O'Clock News, interview, 6/19  
WSOY, radio, Decatur, IL interview 6/26  
WOC, radio, Quad City, IA, interview, 7/8

#### Awards and Grants

- 2012 Illinois Arts Council Grant in Visual Arts
- 2011 ARTslant, 1st. Place Showcase Winner, mixed media
- 2007 Project Completion Grant, Illinois Arts Council
- 2006 Water Tanks: The Chicago Prize Competition, Chicago Architectural Club,  
Honorable Mention  
Highland Park Art Walk, Second Prize
- 2001 Illinois Arts Council Grant in Visual Arts
- 1999 Illinois Arts Council Grant in Visual Arts

#### Film Projects

- 2008 *Batman, The Dark Knight*, Three kite sculptures, Warner Brothers Film
- 1999 *Outing Riley*, Wolfe Films, one kite

#### Book References

- 2011 *Ink Painting and Beyond, Contemporary Ink Paintings and Artists*, By Qigu Jiang  
The Research House for Asian Art, Chicago, IL.  
*Chicago Spaces: Inspiring Interiors*, Agate Publishing, 10/11/11
- 2008 *Miniature Messages, The Semiotics and Politics of Latin American Postage Stamps*  
by Jack Child, Duke University Press, Illustration Plate 1, discussion of work- pg. 41
- 2000 *Artistamps, Francobolli D'Artista*, James Felter, AAEdizioni, pgs. 190-191
- 1999 *The Stampart and Postal History of Michael Thompson and Michael Hernandez de Luna*, Bad Press Books, Chicago, IL.

#### Education

- 1969-71 University of Massachusetts/Amherst
- 1973-74 Eastern Connecticut State College, Willimantic, Ct.
- 1974-75 University of Massachusetts/Amherst
- 1975-77 Berkshire Community College, Pittsfield, Ma.

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