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## Education

- Aug 2006 - May 2009 [Master of Fine Arts](#)  
East Tennessee State University, Johnson City, TN  
Concentration: Printmaking  
GPA: 4.0/4.0
- 2001 - 2003 [Continuing Education Courses](#)  
The School of Visual Arts, New York, NY  
Courses: Animation, Storyboarding, and Figure Drawing
- Sep 1994 - May 1998 [Bachelor of Fine Arts \(Magna Cum Laude\)](#)  
Rutgers the State University of New Jersey  
Mason Gross School of the Arts, New Brunswick, NJ  
Major: Visual Arts with concentration in Graphic Design  
GPA: 3.5/4.0, Magna Cum Laude  
Minor: Art History (undeclared)

## Professional Experience

- Aug 2010 - Present [Assistant Professor of Art](#)  
Art Department, East Stroudsburg University, East Stroudsburg, PA  
(See Teaching Experience for details)
- Aug 2009 - May 2010 [Instructor, Adjunct Faculty](#)  
Department of Art, Appalachian State University, Boone, NC  
• Instructor for foundations  
(See Teaching Experience for details)
- Aug 2006 - May 2010 [Instructor, Adjunct Faculty and Graduate Assistantship](#)  
Department of Art and Design, East Tennessee State University, Johnson City, TN  
• Instructor for foundations and graphic design courses.  
(See Teaching Experience for details)
- Oct 2002 - Dec 2007 [Senior Designer/Illustrator - Boyswear](#)  
French Toast/Lollytogs/LT Apparel, New York, NY

- Design, illustration, and season preparation for the Cotler, Rim Rocka, and French Toast Boys lines.
- Developed presentations to acquire the Lee Tops, Monster Garage, American Chopper and Hummer licenses.
- Leader of a 5 person design team.

Feb 2001 - Oct 2002

**Senior Designer/Illustrator**

Jordan Craig/Brian Brothers, Carlstadt, NJ

- Promoted from Jr. Designer.
- Responsible for enterprise-wide design and illustration of clothing, patterns, tags, labels, catalogs, and advertising for an urban clothing line.
- Designed posters and show booths. Attended the bi-annual MAGIC Convention in Las Vegas, NV. Leader of a 2 person design team.

Jan 1998 - Dec 2005

**Creator/Proprietor**

Unorthodox Press, Rutherford, NJ

- Illustrated, designed, and published a 32-page comic book series titled, Eep.
- Distribution of this comic book series includes the United States, France, and England with a circulation of a approximately 4000.
- Developed an animated short and compiled material for a trade paperback.
- Conceptualized and created promotional items such as stickers, t-shirts, and plush toys.
- Negotiated vendor contracts for printing and silk-screening.
- Solicited advertisers and sold print-space to help defray publication expenses.
- Attended national and international comic book conventions to promote series and merchandise to gain widespread attention and increased circulation.
- Featured in Comic Library International, EXPO 2000, CAR Comics Presents, The Greenprint, and John Doe Comics.

Aug 2000 - Oct 2000

**Freelance Animator/Illustrator**

FUBU/Y2G.com, New York, NY

- Animation and set design for FuGina, an animated hip-hop website, updated daily.

Aug 2000 - Oct 2000

**Freelance Animator/Illustrator**

O'Plenty Animation Studio, Point Pleasant, NJ

- Painted and pegged cels for the traditionally animated 'Papa Gator' and other features.

1998 - 2000

**Illustrator/Designer**

Comic Library International, Pittsburgh, PA

- Collaborated in the launching of the bi-monthly Comic Library International, a 200-page, bi-annual, printed collection of various independent comic book artists.
- Created comics, illustrations, and designed advertisements for participating artists.

Mar 1998 - May 1998

**Designer**

Green Table Design, New Brunswick/Newark, NJ

- Curated an artist's book symposium with a team of five other designers.
- Developed concepts and themes used in the design of silk-screened posters, type-setted programs, nametags, and catalogs to market the opening of the show.
- Live, real time design created by team of 5 designers during the symposium that was attended by the premiere figures of the book making industry.

- May 1997 - August 1997 [Design Intern](#)  
Babies 'R' Us (Toys 'R' Us Headquarters), Paramus, NJ
- Assisted and designed catalogs and in-house posters, brochures, handouts, etc.

## Teaching Experience

- Aug 2010 - Dec 2010 [East Stroudsburg University](#)  
Taught *Illustration, Advertising Graphics* and *2-D Design*.
- Jan 2010 - May 2010 [Appalachian State University/East Tennessee State University](#)  
Taught *Illustration, Digital Imaging, and Graphic Design 1*.
- Jan 2010 - May 2010 [East Tennessee State University Department of Art & Design](#)  
Taught *Graphic Design & Commercial Art 1*.
- Aug 2009 - Present [Appalachian State University Department of Art](#)  
Taught *Foundations 1* (two sections).
- Aug 2009 – Present [East Tennessee State University Department of Art & Design](#)  
Taught *Graphic Design & Commercial Art 1, 2-D Design, and Drawing Fundamentals*.
- Jun – Jul 2009 [ETSU Department of Art & Design](#)  
(Summer Session 1) Taught *Color Theory*.
- Jan – May 2009 [ETSU Department of Art History](#)  
(Spring) Taught *History of Graphic Design*.
- Aug – Dec 2008 [ETSU Department of Art & Design](#)  
(Fall) Taught *Graphic Design & Commercial Art 1*.
- Jul 2008 [ETSU Department of Art & Design \(as Adjunct Faculty\)](#)  
(Summer Session 2) Taught *2-D Design* as an Adjunct Faculty member.
- Jun 2008 [ETSU Department of Art & Design \(as Adjunct Faculty\)](#)  
(Summer Session 1) Taught *2-D Design* as an Adjunct Faculty member.
- Jan – May 2008 [ETSU Department of Art & Design \(as Adjunct Faculty\)](#)  
(Spring) Taught *Typography* as an Adjunct Faculty member.  
Taught *2-D Design*.
- Aug – Dec 2007 [ETSU Department of Art & Design](#)  
(Fall) Taught “2-D Design,” a foundations course.
- Jul 2007 [ETSU Department of Art & Design](#)  
(Summer Session 2) Teaching Assistant for “Comic Book Illustration.”

## Professional Development

- Nov 2009 [Adsmarts: Creativity Auction](#): Proceeds benefitted endowed scholarships for ETSU students in the areas of advertising and graphic/media arts.

Sep 2009 [Juror: Impressions: A Printmaking Exhibition](#)  
Tipton Street Gallery, Johnson City, TN  
Juried a printmaking exhibit for students and faculty.

Sep 2009 [Fundred Dollar Bill Project](#)  
Initiated and participated in Mel Chin's conceptual art project *The Fundred Dollar Bill Project* with over 70 of my students.

Jun 2009 [ConvergeSC Web Conference](#)  
Columbia, SC  
Attended web conference where designers, developers, business and marketing professionals discuss all aspects of the web design industry.

2003-2006 [Seminars](#)  
New York, NY  
Attended numerous seminars pertaining to the field of children's clothing design: color theory, trends, forecasting and up-to-date technologies.

2001 - 2002 [Fashion Conventions](#)  
MAGIC Convention in Las Vegas, NV - the preeminent trade event in the international fashion industry, hosting global buyers and sellers of men's, women's and children's apparel, footwear, accessories and sourcing resources. Attended the convention three times.

1998 - 2004 [Comic Book Conventions](#)  
SPX (Small Press Expo), Bethesda, MD, 1998-2004  
SPX-iles (Small Press Expo NYC) – Brooklyn, NY, October 2001  
APE (Alternative Press Expo), San Fransisco, CA, 2000 & 2004  
MoCCA (Museum of Comic and Cartoon Art), New York, NY, 2002 & 2003  
SPACE (Small Press and Alternative Comics Expo), Columbus, OH, 2004

#### [Professional Affiliations](#)

AIGA: The Professional Association of Design, 2011  
Golden Key National Honor Society – Member

#### [Exhibitions](#)

Jun 1<sup>st</sup> - Jun 25<sup>th</sup>, 2011 *Viewpoints*  
Aljira Center for Contemporary Art, Newark, NJ

Jan 21<sup>st</sup> - April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2011 *33rd Bradley International Print & Drawing Exhibition*  
Heuser Art Center Gallery, Bradley University, Peoria, IL

Jan 14<sup>th</sup> - Mar 18<sup>th</sup>, 2011 *25th International Juried Exhibit*  
Visual Arts Center of NJ, Summit, NJ

Sep 3<sup>rd</sup> - Sep 29<sup>th</sup>, 2010 *Reunion: Invitational Exhibit of 100 Alumni*  
Slocumb Galleries, East Tennessee State University, Johnson City, TN

Oct 29<sup>th</sup> - Dec10<sup>th</sup>, 2010 *Black & White Exhibit*  
K.A.S. Gallery, Louisville, KY

Oct 15<sup>th</sup> - Nov 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010 *Nexus NJ*  
Arts Guild of New Jersey, Rahway, NJ

Sep 3<sup>rd</sup> - Sep 29<sup>th</sup>, 2010 *Axiom of Gesture*  
*Runnels Gallery, Eastern New Mexico University, Portales, NM*

Sep 7<sup>th</sup> - Oct 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010 *Shanghai Exchange*  
*The Madelon Powers Gallery, East Stroudsburg University, East Stroudsburg, PA*

May 3<sup>rd</sup> - Jul 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2010 *North Carolina Public Exhibition Series (3-person Exhibit)*  
Chapel Hill Town Hall, Chapel Hill, NC

Mar 19<sup>th</sup> - Sep 17<sup>th</sup>, 2010 *FEERO MOLAF DUUL (Solo Exhibition)*  
William King Regional Art Center, Adingdon, VA

Feb 5<sup>th</sup> - Mar 20<sup>th</sup>, 2010 *Appalachian Faculty Biennial*  
*Catherine J. Smith Gallery in the Turchin Center for the Visual Arts, Boone, NC*

Jan 12<sup>th</sup> - Feb 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2010 *Drawing Discourse*  
*S. Tucker Cooke Gallery (UNC-Asheville Campus), Asheville, NC*

Aug 4<sup>th</sup> - Sep 7<sup>th</sup>, 2009 *Organism (Solo Exhibition)*  
Infantree Gallery, Lancaster, PA

Jul 4<sup>th</sup> - Jul 27<sup>th</sup>, 2009 *From the Earth*  
Nelson Fine Art Gallery, Johnson City, TN

Apr 20<sup>th</sup> - Apr 24<sup>th</sup>, 2009 *Selections from the Mockingbird*  
Slocumb Galleries at East Tennessee State University, Johnson City, TN

Mar 2<sup>nd</sup> - Mar 20<sup>th</sup>, 2009 *Adjunxtaposition 2: Adjunct Faculty Exhibit*  
Slocumb Galleries at East Tennessee State University, Johnson City, TN

Feb 23<sup>rd</sup> - Feb 28<sup>th</sup>, 2009 *SCHEMA: MFA Thesis Exhibition (Solo Exhibition)*  
Slocumb Galleries at East Tennessee State University, Johnson City, TN

Jan 20<sup>th</sup> - Feb 26<sup>th</sup>, 2009 *Look at the Mess You Made: MFA Exhibition*  
B. Carroll Reece Museum, Johnson City, TN

Dec 1<sup>st</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>, 2008 *The Postcard Show & Silent Art Auction*  
Slocumb Galleries at East Tennessee State University, Johnson City, TN

Sep 29<sup>th</sup> - Oct 24<sup>th</sup>, 2008 *Look Out Below: Group Installation Show*  
Tipton Street Gallery, Johnson City, TN

Oct 10<sup>th</sup> - Nov 9<sup>th</sup>, 2008 *Emergence (Solo Exhibition)*  
Caladan Gallery, Cambridge, MA

Aug 10<sup>th</sup> - Sep 9<sup>th</sup>, 2008 *Mystery in the Natural World*  
Caladan Gallery, Cambridge, MA

Aug 25<sup>th</sup> - Sep 26<sup>th</sup>, 2008 *Americas 2008: All Media*  
Northwest Art Center at Minot State University, Minot, ND

Jun 1<sup>st</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup>, 2008 *Ferrous & Non-Ferrous: Iron Sculpture & Prints*  
Nelson Fine Art Gallery, Johnson City, TN

Mar 7<sup>th</sup> - Apr 4<sup>th</sup>, 2008 *Selections (from the iNDA)*  
Manifest Creative Research Gallery and Drawing Center, Cincinnati, OH

Mar 2<sup>nd</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup>, 2008 *Nothing in Common (Three Person Show)*  
Nelson Fine Art Gallery, Johnson City, TN

Feb 8<sup>th</sup> - Mar 21<sup>st</sup>, 2008 *22nd International Juried Show*  
Visual Arts Center of New Jersey, Summit, NJ

Mar 24<sup>th</sup> - Apr 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2008 *Eleventh Annual Open Juried Exhibition*  
Court Gallery, Ben Shahn Galleries, William Paterson University, Wayne, NJ

Jan 24<sup>th</sup> - Feb 18<sup>th</sup>, 2008 *Marks: Graduate Student Exhibition*  
B. Carroll Reece Museum, Johnson City, TN

Jan 15<sup>th</sup> - Feb 27<sup>th</sup>, 2008 *Americas 2000 Paper Works Competition*  
Northwest Art Center at Minot State University, Minot, ND

Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup>, 2007 *The Postcard Show & Silent Art Auction*  
Slocumb Galleries at East Tennessee State University, Johnson City, TN

Nov 1<sup>st</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup>, 2007 *Coming of Age: 21st Annual National Juried Fine Arts Exhibition*  
Sponsored by the Cultural Arts Council of Douglasville, GA

Oct 25<sup>th</sup> - Nov 30<sup>th</sup>, 2007 *Shape+Form+Texture: A National Juried Fine Art Competition and Exhibition*  
Associated Artists of Winston-Salem, NC

Oct 1<sup>st</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup>, 2007 *October Exhibition*  
Projekt 30 Gallery at [www.projekt30.com](http://www.projekt30.com)

Jul 1<sup>st</sup> - Dec 1<sup>st</sup>, 2007 *Museum of Natural History Grand Opening Exhibition*  
Museum of Natural History, Gray, TN

Sep 1<sup>st</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup>, 2007 *September Exhibition*  
Emerging Artists Group at [www.emergingartistsgroup.com](http://www.emergingartistsgroup.com)

Sep 1<sup>st</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup>, 2007 *Paradox*  
21st Century Juried Art Competition

Jul 6<sup>th</sup> - Oct 6<sup>th</sup>, 2007 *Halpert Biennial 2007*  
Turchin Center for the Visual Arts, Appalachian State University, Boone, NC

Jul 2<sup>nd</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup>, 2007 *Adjunxtaposition*  
Slocumb Galleries at East Tennessee State University, Johnson City, TN

- Jun 12<sup>th</sup> - Aug 1<sup>st</sup>, 2007 *Arts United Spotlight Juried Exhibition*  
Arts United, Lexington, NC
- Apr 2<sup>nd</sup> - Apr 26<sup>th</sup>, 2007 *The 42nd Annual Appalachian Art Show*  
Kingsport Art Guild: Renaissance Center, Kingsport, TN
- Feb 5<sup>th</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2007 *New Work: Graduate Student Exhibition*  
B. Carroll Reece Museum, Johnson City, TN
- Apr 1<sup>st</sup> - Jun 30<sup>th</sup>, 2007 *Artistic Revolution 2: The Courtship Behavior Between Art and Science*  
Renaissance Center, Kingsport, TN
- Jan 8<sup>th</sup> - Mar 29<sup>th</sup>, 2007 *Artistic Revolution 1: The Courtship Behavior Between Art and Science*  
B. Carroll Reece Museum, Johnson City, TN
- Mar 2003 *First Friday*  
Monroe Center for the Arts, Hoboken, NJ
- Nov 7<sup>th</sup>, 1997 - Jan 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1998 *Innovating Tradition: An Exhibition of Artists Books*  
John Cotton Dana Library, Newark, NJ
- Apr 6<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup>, 1998 *Anomie: BFA Thesis Show*  
Main Gallery, Mason Gross School of the Arts, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ

### Awards

Best in Show - *25th International Juried Exhibit* - Visual Arts Center of NJ, Summit, NJ

Honorable Mention - *Axiom of Gesture* - Runnels Gallery, Portales, NM

Solo Award Winner – *Mystery in the Natural World* – Caladan Gallery, Cambridge, MA

Honorable Mention - *22nd International Juried Show* – Visual Arts Center of New Jersey, Summit, NJ.

First Place Juror Award – *Mockingbird 2009* (Art Category) for the ETSU Student Art and Literary Catalogue. Johnson City, TN.

Honorable Mention (2nd Entry) – *Mockingbird 2007* (Art Category) for the ETSU Student Art and Literary Catalogue. Johnson City, TN.

Honorable Mention (1st Entry) – *Mockingbird 2008* (Art Category) for the ETSU Student Art and Literary Catalogue. Johnson City, TN.

Semi-Finalist – *September Exhibition* - Emerging Artists Group – September 1st to September 30th

Merit Award – *Paradox Exhibit* - September 2007 – 21st Century Juried Art Competition

Honorable Mention – *Mockingbird 2007* (Art Category) for the ETSU Student Art and Literary Catalogue. Johnson City, TN.

Full Tuition Scholarship – East Tennessee State University – September 2006 to May 2009

Edward J. Bloustein Scholarship – Rutgers the State University of New Jersey  
September 1994 to May 1998.

#### Permanent Collections

Museum of Natural History, Gray, TN  
East Tennessee State University, Johnson City, TN  
San Diego State University Library  
Lambiek.net Comiclopedia  
NJPAC (New Jersey Performing Arts Center), Newark, NJ

#### Publications/Press

A! Magazine, Volume 17, No. 8, August 2010  
Manifest National Drawing Annual 2008  
Mockingbird 2007/08/09 – award winning literary and fine arts magazine  
Vision Magazine Vol. 2, Issues 11, 15 & 16 - Featured Artist Vol. 2, Issue 13  
The East Tennessean, Thursday, October 16th, 2008  
Johnson City Press, March 7th, 2008 & March 16th, 2008  
Children's Business Magazine - 2004  
Earnshaw's Magazine - March 2003  
Eep Comics, Issues 1-4  
Comic Library International, Issues #2, 3 & 4  
EXPO 2000 – Small Press Expo juried independent comic compilation  
Impulse Freak #2 – collaborative comic effort  
CAR Comics Presents, Issues #1-5  
The Greenprint – Cook College weekly newspaper  
John Doe Comics – Rutgers College's bi-monthly comic newspaper  
The Inside Beat - weekly entertainment insert of the Daily Targum

#### Publishing Experience

Art Director - *The Inside Beat*  
Editor - *CAR Comics Presents*  
Assistant Editor - *John Doe Comics*  
Assistant Editor/Designer - *Babies 'R' Us Fall Catalog 1998*

#### Technical Skills

Adobe Illustrator  
Adobe Photoshop  
Adobe InDesign  
HTML/CSS  
Quark XPress  
Dreamweaver, Textmate  
Microsoft Office  
Printmaking – Intaglio, Lithography, Screenprinting, Digital