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Education

Philadelphia College of Art, BFA, 1974
Principles of Drawing, Albany, NY 1978
Continuous group Drawing courses, Belfast, ME 1980-1983
Studio Drawing/Painting, Art Annex, Belfast, ME 1996-2000
Welding, Waldo Regional Technical School, Waldo, ME 1998-2000
Art History, University of ME, Hutchinson Center, Belfast, ME 2000
Icon Painting, Massachusetts College of Art, 2000
Drawing Retreat, Haystack School of the Arts, Deer Isle, ME 2001
Book Arts, University of ME, Orono, 2004

Teaching Experience

Visiting Artist, Maine Schools, 1987-1993
Art Workshops, Farnsworth Museum, Rockland, ME 1993-2003
Maine Arts Commission, Education Programs, 1994 to present
Summer Art Workshops, Penobscot Marine Museum, Searsport, ME 1994-1997
Drawing classes, Hersey Retreat Elder Hostel, Maine 1995-1999
Art Course, spring semester, Rockport College, Rockport, ME 1996
Art Educator, Toddy Pond School, Belfast, ME 1996-2009
Artist-in-Residence, East Side School, Belfast, ME 2002-2003
Artist-in-Residence, Drinkwater School, Belfast, ME 2006
Art Instructor, Waterfall Arts, Belfast, ME 2002- present
Art Educator, Appleton Village School, Appleton, ME 2003-2007
Artist-in-Residence, Ironwood program for teens, Morrill, ME 2005-present

Artistic Background/Lectures

Curator for the summer season, Woodstock, NY 1978
Founding Member, ArtFellows Gallery, Belfast, ME 1980
Curator of exhibition Roots: Ethnicity in Maine, Union of ME Visual Artists, Ellsworth, ME 1996
Founder & Director of Art Annex, school for youth and adults, Belfast, ME 1996-2001
Curator, Marsh River Theatre Gallery, Brooks, ME, summer season 1999
Farnsworth Art Museum lecture, Rockland, ME 1998
Waterfall Arts lecture, Belfast, ME 2010

Other forms of Work

Poster Design, Theatrical company, Woodstock, NY 1977-1979
Book cover design, Thorndike Press, Unity, ME 1987-1989 & 1992
Nationally used Environmental Awareness game/tool for public and private schools, 1994
Illustrator, Country Roads Press, Castine, ME 1994 to 1995
2,000 sq. foot commission painted skating pond backdrop for actress Kirsti Alley, Islaboro, ME 1994
Mural design and execution, Me. View Jr. High School, Thorndike, ME 1995 and Toddy Pond School, 1999
Down East Books, Illustrator of children's books, 2005, 2007

One and Two Person Exhibitions

Ukrainian Artist Association, NYC 1977
Bluestone Patio Gallery Woodstock, NY 1978-1979
The ArtFellows Gallery, Belfast, ME 1981
The Belfast Library, Belfast, ME 1981, 1987, 2001, 2007
New York Clay Company, Belfast, ME 1984
The Bayview Gallery (two person), Portland, ME 1991
Caldebeck Gallery, Rockland, ME 1992
The Chocolate Church Art Gallery (two person), Bath, ME 1995
Harbor Square Gallery, Featured artist, Rockland, ME 1996
Mathias Fine Art, Trevette, ME 1997, 2000
MRT Gallery, Brooks, ME 1999
Thornton Oaks, Brunswick, ME 2001
Unity Center for the Performing Arts, Unity, ME 2001
L. Lizzard Gallery, Bar Harbor, ME 2004
Aarhus Gallery (two person), Belfast, ME 2009
Caldebeck Gallery, Rockland, ME 2010

Museum, University and College Exhibitions

Ulster County Community College, NYC, 1979
University of Maine, Orono, 1982
Unity College, Unity, ME 1992 (solo)
Farnsworth Museum, Rockland, ME 1993
Thomas College, Waterville, ME 1996 (solo)
Gilley Museum, Southwest Harbor, ME 1997
Maine Discovery Museum, Bangor, ME 2002
College of the Atlantic, Bar Harbor, ME 2003, 2005
University of Southern Maine, Portland, ME 2005
State House, Augusta, ME 2005
Lesley University, Cambridge, MA 2010 (solo)

Group Exhibitions

Woodstock Artists Association, Woodstock, NY 1976 to 1979
Bluestone Patio Gallery, Woodstock, NY 1977
Ukrainian Artists Association, NYC, 1977
Allied Artists of America, NYC, 1978
National Arts Club Watercolor Exhibit, NYC, 1978
Park Gallery, Albany, NY 1979, 1980
Audubon Artists Annual Exhibit, NYC, 1980
Maine Center for Contemporary Art, Rockport, ME, 1980, 1981, 1983, 1985, 1993, 2005
ArtFellows Gallery, Belfast, ME, 1980 to 1985, 1990 and 1997 Invitational
All Maine Biennial, Gorham, ME, 1981
Woodstock Guild of Craftsmen, Woodstock, NY, 1983
Caldebeck Gallery, Rockland, ME 1983, 1984, 1984, 1992
Christine York Gallery, Augusta, ME, 1985
407 Gallery, Rockland, ME, 1985
Bayview Gallery, Camden, ME, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1990, 1991, 1992
Hobe Sound North, Portland, ME, 1985, 1986, 1987
Maine Artists Show, Ithaca, NY, 1987
Frick Gallery, Belfast, ME, 1992
O'Farrell Gallery, Brunswick, ME, 1992
Ellsworth Public Library, Ellsworth, ME, 1995, 1996
Mathias Fine Art, Trevette, ME, 1996 - 2002
Davidson and Daughters, Portland, ME 1996
Spring Street Gallery, Belfast, ME 1997
Clark House Gallery, Bangor, ME 1998, 2002
NTWH Gallery, Belfast, ME 1999 - 2003
Camden Public Library, UMVA, Camden, ME, 2003 - 2004
MRT Gallery, Brooks, ME, 2009
Aarhus Gallery, Belfast, ME 2009-2010
Bangor Public Library, Bangor, ME, 2010

Awards

Lucette Ruellan Award, Woodstock, NY 1978

Honorable Mention, All Maine Biennial, Gorham, ME, 1981
Mathias Fine Art Purchase Award, Trewette, ME 2000
Honorable Mention, KVAA, Hallowell, ME 2011

Publications and Reviews

©Maine Art Now! by Edgar Allen Beam
Maine Public Radio Roots: Ethnicity in Maine Exhibition
Newspaper articles throughout Maine and beyond

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Woodstock Artists Association
Kalamr Designs, Inc., Wantagh, NY
MBNA Corp., Newark, Delaware and Camden, ME
Private Collections in the US, Canada and abroad

Personal Interests, Concerns and Involvement

Family / two children and their well-being, nature, foraging, gardening, hiking, cooking, wine making, tutor of Ukranian language, the environment and local politics.
Member of: Union of Maine Visual Artists, Natural Resources Council of Maine, CMCA