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Education

Post Baccalaureate Studies in Painting, Florida Gulf Coast University, Fall 2006

Graduate Course in Advanced Painting Techniques, Florida Atlantic University,
Fall 2005, Boca Raton, FL

B.A. Bachelor of Liberal Studies-Art, Florida Gulf Coast University, May 2004,
Fort Myers, FL, Magna Cum Laude

A.A. Associate in Arts, Valencia Community College, May 1983, Orlando, FL

Honors and Awards

Pine Island Art Association Scholarship, 2006

Art House Foundation Scholarship, 2005

Magna Cum Laude, Florida Gulf Coast University, May 2004

Art House Foundation Scholarship, 2003

Florida Water Color Society Tuition Grant, Single winner of statewide honor

Henderson, Franklin, Starns and Holt Emerging Artists Award, Juried award 2002

Exhibitions

2006

Bob Rauschenberg Gallery, Edison College, Fort Myers, FL, *Arts for Act ,
Preview Exhibit*, Juried group show of work to be auctioned at the annual Arts for
ACT Auction with featured artist Robert Rauschenberg

Space 39 Gallery, Fort Myers, FL, Group show of gallery artists

Harborside Convention Center, Fort Myers, FL, *Recycling Children Series*,
Four person group show

Art Center of Bonita Springs, *Regional Artists II*, Juried show,
Bonita Springs, FL

Sugden Welcome Center Gallery, Women's Work, One person show, Florida
Gulf Coast University, Fort Myers, FL

Addison Gallery, Bonita Springs, FL Group show

2005

Alliance for the Arts, Fort Myers, FL, *2D/3D Best in Show Winners: A Look
Back at the Past Decade of Winners*. Invitational Group Show

Alliance for the Arts, Fort Myers, FL, *2D/3D 2005 All Florida Juried Exhibit*,
Juror's Choice Award

Addison Gallery, Bonita Springs, FL, Group show

Alliance for the Arts, Fort Myers, *Love Effects*, Invitational Group Show
Alliance for the Arts, Fort Myers, FL, *Heat*, Member show
Rookery Bay Institute Gallery, Naples, FL, *A Sense of Place*, Juried group show

2004

Sugden Welcome Center Gallery, *Recycling Children*, One-person show, Florida Gulf Coast University, Fort Myers, FL Inaugural Exhibition
Rookery Bay Institute Gallery, Naples, FL *The Natural Elements: Fire, Air, Water, Earth*, Juried Exhibit
Florida Gulf Coast University Library Gallery, 911 Days After 9/11: *Where are We Now?* Invitational Group Show
Alliance for the Arts, Fort Myers, FL *Contextuals: Art Incorporating Text*. Three-person show
Alliance for the Arts, Fort Myers, FL *2D/3D 2004 All Florida Juried Exhibit*. Juried group show

2003

Alliance for the Arts, Fort Myers, FL *2D/3D 2003 All Florida Juried Exhibit*, Best in Show, Juried group show
Alliance for the Arts, Fort Myers, FL *Hooked*, Member show

2002

Von Leibig Art Center, Naples Art Association, Naples, FL *Identities and Autobiographies*, Juried group show
Florida Gulf Coast University Library Gallery, *The Four Elements*, One-person show
Gallery on Broadway, *9/11: An Artists View*, Fort Myers, FL Invitational group show

2001

Florida Gulf Coast University Whitaker Gallery, *Runway Earth: Wearable Art for a Sustainable World*, Group show
Von Leibig Art Center, Naples Art Association, Naples, FL *Sculpture Squared* Member Show

Art Related Community Service

Arts for ACT Auction 2006, Selected by jury for the live auction featuring celebrity auctioneer Lauren Hutton with feature artist Robert Rauschenberg

Hats Off to the Arts! Created an original work of art from a hard hat to be auctioned at a gala event to benefit the Florida Arts Cultural Center, Fort Myers, FL. Sponsored by Miami art collector Jorge Perez, CEO, The Related Group.

Exhibitions Committee, Lee County Alliance for the Arts. After serving as Exhibitions Intern, I was invited to join the committee as a voting member.

Art Royale 2005. Theme and Exhibitions Committee. Served on the committee to select artists from proposals submitted for the third annual fund-raiser for the Alliance for the Arts.

Pelicans in Paradise. Selected as one of forty artists from 120 proposals to design and decorate a 7' pelican icon. A benefit for the Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida. My sculpture, "Traveling Bird" was purchased by Chico's CEO Steve Edmunds for permanent display at their world headquarters. 2003

Festival of Trees 2000. Orlando Museum of Art, Orlando, FL. Created a 14' tall, Christmas tree shaped sculpture using 2138 ornaments, each with the name of a child waiting to be adopted in Florida. Each ornament was suspended with monofilament forming a conical shape of floating ornaments with no tree. "An ornament without a tree is like a child without a family" became the theme of the year-end pledge drive for the Children's Home Society.

Media Coverage

Arts for ACT 2006, Auction Catalogue. Photo of "Hope for Kids" with biographical paragraph

A Change in the Family Fabric, Feature article with color photos of ten of my paintings. News-Press, Fort Myers, FL April 22, 2006 Lifestyles.

Flappers to Forties, Auction Catalogue. November 5, 2005. Biographical paragraph with color photo of "Gopher". Hats Off to the Arts.

Social Scene: A Royale Preview, Tropicalia, The News-Press, October 9, 2005. Artist photo at Preview Party for Art Royale 2005.

Wozniak, Mary, **Hard Hats Ahead**. Granduer/Luxury Living on the Coast, Vol 3, No 5. October/November 2005. Article on the Hats off to the Arts artists with color photo of "Gopher". Mentioned as feature artist.

Artist Insider, Arts Alive, The Newsletter of the United Arts Council of Collier County. Vol 5, no. 4. Fall 2005. Paragraph about my showing at Addison Gallery with photo of "Thick n Thin".

Birtolo, Janina, *Media and Messages: Jeffrey Scott Lewis has Something to Say*. Times of the Islands Magazine. November 2004. Two page biographical article with color photos of "Recycling Children" series.

Wozniak, Mary, *Exhibit Focuses on Throwaway Children*. The News-Press, June 13, 2004. Article with color photos of "Recycling Children".

Artist's Exhibit Promotes Adoption, The News-Press Staff. The News-Press, June 20, 2004. Article on "Recycling Children" Exhibit.

Local Artist Exhibits paintings in New Margaret S. Sugden Welcome Center Gallery, Vision, Florida Gulf Coast University. Summer 2004. Article with color photos of "Recycling Children" series.

Alliance Opens Show Early, Arts Briefs. The News-Press. October 29, 2004. Article about the show "Contextuals: Art Incorporating Text".

Pereira, Miriam, *'Traveling Pelican' Ready to Board Flight*. The News-Press, February 14, 2003. Artist feature with color photo for "Pelicans in Paradise".

Pelicans in Paradise, Auction Catalogue. April 12, 2003. Auction by Sotheby's New York. Half page article with color photo of "Traveling Bird".

Pereira, Miriam, *Paradise for Pelican Fans*. Gulf Coasting, The News-Press. February 7, 2003. Article about the event and locations of the 40 pelicans with color photo of "Traveling Bird".

Orlando International Artsfest '86 Official Program. Cover art. The Orlando Sentinel, April 10, 1986. The poster art was used and credited as the cover of the supplement to the Sentinel that was used as the Official Program for the event. Also included a biographical article with artists photo and art image.

The 85 Most Interesting People in Central Florida, Central Florida Magazine, January, 1985. Page 52. Featured in Regional Lifestyle Magazine.

Visual Merchandising Experience

Merchandise Presentation Specialist, Walt Disney Co. Lake Buena Vista, FL
1997-2000

- One of two display artists hired for the opening of Disney's Animal Kingdom Theme Park
- Developed key store window displays from concept to installation supporting the park's storylines and merchandising strategies
- Designed custom display props, mannequins, merchandising units and procured their manufacture

Visual Merchandiser, Ace Hardware Corporation, Oakbrook, IL 1995-1997

- Corporate staff offered as a service to Ace Hardware Dealers
- Traveled the United States consulting with store owners on visual issues, fixture selections, merchandise display requirements and corporate identity issues.
- Interior Graphics and exterior signage specialist for use of Ace logo

Visual Merchandising Manager, Dillard's, Orlando, FL 1993-1995

- Implemented the corporate Visual Merchandising Standards
- Designed and installed specialty windows for Polo Ralph Lauren
- Designed and implemented visual strategy for the international convention of Chanel
- Corporate signage, graphics and display props

Manager of Store Graphics, Scotty's, Winter Haven, FL 1989-1993

- Developed new interior graphics programs for a 165 store chain of home centers and hardware stores
- Designed departmental logos, graphics, and point of purchase pricing systems
- Prepared graphics layouts for installation of graphics in new and remodeled stores
- Budgetary responsibility for projects up to \$300K
- Wrote and maintained the Visual Merchandising Manual for use in new store set-up and daily maintenance of visual merchandising aids

Visual Merchandising Manager, Dillard's, Orlando, FL 1986-1989

- Implemented the corporate Visual Merchandising Standards
- Designed key window displays
- Visual support weekly cosmetics promotions