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Education

The Ohio State University Columbus, Ohio
M.F.A. in Studio Art, 2004

University of Alaska Anchorage Anchorage, Alaska
B.A. in Art, Magna Cum Laude, 2001

Springfield College Springfield, Massachusetts
Candidate for a M.S. in Physical Therapy, 1996 – 1999

Professional Appointments

2022 -	INDIANA UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, <i>Professor</i> Sculpture
2016 - 2022	INDIANA UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, <i>Associate Professor</i> Sculpture
2011 - 2016	INDIANA UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, <i>Assistant Professor</i> Sculpture
2008 - 2011	UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH, <i>Part-time Faculty</i> Sculpture
2008	CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY, <i>Adjunct Assistant Professor</i> Foundations
2005 - 2007	HERRON SCHOOL OF ART AND DESIGN, <i>Adjunct Faculty</i> Sculpture and Foundations
2003 - 2004	THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY, <i>Instructor of Record</i> Ceramics

Institution Building

2019 - 2022	<i>Sculpture</i> Support System, co-founder with Sharon Massey Artist collective working in participatory public art.
2017 -	<i>STEAMSHOP</i> , co-creator with Sharon Massey Creation of campus-wide digital fabrication laboratory with new interdisciplinary engaged learning curriculum. Indiana University of Pennsylvania
2015 - 2022	<i>Art in the Arboretum</i> , co-developer with Jerry Pickering Creation and administration of a donor funded public art program for the Allegheny Arboretum. Indiana University of Pennsylvania
2014 - 2016	<i>ART MASTER PLANNING INITIATIVE</i> , co-lead with Chris McGinnis. Performed a best practice analysis of art initiatives sited in post-industrial facilities throughout the Mid-Atlantic region and developed and implemented an organizational plan for Rivers of Steel Arts. Rivers of Steel Heritage Area located in Western PA

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Public Art

- 2013 - *Alloy Pittsburgh*, co-creator with Chris McGinnis
Artist residency and temporary site-based exhibition of regional artists at the Carrie Furnaces National Historic Landmark site, Pittsburgh, PA
- 2020, 21, 22 *Traffic Island Oasis*, with Sharon Massey and Sculpture Support System Indiana, PA
- 2020, 21, 22 *Common Goods*, with Sharon Massey and Sculpture Support System Indiana, PA
- 2020, 21 *Design Stars of IUP*, with Sharon Massey. Indiana, PA
- 2020, 21 *The Monument Project*, with Sharon Massey and Sculpture Support System. Western PA
- 2020 *The Quarantine Companion*, with Sharon Massey and Sculpture Support System OFFICE OF PUBLIC ART. Pittsburgh
- 2016-2018 *Answering the Call*, project director and lead fabricator INDIANA UNIVERSITY of PENNSYLVANIA. Indiana, PA
- 2011 *Chatham Passage*, solo artist project INDIANAPOLIS CULTURAL TRAIL, Indianapolis, IN
- 2005 *Charting Pogue's Run*, solo artist project ARTS COUNCIL OF INDIANAPOLIS. Indianapolis, IN
- 2005 *Outdoor Classroom*, solo artist project UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA ANCHORAGE. Homer, AK

Exhibitions

- 2022 WESTON ART GALLERY, Cincinnati, OH (solo)
- 2021 ICE HOUSE, *Push and Pull*, Pittsburgh, PA. with Sharon Massey
IUP UNIVERSITY MUSEUM, *Maps*
- 2020 PENNSYLVANIA STATE MUSEUM, *Art of the State*
- 2018 ARLINGTON ARTS CENTER, *to borrow breath*, (solo)
KAUFMAN GALLERY, *Net(work)*, Shippensburg, PA
- 2016 GALLERY 709, *Homage*, Pittsburgh, PA (solo)
DAS KLOHÄUSCHEN, *Vivarium*, Munich, Germany (solo)
GOGGLEWORKS CENTER FOR THE ARTS, (solo)
SPACE GALLERY, *John Reigert*, Pittsburgh, PA

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2015	INDIANAPOLIS ART CENTER, <i>Make Believe</i> , (solo)
	UNIVERSITY MUSEUM, <i>Triennial</i> , Indiana, PA
	MECHANICAL ART AND DESIGN MUSEUM, England
	WESTMORELAND MUSEUM OF AMERICAN ART, (solo)
2014	PITTSBURGH CENTER FOR THE ARTS, <i>Pittsburgh Biennial</i>
	WA YOUNG AND SONS FOUNDRY, <i>Accompaniment</i> , (solo)
2013	ART FACTORY, The International Textile Show, Patterson, NJ
	GALERÍA ALTERNATIVA, <i>The Walking City</i> , Palermo, Sicily ITALY
	PINEBOX ART CENTER, <i>New Frontiers</i> , Baltimore, MD
2012	ANCHORAGE MUSEUM AT RASMUSON CENTER, <i>True North</i>
	UNIVERSITY MUSEUM, Multiversity, Indiana, PA
	FUTURE TENANT, Pittsburgh, PA
2011	CHILDRENS MUSEUM OF PITTSBURGH, <i>Make Pittsburgh</i>
2010	MATTRESS FACTORY, <i>Summer in the City</i> , Pittsburgh, PA
	PITTSBURGH CENTER FOR THE ARTS, <i>Cluster</i> , Pittsburgh, PA
2009	NATIONAL PARK(ING) DAY, <i>FancyLand</i>
2008	THE TRUST FOR PUBLIC LAND, <i>Park(ing) Day</i>
	CITY OF BRADDOCK, <i>An Interlude to Stillness</i> , (solo)
	UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH, <i>Faculty Exhibition</i>
2007	ART IN ACTION, <i>An Interlude to Stillness (solo)</i> , New Orleans
	INTERNATIONAL GALLERY OF CONTEMPORARY ART, <i>Rehearsing Spring (solo)</i> , Anchorage, AK
2006	NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR FITNESS AND SPORT, <i>Resist Shivering</i> , (solo). Indianapolis, IN
	CLEVELAND STATE UNIVERSITY, <i>Into View</i> , Cleveland, OH
	GALLERY 400, <i>Notions of Expenditure</i> , Chicago, IL
2005	INDIANA UNIVERSITY FULLER PROJECTS, <i>Compacting Breath (solo)</i> , Bloomington, IN

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2005 THE SCULPTURE CENTER, *The Soundings of a Weightless Line (solo)*, Cleveland, OH

2004 WATERMAN AGRICULTURAL CENTER, *The Production of Stopping (solo)*, Columbus, OH

443 HOPKINS HALL, *Compacting Breath (solo)*, Columbus, OH

YORK UNIVERSITY, *Crossing Borders 2*, Toronto, Ontario

SOL KOSSLER GALLERY, RISD, *RISD and OSU Graduate Exchange Show*, Providence, RI

HOPKINS HALL GALLERY, *Fergus Gilmore Award Show*, OH

Design + Build

2023 COOP (15 sqft). New construction. Services included design, construction and installation. Project involved creation of welded geodesic chicken habitat with insulated coop.

2022 STUDIO (1660 sqft). New construction. Services included design, permitting, and construction. Project involved creation of high efficiency building envelope and new electrical service

2021 BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE (120 sqft). New construction. Services included design, construction and Installation. Project involved creation of temporary indoor accessory structure with functional electrical components.

CAR BARN (860 sqft). New construction. Services included design and construction.

2019 - 2021 MCHENRY RESIDENCE (2,650 sqft). Addition and structural renovation. Services included design, permitting, and construction. Project involved installing a high efficiency building envelope, windows, siding, and roofing; updating electrical and plumbing systems throughout; remodeling kitchen and baths (3.5); and construction of custom cabinetry and cast concrete countertops.

2015 MONONGAHELA APARTMENTS (3840 sqft). Apartment renovations. Services included design, permitting, and construction. Project involved window, electrical, plumbing and HVAC upgrades; and four kitchen and four bath remodels.

2012 INN AT THREE SNAGS (1,500 sqft). New construction. Services included design consultation and whole home wiring.

2011 SCHROYER RESIDENCE (1866 sqft). Full home renovation. Services included design, permitting, and construction. Project included windows, electrical, kitchen, and baths (2).

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2009

MIRIAM RESIDENCE* (1296 sqft). Full home renovation. Services included design, permitting, and construction. Project involved upgrades to electrical, plumbing, and HVAC systems; new kitchen and bath; and design, build, and installation of custom cabinetry and cast concrete countertops.

*Winner of the 2013 *Pittsburgh Design Center Renovation Inspiration Contest*

2008

SWISSVALE STUDIO (876 sqft). Demolition and new construction. Services included design, permitting, and construction.

2004

HENSONBURG RESIDENCE (880 sqft). Structural renovation. Services included design, permitting, and construction. Project involved upgraded windows, siding and roofing; new electrical and plumbing throughout; and renovation of kitchen and bath.

KENAI SHOP (675 sqft). New construction. Services included framing and roofing.

1996

BELUGA WETLANDS WILDLIFE VIEWING PLATFORM (750 sqft). New construction. Services included design, fundraising, permitting, and construction. Project involved coordinating financial contributions and in-kind services by AK Dept of Fish and Game, Homer Electric Association, and Spenard Builders Supply. Permits acquired from the Corps of Engineers, FAA, Alaska Department of Transportation, and City of Homer.

Curatorial Practice

2020-2021

Alloy Pittsburgh Advisory Board, Rivers of Steel Corporation

2017 -2018

Alloy Pittsburgh with Chris McGinnis
CARRIE FURNACES NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK

2015 - 2019

Arts Advisory Board, RIVERS OF STEEL HERITAGE CORP.

2014 -2015

Alloy Pittsburgh with Chris McGinnis
CARRIE FURNACES NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK

2011 - 2013

Alloy Pittsburgh with Chris McGinnis
CARRIE FURNACES NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK

2013

Prelude with Chris McGinnis
UNSMOKE SYSTEMS, Braddock, PA + KIPP GALLERY

2007 - 2008

Curatorial Committee, GREAT IDEAS COMPETITION

2007

Advisory Board, ART IN ACTION, New Orleans, LA

2005 - 2007

Public Art Advisory Board, ARTS COUNCIL OF INDIANAPOLIS

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Honors

2021	Shortlisted for Carol R. Brown Creative Achievement Award
2020	First Prize in Sculpture, <i>Art of the State</i> , PA STATE MUSEUM
2017	Faculty Achievement in Scholarship, IUP
2014	Faculty Achievement in Scholarship, IUP
2012	A Monumental Affair Public Art Award for <i>Chatham Passage</i> , KEEP INDIANAPOLIS BEAUTIFUL, INC.
2006	Public Art Year in Review, AMERICANS FOR THE ARTS
2006	A Monumental Affair Public Art Award for <i>Charting Pogue's Run</i> , KEEP INDIANAPOLIS BEAUTIFUL, INC.

Grants + Contracts

2022	Fellowship, IUP SENATE RESEARCH COMMITTEE
	Grant, PASSHE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
2020	Fellowship, IUP SENATE RESEARCH COMMITTEE
	Public Art Commission, PITTSBURGH OFFICE OF PUBLIC ART, <i>The Quarantine Companion</i>
	Mini-Grant, IUP Reflective Practice Project
	Technology and Innovation Grant, IUP ACPAC COMMITTEE
2017	Investing in Professional Artists, PITTSBURGH FOUNDATION
2016	Grant, IUP SENATE RESEARCH COMMITTEE
	Technology and Innovation Grant, IUP ACPAC COMMITTEE
2015	Grant, PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
	Grant, IUP SENATE RESEARCH COMMITTEE
2014	Grant, RIVERS OF STEEL HERITAGE CORPORATION
	New Investigators Grant, IUP SENATE RESEARCH COMMITTEE
	Technology and Innovation Grant, IUP ACPAC COMMITTEE
2013	Flight School Fellowship, PITTSBURGH ARTS
	Professional Development Retreat, CREATIVE CAPITAL
	Project Stream Grant, PENNSYLVANIA COUNCIL ON THE ARTS

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2012	Seed Award, THE SPROUT FUND
	Technology and Innovation Grant, IUP A.C.P.A.C. COMMITTEE
2011	Public Art Commission, INDIANAPOLIS CULTURAL TRAIL, <i>Chatham Passage</i>
2009	Fellowship in Visual Art, PEACOUNCIL ON THE ARTS
2005	Public Art Commission, ARTS COUNCIL OF INDIANAPOLIS, <i>Charting Pogue's Run</i>
	Public Art Commission, UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA ANCHORAGE, Outdoor Classroom
2003	Grant, EDITH FERGUS GILMORE MATERIALS FUND
	Fellowship, THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY
2002	Career Opportunity Grant, AK STATE COUNCIL ON THE ARTS
2000 - 2001	Scholarship, UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA ANCHORAGE

Invited Lectures

ISAM, Georgia Tech University, Atlanta, GA
STEAM and the Future of Education, Porto, Portugal
Sculpture Support System, Sculpture X, Pittsburgh, PA
Arlington Arts Center, Arlington, VA
Shippensburg University, Shippensburg, PA
SIX x ATE, Casey Droege Cultrual Productions, Pittsburgh, PA
Guest Critic, Neu Kirche Contemporary Art Center, Pittsburgh
Techshop, Pittsburgh, PA
White River Festival, Indianapolis, IN
Arts in Society Conference, England Derry, S & McGinnis, C.
PAVE Conference, Tucson, Arizona McGinnis, C. & Derry, S.
International Visual Sociology Conference, Pittsburgh, PA
Arts in Society Conference, Italy. Derry, S. & McGinnis, C.
The Society for Contemporary Crafts, Pittsburgh, PA
The Wide Reach of Appalachia, Indiana University of PA
University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA
Lusher School, New Orleans, LA
New Orleans Center for Creative Arts, New Orleans, LA
InShape Indiana Health Summit, Indiana Convention Center
Herron School of Art and Design, Indianapolis, IN
Arts Council of Indianapolis, Indianapolis, IN
Indiana University, Bloomington, IN

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Rhode Island School of Design, Providence, RI

York University, Toronto, Ontario

Holter Museum, Helena, MT

Teaching

2021-2022	MFA Thesis Advisor for Jon Grengs and Emmanuel Ntow
2021	Undergraduate Research Grant, Jessica Jones. Faculty Mentor
2021	IUP Scholars Forum 1 st Prize in Juried Art, Jessica Jones. Faculty Mentor
2020-2021	MFA Thesis Committee for Tyler Stanton. BFA Advisor for Katie West and Colleen May
2020	Undergraduate Research Grant, Jessica Jones. Faculty Mentor
2020	Faculty U SOAR Advisor for projects by Jennifer Freno and Jessica Jones
2019	International Sculpture Center's Outstanding Student Achievement in Contemporary Sculpture Award, Tyler Gaston.
2018-2019	MFA Thesis Advisor for Tyler Gaston and Shelia Swartz, MA Thesis Advisor for Heather Kaiser, MFA Thesis Committee Member Katie Ott
2019	Undergraduate Research Grant, Jessica Jones. Faculty Mentor
2017-2018	MA Thesis Advisor for Justin Smith
2016-2017	MFA Thesis Advisor for Tal Gluck
2015-2016	MA Thesis Advisor for Sheila Swartz
2013-2014	MFA Thesis Advisor for Kayla Bennet
2012-2013	MFA Thesis Advisor for Laurie Barnes
2012	Graduate Research Grant, Laurie Barnes. Faculty Mentor
2011-2012	MFA Thesis Advisor for Emily Sciulli, MFA Committee Member Chad Whitaker
2011	Graduate Research Grant, Emily Sciulli. Faculty Mentor

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