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ACADEMIC SUMMARY:

2001-2004 University of North Texas: Denton, Texas

MFA Masters of Fine Arts, Sculpture

Secondary Studio Area: **Digital Media**

Deans List; Treasurer of Academy of Graduate Artists; Awarded Teachers Assistant Design I & Design II

1997-2001 University of the Ozarks: Clarksville, Arkansas

BA Bachelors of Arts, Art

Minors: **Philosophy, Mathematics**

Presidential Scholar; Member of Alpha Chi Academic Association; Recipient of Art Scholarship two consecutive years. Graduated Magna-Cum-Laude

FORTH COMING:

2008 November - 2009 February, participating artist in The Texas Chair Project an exhibit at the **Austin Museum of Art** Austin, TX

2009 November, Solo show **McKinney Avenue Contemporary** Dallas, TX 75204

Dates to be announced Site-specific sculpture installation and lecture at Tarrant County College, Northwest Campus Walsh Libra

MUSEUM EXHIBITIONS

2007 Sept-Oct, Solo show, Access Denied, **Piedmont Arts Association**, Martinsville, VA

2006 June, Transformation, **The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, Washington, DC** sponsored by VSA arts (group show with catalogue, 3 pieces)

2005 September, 20th Annual Florida International Competition **Museum of Fine Arts Florida State University**, (group show with catalogue, 1 piece)

2005 April, Beaux Arts Ball: Studio Selections Benefit Auction **Dallas Museum of Art, Curator Gail Sachson**, Dallas, TX, (group show with catalogue, 1 piece)

SOLO EXHIBITIONS:

2006 March, Inaccessible Text, **McMurry University**, Abilene, TX

2005 May, Access Denied, **416west gallery**, Denison, TX

2005 February, Pursuing the Book, **Dallas Theater Center** Dallas TX,

2004 October, Eric McGehearty Solo Exhibition **Shelton School**, Dallas, TX

2004 September, Transparent Words **Tarrant County College South Campus**, Ft. Worth, TX

2004 May, MFA Solo Thesis Exhibition **Fort Worth Community Arts Center**, Ft. Worth, TX

2004 April, Unreadable Words **Dallas Public Library**, Dallas, TX

PUBLIC ART

2008-2010 Six Points Urban Village Project in progress: creating an artwork that integrates with the city redevelopment project. The art budget is \$50,000. Fort Worth, TX

2007-2008 Midland Sculpture Garden "Texas Landscape" outdoor sculpture on loan, Midland, TX

2007-2008 Irving Art Center "untitled" outdoor sculpture on loan, Irving, TX

2007-2008 Irving Art Center "Pressure" outdoor sculpture on loan Irving, TX

2004-2006 Fire Station # 8 outdoor bronze sculpture and window installation entitled "United We Stand" for the City of Ft. Worth, TX. Budget \$50,000. Nationally recognized at the 2007 Public Art Year in Review as one of the 40 best public art projects of the year. Voted 2007 Best Outdoor Art, *Fort Worth Weekly* Reader's Choice Award.

2005 Shelton School "Higher Education" privately purchased and donated to the school for permanent display in the lobby.

2003 Shelton School "The Miracle Worker" privately purchased and donated to the school for permanent display in the lobby.

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2007 December, group show **KRONOS Gallery** Staunton, VA
2007 January 27 - March 11, *Book Works* **Galveston Arts Center**, Galveston TX
2006 October, Silent Charity Auction at **Gerald Peters Gallery Dallas** Proceeds goes to the Bridge Breast Network helping women with Breast Cancer, Dallas TX
2006 October, sponsored by Merrill Lynch at the **World Financial Center, New York City**
2006 May 11–June 14, *Red&Yellow* **North Lake College** Irving TX
2006 June 7–July 12, "*Sculpture with a View*" 4 artist **Belmont Hotel** Dallas TX Curated by Hugo Garcia director of the DECORAZON gallery
2006 **Gerald Peters Gallery** South Gallery Dallas, Texas
2006 February, "*TSA WINNER'S Show*" **VACD Gallery** Dallas
2005 March, Houston TX *22nd National Juried Open Exhibition* sponsored by the Visual Arts Alliance Juried by Ann Shaw Lancaster, Executive Director, Houston Center for Contemporary Craft awarded Honorable Mention
2005 January, *Restricted Language* A two person show Eric McGehearty and Shawn Saumell, **The Bath House Cultural Center**, Curator Enrique Fernandez Cervantes, Dallas, TX
2004 October, Addison TX, *TSA "Discovered Dreams"* Juried by: **Margaret Robinette, Public Art Manager of the City of Dallas Office of Cultural Affairs; awarded 1st place and Honorable Mention**
2004 October, *Eastfield College Faculty Show* **Eastfield College**, Mesquite, TX
2004 April, *Less than 5 Feet* **Tarrant County College** Campus Gallery, Hurst, TX
2004 March, *FWCA Biennial: 39 Hour Show* **Ft. Worth Community Arts Center**, Ft. Worth, TX
2004 March, *TSA Exhibition at the NorthPark Center*, Dallas, TX Juried by: **Raymond Nasher; awarded Honorable Mention**
2003 *Grade & Gradation* **Oak Street Gallery** 2 artists, Eric McGehearty and Marcus Lopopolo, Denton, TX
2003 *The Sneak Peak* Oak Street Gallery, Denton, TX
2003 *Thematically Challenged* Oak Street Gallery, Denton, TX
2003 *Invitational Art Exhibit* Shelton School, Dallas, TX
2002 *Group Sculpture Exhibition* Lightwell Gallery, UNT Denton, TX
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2001 *5x7 Exhibition & Benefit Show* Jones Center for Contemporary Art, Austin, TX
2001 *Senior Art Show* Walton Fine Arts Gallery, Clarksville, AR
2000 *River Valley Art Gallery*, Russellville, AR
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GRANTS

2007 Nominated for the Wynn Newhouse Awards
2006 Recipient of the Puffin Foundation Ltd. Artist project grant

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2008 – Present Consultant and National Spokesperson, Recording for the Blind and Dyslexic
2004- Present Creative Director, McGehearty & Associates Inc.
2007 – 2007 Public Art Coordinator, City of Dallas Office of Cultural Affairs - Dallas, TX
2005 – 2006 Adjunct Professor, North Lake College - Irving TX
2004 – 2006 Adjunct Professor, Tarrant County College - Southeast Campus, Arlington, TX
2004 – 2005 Adjunct Professor, Eastfield College - Mesquite, TX
2001 – 2004 Teaching Assistant, University of North Texas - Denton, TX

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

2007- Present Member of the Advisory Committee for VAS Arts of Texas *ArtWorks: Creative Industries*
2007 September - Installation workshop at Patrick Henry Community College in Martinsville, Virginia
2007 September - Outdoor Sculpture workshop for the Henry County high school students Bassett, Virginia
2007 February - Judged National Arts Program's Art competition at DFW International Airport. The other Judges were Jed Morse, Curator for the Nasher Sculpture Center and Elaine Taylor, Gallery Manager for the Fort Worth Community Art Center.
2007-2008 - planning committee for the TSA's Sculpture Symposium at the Nasher Sculpture Center

LECTURES & ARTIST PRESENTATIONS

2008 February 26-29, Self Determination Project: speaking tour, Virginia
2008 April 14, Keynote with Heather McGehearty at the Dallas Dyslexia Information Group, Dallas TX
2007 November 3, Annual Conference for the International Dyslexia Association speaker at the Teen Symposium
2007 October 30, RFB&D Outreach Team Keynote Speaker Dallas TX
2007 October 11 Dallas ISD Keynote Speaker Dallas TX
2007 October 6, Wiley ISD Keynote Speaker Wiley TX
2007 October 4, Visual Arts Society of Texas, Keynote Speaker, Denton TX
2007 September 6, Artist talk at New College Institute Martinsville, Virginia
2007 September 7, Gallery Talk Piedmont Arts Association, Martinsville, VA
2007 May 10, Fairpark Rotary Club Keynote Speaker on Art in Public Places
2007 April 25, Lewisville ISD keynote speaker "A New Vision" Lewisville TX
2007 January 31, Dallas ISD keynote speaker "A New Vision" Dallas TX
2006 November 7, North Tarrant County Dyslexia Council Southlake, TX
2006 October 20, Panelists at the Shelton's 30th anniversary Program, Dallas TX
2006 October 17, guest speaker at Region 10 Education Service Center Workshop, Garland TX
2006 June, gallery talk with students from Kingsbury School at the John F. Kennedy Center Washington, D.C.
2006 May 8, keynote speaker at the Winston School Dallas, *LD lecture Series*
2006 March 22, Panelist at "LD/ADHD in the Workplace" panel discussion at Southern Methodist University
2006 February 4, Lecture "Going Digital" superimposing images for the purpose of public art site specific proposals
2005 October, Keynote speaker at the VSA Art Conference *Finding the Balance: Meeting the Access Needs of Both Artists and Organizations* in Denton, Texas
2005 June, One of three special guest speakers at the Conference *ARTiculation: Empowerment thru Expression*, Little Rock AR
2005 March, guest lecturer at Texas Wesleyan University "Intersection of Art and the Random."
2004 May, Keynote speaker at the Shelton School 2004 Graduation
2004 April, Lecture & tour of my sculpture at the Dallas Public Library for the Dallas Academy and Fair Hill School high school students.
2004 March, lecture on my academic background and current work for Shelton School students and faculty as part of their *Project Heroes* Program.

CATALOGS, PRESS AND ARTICLES

2008 featured artist on the The Art of Living Gallery a cable television program on Veria network.
2007 September 9, Martinsville Bulletin: Accent A Jumble of Words by Holly Kozelsky front page feature story
2007 September, Fort Worth Weekly Readers Choice best outdoor Art
2007 September, Denton Record Chronicle UNT Graduate's Art Tackles Severe Dyslexia by Barron Ludlum
2006 November, ACCESS DENIED: the art and life of Eric McGehearty a documentary film by Leah Bell
2006 June, Washington Post color image featured in Our Picks artists section of the Sunday Source
2006 June, Transformation an International Juried Exhibit by Artist with Disabilities Catalog
2005 December, The North Texan Magazine (winter issue) Everyone's Struggles By Ellen Rossetti, reprinted in the Rio Grande Herald March 30, 2006
2005 July, Denton Record Chronicle Undeniable Accessibility: Sculptor's dyslexia is the subject of his art by Lucinda Breeding / Arts & Entertainment Editor
2005 September, 20th Annual Combined Talents Florida International Competition Catalog
2005 May, North Texas E-News 'Access Denied' but not at Denison gallery by Dwayne Wilder
2005 May, African Mosaique 2005 Beaux arts Ball Catalog Dallas Museum of Art
2004 September 29, The Collegian Artwork becomes books of knowledge for SE Teacher by Lindsey Bever and Misty Daniel, Staff Reporters Fort Worth, Texas
2004 April 14, North Texas Daily Taking Risks and Making Art by Shane Gibson, Staff Writer Denton, Texas
2004 March 30, Dallas Morning News brief about solo art exhibition at the Dallas Public Library 2004 by Tom Sime, Entertainment Writer Dallas, Texas
2003, Denton Record Chronicle article about Eric McGehearty's call for books for his sculpture that raises awareness for learning disabilities

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

College Art Association
International Sculpture Center
VSA Arts