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### EDUCATION

- 1992** University of Lethbridge, AB - Fine Arts 3859, Painting. Instructor: Grant McConnell  
**1990 - 1991** Grant MacEwan College, Edmonton, AB - Layout and Design, Typography and Design, Art History I & II, and Life Drawing  
**1987-1992** Master - Apprenticeship, Instructor: Jean Birnie - (studied classical European techniques in pencil, charcoal, pastel, watercolour, oil, clay sculpture, and non-traditional methods in acrylic)  
**1986** Edmonton Art Gallery, Edmonton, AB - Edmonton, AB - Drawing I  
**1984 - 1986** Red Deer College, Red Deer, AB and N.A.I.T., Edmonton, AB - Biological Sciences Diploma

### EXHIBITIONS

- 1993 - 2017** Artist Studio Exhibition, Pygmalion Gallery and School of Fine Art, St. Albert, AB  
**2013** Keys for the City, a street piano project, (Commission /Grant / Juried), St. Albert Cutlivates the Arts Society, St. Albert, AB  
**2013** 7<sup>th</sup> Edition Internationale d'Art Miniature, (Juried), Levis, Québec  
**2012** Square One, (Juried-Fundraiser), St. Albert Art Gallery, St. Albert, AB  
**2011** Live, Work, and Play, (Juried), Articulture - City of St. Albert, St. Albert, AB  
**2010** Orriss X 3, (Juried), Oceanside Community Arts Center, Parksville, B.C.  
Biennale d'Art Miniature International 2010, (Juried), Salle Augustin-Chénier, Ville-Marie, Québec  
**2009** 5<sup>th</sup> Edition Internationale d'Art Miniature, (Juried), Saint-Jean Chrysostome, Québec  
**2008** 9<sup>th</sup> Biennale Internationale d'Art Miniature, (Juried), Salle Augustin-Chénier, Ville-Marie, Québec  
**2007-2008** Small in Nature, Oceanside Community Arts Council, Parksville, B.C.  
**2007** 4<sup>th</sup> Edition Internationale d'Art Miniature, (Juried), Saint-Jean Chrysostome, Québec  
8<sup>th</sup> Biennale Internazionale d'Arte in Miniatura, (Juried - Selected works from the BIAM of Ville-Marie), Museo d'Arte Contemporanea del Castello di Rivoli, Italy  
**2006** Art Contemporain Miniature, (Juried - Selected works from the BIAM of Ville-Marie), The Musée de la Miniature, Montélimar, France  
8<sup>th</sup> Biennale Internationale d'Art Miniature, (Juried), Salle Augustin-Chénier, Ville-Marie, Québec  
3<sup>rd</sup> Edition Internationale d'Art Miniature, (Juried), Saint-Jean Chrysostome, Québec  
**2005** Diversity, (Juried), Visual Arts Alberta Association Gallery, Edmonton, AB  
**2004 - 2005** Myriad Exhibition, (Juried), Profiles Public Gallery, St. Albert, AB  
**1997-2004** Small Art Show, Upstairs in Profiles Art Gallery, St. Albert, AB  
**2004** 7<sup>th</sup> Biennale Internationale d'Art Miniature, (Juried), Salle Augustin-Chénier, Ville-Marie, Québec  
**2003** Close to Nature, (Solo Exhibition-Juried), Little Church Gallery, Spruce Grove, AB  
Nature Abounds, (Duo Exhibition-Juried), Royal Alexandra Hospital, Edmonton, AB  
**2002 - 2003** Paintings, (Solo Exhibition-Juried), Generations Gallery, Stony Plain AB  
La Petite X, (Juried), Alder Gallery, Coburg, Oregon, USA  
**2002** Haven, (Juried), Profiles Public Gallery, St. Albert, AB  
**2001 - 2003** Tea Party, St. Albert Painter's Guild, St. Albert, AB  
Presence, SAPVAC Members at Profiles Public Art Gallery, St. Albert, AB  
**2000 - 2002** Small in Nature, Oceanside Community Arts Council, Parksville, B.C.  
**1992 - 1993** Tea Party, St. Albert Painter's Guild, St. Albert, AB  
**1992** Figurative / Portrait Exhibition, (Juried), Bowman Arts Centre Galleries, Lethbridge, AB  
**1992** Landscapes, Crowsnest Ski Lodge, Blairmore, AB  
**1988 - 1992** Student Exhibition, Artistically Speaking Gallery, Edmonton, AB

### PRIVATE COLLECTIONS

Todd Pringle, Carol Hulkovich,  
Barbie Evans, Brian Bell, Loretta  
Kyle, Mark Cattral, Mary Gal,  
Diane Hughes, David  
Markowich, Connie Clark, Gerry  
Bouma, Cheryl Shur, Martin  
Kaup, Meaghan Chateauvert,  
Deborah Eberley, Elizabeth  
Untch, Colleen Hughes, Joanne  
Schultz, Noreen Lucente, Janet  
Nielsen, Ted and Florence  
Morgan, Jan and Steve  
Chateauvert, Wendy and Mark  
Eckley, Karin Kaufmann, L.Blair,

Louise Turner, Sebastian Proulx,  
Sheryl Hansen, Karen Roebuck,  
Evelyn Scaber, Jennifer  
Schmalz, Eileen LaFramboise,  
Robert Houlden, Nora Fergeson,  
Catherine Goddard, Carmen  
Calvez, Gail Hadfield, Duncan  
Gibson, Trish Eckley, Glenda D.  
Coleman-Miller, Mike Vida,  
Laure Kowalyshyn, Lori Wiebe,  
Wendy Robutka, Terry and Peter  
Holt, Janice Oppen, Garry  
Gardner, John MacGregor, Lori  
Karen Dyck, Catherine Soetaert,

Karen Cassidy, Sandra  
Hughes, Warren Tasker,  
Vivianne Wright, Bernice  
Waugh, Vivian Mohrbutler, Barb  
Headrick, Lorraine Sadownik,  
Bonnie Andriachuk, Monica  
Kohlenberg, Gail Helgason, Lona  
Montgomery, Alejandra Diaz,  
Shelley Creran, Brooklyn Shaw,  
Jill Lussier, Barb Eberlein, Gloria  
Gogowich, Liz Medwid, Nestor  
and Donna Demianczuk, AB,  
Canada

Lynn and Doug Orriss, BC, Canada  
Teresa DeGroot, NWT, Canada  
Cyrille Kamoun, Texas, USA  
Rolf Seelis, Germany

### PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

Royal Alexandra Hospital, Edmonton, AB  
Oddleifson & Kaup, St. Albert, AB  
Dr. Elisa Torri-Morres, Edmonton, AB  
AJO Construction Services Ltd., St. Albert, AB

Skuba and Associates, Edmonton, AB  
St. Albert Further Education, St. Albert, AB  
St. Albert Art Gallery, St. Albert, AB

### AWARDS

- 2014** Award for Excellence in Arts Teaching, St. Albert Mayor's Celebration of the Arts, St. Albert, AB  
**2006** Artworks Selected, Beauty & Bright Lights, Travelling Exhibition in France & Italy, BIAM, Ville-Marie, Québec  
**2002** Honorable Mention, The Steps II, Small in Nature, Oceanside Community Arts Council, Parksville, B.C.  
**1990 - 1993** Overall Outstanding Artwork, Coronation Fair and Exhibition, Coronation, AB

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 1992 - 2017** Director / Owner / Instructor - Pygmalion School of Fine Art, St. Albert, AB  
**1993 - 2017** Curator / Show Organizer - Student Exhibition, Pygmalion, St. Albert, AB  
**2015** Jury Member – St. Albert Mayor's Celebration of the Arts, St. Albert, AB  
**2008 - 2014** Board of Directors / Treasurer (2009 - 2014) - St. Albert Further Education, St. Albert, AB  
**2004 - 2006** Curator - St. Albert Artwalk, Pygmalion, St. Albert, AB  
**2004** Watercolour Workshop Instructor - Paintearth Adult Learning Association, Coronation, AB  
**1992 - 1993** Curator - It's An Animal World, Age 5 - 12, First Step Gallery, St. Albert, AB  
Un Melange, Age 13 - 18, Next Step Gallery, St. Albert, AB  
**1991 - 1992** Assistant Art Instructor - Artistically Speaking School of Fine Art, Edmonton, AB  
**1988 - 1992** Artist Commissions - Drawing's by Dixie, Edmonton, AB

### BIBLIOGRAPHY

**2014** Borowiecki, Anna. "And the Nominees Are...". St. Albert Gazette. (St. Albert, AB) Vol. 54 No. 21, 12 Mar. 2014.p.24, 25 Photo – Colbourne, Chris

**2013** Cook, Glenn. "Play It Again". St. Albert Leader. (St. Albert, AB) Vol. 2, No. 46, 29 Aug. 2013. p. 18 Photo – Cook, Glenn

Borowiecki, Anna. "Art Plays Art". St. Albert Gazette. (St. Albert, AB) Vol.53, No.69, 28 Aug. 2013. p.21, p.35

Cook, Glenn. "Pianos Pop Up In Downtown". St. Albert Leader. (St. Albert, AB) Vol. 2, No.48, 12 Sept. 2013.p.26

**2010** Alexander, Lissa. **“Family Comes Together for Art Show at OCAC”**. The News. (Parksville, Qualicum Beach, B.C.), 07 Sept. 2010. p.A31, A34 Photo - Alexander, Lissa

**2006** Rokne, Olav. **“Little Wonders of Painting”**. Saint City News. (St. Albert, AB) Vol. 9, No. 43, 27 Oct. 2006.p.15 Photo - Rokne, Olav

Jones, Susan. **“Small is Beautiful”**. St. Albert Gazette. (St. Albert, AB) Vol. 18, No. 1, 01 Sept. 2006. p.16 Photo - Aspinall, Lyle

**2005** Winwood, Darrell. **“Landscape Views Without Leaving the City”**. Saint City News. (St. Albert, AB) Vol. 8, No. 36, 09 Sept. 2005. p.17 Photo - Winwood, Darrell

Jones, Susan. **“Falling in Love With Vincent Van Gogh”**. St. Albert Gazette. (St. Albert, Alta.) Vol.45 No.62, 03 Aug. 2005.p.26 Photo - Aspinall, Lyle

Jones, Susan. **“Diverse Artists on Display at VAAA”**. St. Albert Gazette. (St. Albert, AB) Vol.45 No. 52, 29 June 2005. p.35

**2004** Winwood, Darrell. **“Profiles in a Christmas Mood”**. Saint City News. (St. Albert, AB) Vol. 7 No. 49, 03 Dec. 2004. p.16 Photo - Winwood, Darrell

Jones, Susan. **“Art Helps Light Up Downtown Nights”**. St. Albert Gazette. (St. Albert, AB) Vol. 44 No. 2, 01 Dec. 2004. p.33

Borowiecki, Anna. **“St. Albert Artists Join in Diversity”**. St. Albert Gazette. (St. Albert, AB) Vol. 44 No. 52, 30 June 2004. p.38

**2003** Berezowsky, Mike. **“Local Artist Exhibits Work at Spruce Grove Gallery”**. Saint City News. (St. Albert, AB) Vol 6 No. 41, 17 Oct. 2003. p.10 Photo - Berezowsky, Mike

**2002** Mah, Josephine. **“Miniature Paintings on Display”**. Spruce Grove Examiner. (Spruce Grove, AB), 06 Dec. 2002. Photo - Mah, Josephine

Jones, Susan. **“Celebrate Summer Landscapes”**. St. Albert Gazette. (St. Albert, AB) Vol. 14 No. 46, 08 June 2002. P20, 21

**2001** Borowiecke, Anna. **“Drink in Art at Painter’s Tea Party”**. St. Albert Gazette. (St. Albert, AB) Vol. 42 No. 33, 25 Apr. 2001. P.46

**2000** Rudolfsen, Bev. **“Profiles Fund-Raiser is Pretty as a Picture”**. St. Albert Gazette. (St. Albert, AB) Vol. 41 No. 18, 01 Mar. 2000. p.27

**1999** Hall, Angela. **“Profiles Gallery’s Members: Exhibition an Eclectic Mix”**. St. Albert Gazette. (St. Albert, AB) Vol. 40 No. 64, 11 Aug. 1999: p.18 Photo - Bartlett, April

**1993** Healing, Dan. **“Carded Art”**. Edmonton Sun. (Edmonton, AB) 12 July, 1993. p.22

Sullivan, Pat. **“Fallen Spirit”**. Lethbridge Herald. (Lethbridge, AB) Vol. 90 No. 104, 26 Mar. 1993: B6 Photo - Campbell, Laura

**1992** Lewis, Jessie. **“Local Girl Opened Pygmalion School of Fine Art in St. Albert”**. Coronation Review. (Coronation, AB) Vol. 80 No. 48, 01 Dec. 1992. p.7

Cairney, Richard. **“They Just Said No to the Recession”**. St. Albert Gazette. (St. Albert, AB) Vol. 33 No. 73, 16 Sept., 1992: A1/B1 Photos - Smith, Dave

## MEMBERSHIPS

Arts and Heritage Foundation of St. Albert, St. Albert, AB  
Alberta Art Gallery, Edmonton, AB  
St. Albert Further Education, St. Albert, AB