



MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- A.T.R.-B.C. registration and certification with the American Art Therapy Association
- Art Therapist for "Painting an Empty Sky" Community Project for grieving families of the NASA Community
- Teacher of the year for 2008 at Clear Creek High School
- Calvin Creek Award – 2007/2008, recognition of valuable knowledge and dedication to staff and students of Special Education Department
- Completed B.A. and two M.A.'s while working full time
- Founded art school and art business
- Helped "at risk" and adjudicated youth resolve the "life issues" barriers to a more fulfilling and responsible life
- Exhibited prints in juried art exhibits and galleries, in MA, TX, NY, NJ, WA, GA, LaTeste, Bordeaux, France, Belgrade, Serbia, Bosnia and Hercegovina, Republic of Srpska, Republic Serbia
- Shared in an international grant and gave a multi-media monoprint workshop in Belgrade, Serbia
- Participated in the International Fine Arts Assembly, Printmaking Workshop in Visegrad, Bosnia

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

2013 - Present

Self-Employed

Printmaker/Art Therapy Consultant

2010 - 2013

Educator

*University of Houston Clear Lake – Houston, TX
Printmaking Instructor*

2001 - 2008

Art Teacher

*Clear Lake High School - Houston, TX
Victory Lakes - League City, TX
Clear Creek High School - League City, TX*

1998 - 2001

Educator/Consultant

*Houston Can!, Academy Alternative High School – Houston, TX
Responsibilities included teaching art, drama, early childhood development and parenting to "at risk" students*

1993 - 2000

Therapist/Private Practice

Child and family issues

8/95 - 6/98

Art Therapist/Art Teacher

*High Point Alternative High School for adjudicated and expelled youth.
Harris County Dept. Of Education, Psychological Services – Houston, TX*

8/88 - 6/94

Art Therapist

*Harris County Dept. of Education, Psychological Services – Houston, TX
Piloted a program in Clear Creek School District. Conducted in-services for counselors and teachers and was a member of the ARD committee.*

6/92 - 4/94

Art Therapist

*Boys/Girls Harbor – La Porte, TX
Piloted programming for children and house parents.*

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY (CONT'D)

- 6/93 - 9/93** **Art Therapy/Play Therapy Teacher**
University of Houston Clear Lake, Houston, TX
- 8/88 - 12/89** **Art Therapist**
St. Mary's Hospital – Galveston, TX
Adolescents in individual and group sessions.
- 9/85 - 6/88** **Art Teacher**
Clara Macy Elementary School – Bellingham, MA
Matriculated Special Education students into Art classes. Established and conducted psychodrama groups focused on peer, family, and other special issues. Trained SPED Aids. Conducted personal and professional growth workshops for teaching staff. Counseled staff on “challenging children”.
- 9/78 - 12/87** **Art Teacher**
Dubois' Art Studio – Franklin, MA
Founded and directed Art School emphasizing personal and artistic growth. Managed several employees. Organized and directed numerous Art retreat weekends. Inspired students to pursue higher education. Established two scholarship funds for college-bound students.
- 9/84 - 6/85** **Art Teacher**
Bellingham JR/SR Memorial High School – Bellingham, MA
- 6/73 - 8/78** **Director of Arts**
Pilgrim Day Camp – Framingham, MA

EDUCATION HISTORY

- 2006 - Present** Sculpture graduate studies at University of Houston Clear Lake, Houston, TX
- 7/12 - 8/12** Selected from an international field to complete a course in Aluminum Plate Lithography. Tamarind Institute, Albuquerque, NM
- 1/90 - 5/94** M.A. Humanities, University of Houston Clear Lake, Houston, TX
- 9/86 - 5/88** M.A. Lesley College. Expressive therapies. Cambridge, MA
- 9/75 - 5/82** B.A. Framingham State College. Art major and education minor, cum Laude. Framingham, MA
- 9/70 - 5/72** University of Massachusetts. Undirected courses. Amherst, MA

AFFILIATIONS

- Kappa Delta Pi National Honor Society in Education
- National Teachers Association
- Texas Art Teachers Association
- American Art Therapy Association
- South Texas Art Therapy Association

References available upon request.

SPECIAL SKILLS

- Mentoring students and new teachers
- Child and adolescent therapy
- Innovative and calm in challenging situations
- Teamwork
- Organizing and directing people
- Printmaking
- Teaching
- Photography