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Education

- 1999 Master of Fine Arts –Sculpture
School of Art, East Carolina University, Greenville, North Carolina
- 1996 Bachelor of Fine Arts – Sculpture
University of North Carolina at Asheville

Academic Experience

- 2011 – Present
Teaching Chair, Art Program, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
Professor of Art, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
- 2008 – 2011
Associate Professor of Art. Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
Gallery Curator. Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
- 2002 – 2008
Assistant Professor of Art. Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
Gallery Curator. Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
- 2000 - 2002
Instructor of Art. Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
Assistant Gallery Curator, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
- 1999-2000
Adjunct Faculty, East Carolina University, Greenville, NC
- 1997-1999
Graduate Assistantship, East Carolina University, Greenville, NC
- 1995 **Sculpture Foundry and Studio Assistant, University of North Carolina at Asheville**

Workshops Conducted

- 2014 Gold Leaf & Gilding, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
- 2011 Workshop in Gold-Leaf Techniques, Central Illinois Woodturners Association, IL
- 2010 3D Modeling Workshop, Grand Victorian Assisted Living Community, Washington, IL
- 2001 - 2010
Conduct an Annual 4 Week Summer Stone Carving Workshop, Roanoke Art League, Roanoke, Illinois
- 2002 Workshop in Portfolio and Slide Photography, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
- 1999 Workshop in Slide Photography, East Carolina University, Greenville, NC
- 1998 Workshop in ARC Welding, East Carolina University, Greenville, NC

- Workshop in MIG Welding, East Carolina University, Greenville, NC
 1996 Workshop in ARC Welding, University of North Carolina at Asheville

Awards and Honorariums

- 2014 Best in Show – Wood, Art on Main Fine Arts Festival, Canton, IL
 2013 Best in Show – Wood, Art on Main Fine Arts Festival, Canton, IL
 2012 Best in Show, Gazebo Art Fair, Macomb, IL
 2011 Honorable Mention, Illinois State Fair Professional Art Exhibition, Springfield, IL
 2010 2nd Place, Luthy Botanical Gardens Fine Art Show, Peoria, IL
 2009 1st Place, Luthy Botanical Gardens Fine Art Show, Peoria, IL
 2008 Semester Sabbatical Leave, Illinois Central College
 1st Place, Luthy Botanical Gardens Fine Art Show, Peoria, IL
 2007 National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development Excellence Award,
 The University of Texas at Austin
 1st Place, Luthy Botanical Gardens Fine Art Show, Peoria, IL
 Faculty Who Make a Difference, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
 2006 Thomas K. Thomas Endowed Teaching Chair Award, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
 1st Place, Luthy Botanical Gardens Fine Art Show, Peoria, IL
 2004 1st Place, Luthy Botanical Gardens Fine Art Show, Peoria, IL
 1st Place Cube Fest 2004, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
 2003 1st Place, Luthy Botanical Gardens Fine Art Show, Peoria, IL
 Featured Artist, 36th Annual Roanoke Art Show, Roanoke Art Depot, Roanoke, IL
 2nd Place Chair Fair 2003, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
 2002 1st Place Chair Fair 2002, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
 2nd Place, Princeville Heritage Days Fine Art Show, Princeville, IL
 1999 Honorarium: Salmagundi III, Rocky Mount Fine Arts Center, Rocky Mount, NC
 Taeylor Art Supply Award, East Carolina University, Greenville, NC
 1998 Taeylor Art Supply Award, East Carolina University, Greenville, NC
 1997 3rd Place, 4th Annual Area Fine Artists Juried Competition, Rocky Mount Fine Arts Center,
 Rocky Mount, NC
 1995 Promising Artist Award, National Society of Arts and Letters/Washington Chapter Award,
 Washington, D.C.
 1994 Purchase Award, Biltmore Dairy Farms, Biltmore, NC

Solo Exhibitions

- 2013 June Featured Artist, The Atelier, Peoria, IL
 2006 Directions - Work by Jennifer Costa, Gallery 305A, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
 New Work by Jennifer Costa, Art Institutes International, Minneapolis, MN
 Work by Jennifer Costa, Austin Peay State University, Clarksville, TN
 2005 Giles Gallery, Eastern Kentucky University, Richmond, KY
 Triangle Gallery, Sinclair Community College, Dayton, OH
 2003 Jennifer Costa: Functional Compositions, Contemporary Art Center, Peoria, IL
 2001 Jennifer Costa-Functional Sculpture, Gallery 305A, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
 1999 The Gun Show, Part II, Durham Art Guild, Durham, NC
 1996 Jennifer Costa: Exterior Distress Interior Solace, Owen Gallery,

Two-Person Exhibitions

- 2012 Jennifer Costa & Jacob Grant, Gallery 305A, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
2010 Jennifer Costa & Steve Amos, Quad City International Airport Gallery, Moline, IL
2009 Jennifer Costa & Jeffrey Goard, VagnHall Galleri, Prairie Arts Center, Bishop Hill, IL
Jennifer Costa & Fred Hentchel “*On the Wall*”, Performing Arts Center Gallery,
Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
1999 Art Deco in Asheville Continuing the Tradition, New Furniture Design: Jennifer Costa
and Barry Tribble, Art International Asheville, Asheville, NC
Jennifer Costa and Ryan Griffis Thesis Exhibition, Cruz Gallery, Tarboro, NC
1996 Jennifer Costa Functional Sculpture and Juliana Foster Photographs, The Asheville
Arts Alliance, Asheville, NC
1995 The National Society of Arts and Letters Award Winners, The Hand Chapel, Washington, D.C.

Group and Juried Exhibitions

- 2015 *Fresh*, Blink Gallery, Michigan City, Indiana
CIAO 1st Fridays at The Atelier, The Atelier, Peoria, IL
47th Annual Faculty Art Exhibition, Gallery 305A, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
2014 *What in the Warehouse? The Artists of the Atelier*, Peoria Public Library, Peoria, IL
Art on Main Fine Arts Festival, Canton, IL
Converging, Speakeasy Art Center, Pekin, IL
CIAO 1st Fridays at The Atelier, The Atelier, Peoria, IL
46th Annual Faculty Art Exhibition, Gallery 305A, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
30th Annual Fine Arts Exhibit, First United Methodist Church, Peoria, IL
2013 Sparks, Warehouse Gallery 1, Prairie Center of the Arts, Peoria, IL
Gazebo Art Fair, Macomb, IL
CIAO 1st Fridays at The Atelier, The Atelier, Peoria, IL
29th Annual Fine Arts Exhibit, First United Methodist Church, Peoria, IL
45th Annual Faculty Art Exhibition, Gallery 305A, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
Luthy Botanical Gardens Fine Art Show, Peoria, IL
Clay & Fiber, Prairie Arts Center, Bishop Hill, IL
Art on Main Fine Arts Festival, Canton, IL
Art on the Promenade, East Peoria, IL
2012 44th Annual Faculty Art Exhibition, Gallery 305A, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
1st Fridays at The Mill, The Mill, Peoria, IL
Community College Faculty Invitational, Western Illinois University, Macomb, IL
Woodworkers of Central Illinois, VagnHall Galleri, Prairie Arts Center, Bishop Hill, IL
Clay & Fiber Exhibition, VagnHall Galleri, Prairie Arts Center, Bishop Hill, IL
Vernissage, Central Illinois Artist’s Organization, Prairie Center of the Arts, Peoria, IL
Gazebo Art Fair, Macomb, IL
2011 1st Fridays at The Mill, The Mill, Peoria, IL
27th Fine Arts Exhibit, First United Methodist Church, Peoria, IL
Luthy Botanical Gardens Fine Art Show, Peoria, IL
43rd Annual Faculty Art Exhibition, Gallery 305A, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
Clay & Fiber Exhibition, VagnHall Galleri, Prairie Arts Center, Bishop Hill, IL

- 4th Annual Washington Art Festival, Washington Park, Washington, IL
 Illinois State Fair Professional Art Exhibition, Springfield, IL
 5th Annual Scholarship Art Exhibition, Performing Arts Center Gallery, Illinois Central College,
 East Peoria, IL
- 2010 4th Annual Scholarship Art Exhibition, Performing Arts Center Gallery, Illinois Central College,
 East Peoria, IL
 Copper River Art Exhibition, Peoria, IL
 26th Fine Arts Exhibit, First United Methodist Church, Peoria, IL
 Luthy Botanical Gardens Fine Art Show, Peoria, IL
 The Porcelain Exhibition, VagnHall Galleri, Prairie Arts Center, Bishop Hill, IL
 Faculty Art Exhibition, Gallery 305A, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
 Clay & Fiber Exhibition, VagnHall Galleri, Prairie Arts Center, Bishop Hill, IL
- 2009 Clay & Fiber Exhibition, VagnHall Galleri, Prairie Arts Center, Bishop Hill, IL
 Faculty Art Exhibition, Gallery 305A, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
 Phase VII, 4Art Inc., Chicago, IL
 Junction City Art Fair, Peoria, IL
 3rd Annual Art for AIDS Exhibition, Performing Arts Center Gallery, Illinois Central College,
 East Peoria, IL
 Luthy Botanical Gardens Fine Art Show, Peoria, IL
 Satellite City Transmissions, Gallery 305A, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
 Satellite City Transmissions, Western Illinois University, IL
- 2008 2nd Annual Art for AIDS Exhibition, Performing Arts Center Gallery, Illinois Central College,
 East Peoria, IL
 24th Fine Arts Exhibit, First United Methodist Church, Peoria, IL
 Satellite City Transmissions, ARC Gallery, Chicago, IL
 Art for AIDS Exhibition, Performing Arts Center Gallery, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
 8x8 Exhibition, Peoria Art Guild, Peoria, IL
 Phase VI, 4Art Inc., Chicago, IL
 Luthy Botanical Gardens Fine Art Show, Peoria, IL
 Clay & Fiber Exhibition, VagnHall Galleri, Prairie Arts Center, Bishop Hill, IL
 Satellite City Transmissions, Fine Line Creative Art Center Gallery, St. Charles, IL
 Faculty Art Exhibition, Gallery 305A, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
 Satellite City Transmissions, Contemporary Art Center, Peoria, IL
 The Botanical Fine Art Exhibition, VagnHall Galleri, Prairie Arts Center, Bishop Hill, IL
- 2007 Art for AIDS Exhibition, Performing Arts Center Gallery, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
 Satellite City Transmissions, Studio 222 Gallery, Bloomington, IL
 Prairie Arts Center Exhibition, Bishop Hill, IL
 23rd Fine Arts Exhibit, First United Methodist Church, Peoria, IL
 Faculty Art Exhibition, Gallery 305A, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
 Luthy Botanical Gardens Fine Art Show, Peoria, IL
- 2006 Studio Furniture Exhibition, Indianapolis Art Center, Indianapolis, IN
 Phase III, 4Art Inc., Chicago, IL
 Faculty Art Exhibition, Gallery 305A, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
 Luthy Botanical Gardens Fine Art Show, Peoria, IL
- 2005 Faculty Art Exhibition, Gallery 305A, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
 Cube Fest, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL

- 38th Annual Roanoke Art Show, Roanoke Art Depot, Roanoke, IL
Annual Alumni Exhibition, Highsmith University Union Gallery, UNC - Asheville
- 2004 Eureka Lilac Festival and Fine Arts Faire, Eureka, IL
37th Annual Roanoke Art Show, Roanoke Art Depot, Roanoke, IL
Cube Fest, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
Faculty Art Exhibition, Gallery 305A, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
Luthy Botanical Gardens Fine Art Show, Peoria, IL
Illinois Art League Fine Arts Festival, Peoria, IL
- 2003 5th Biennial Regional Crafts Exhibition, John A. Logan College Museum, Carterville, IL
36th Annual Roanoke Art Show, Roanoke Art Depot, Roanoke, IL
Luthy Botanical Gardens Fine Art Show, Peoria, IL
Illinois Art League Fine Arts Festival, Peoria, IL
Chair Fair, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
Faculty Art Exhibition, Gallery 305A, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
Annual Alumni Exhibition, Owen Gallery, University of North Carolina at Asheville
- 2002 American Palette of Color, 35th Annual Roanoke Art Show, Roanoke Art Depot, Roanoke, IL
Annual Alumni Exhibition, Owen Gallery, University of North Carolina at Asheville
Uplands Art Show/Festival, Uplands Neighborhood Association, Bradley Park, Peoria, IL
Tri-State Sculptors Suitcase Exchange Show, Traveling Show - United States and overseas
Princeville Heritage Days Fine Art Show, Princeville, IL
Illinois Art League Fine Arts Festival, Peoria, IL
Chair Fair, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
Faculty Art Exhibition, Gallery 305A, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
Streetscapes – The 4th Annual Sculpture Exhibit, Waynesville, NC
Lifeline - Women in Art, The Community Council for the Arts, Kinston, NC
7th Annual Artist Self-Portrait, Glenn Eure's Ghost Fleet Gallery, Nags Head, NC
The Dishman Competition, Dishman Art Gallery, Lamar University, Beaumont, TX
21st Annual Competitive Exhibition, The Community Council for the Arts, Kinston, NC
Hand Crafted 2002: A Juried Exhibition of Ceramics, Fiber, Glass, Metal, Wood.
Rocky Mount Fine Arts Center, Rocky Mount, NC
Inspired in Illinois, Lakeview Museum, Peoria, IL
- 2001 Push the Envelope II, Kansas City Artists Coalition, Kansas City, MO
Icarus International 2001, Glenn Eure's Ghost Fleet Gallery, Hags Head, NC
Woodworking Challenge – Box Building, Woodworkers Shop, Pekin, IL
Annual Alumni Exhibition, Owen Gallery, University of North Carolina at Asheville
35th Annual Roanoke Art Show, Roanoke Depot, Roanoke, IL
39th Annual Peoria Art Guild Fine Art Fair, Peoria, IL
44th Annual National Juried Art Exhibition, Rocky Mount Arts Center, Rocky Mount, NC
Faculty Art Exhibition, Gallery 305A, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
Streetscapes – The 3rd Annual Sculpture Exhibit, Waynesville, NC
Visionary Artist Exhibit, The Community Council for the Arts, Kinston, NC
- 2000 Icarus International 2000, Glenn Eure's Ghost Fleet Gallery, Nags Head, NC
Annual Alumni Exhibition, Owen Gallery, University of North Carolina at Asheville
Eighth International Miniature Art Show, Seaside Art Gallery, Nags Head, NC
25th Annual Art Exhibition, Coastal Carolina Community College, Jacksonville, NC
Fifth Annual Artist's Self Portrait Competition and Exhibition, Glenn Eure's Ghost
Fleet Gallery, Nags Head, NC

- 21st Annual National Juried Fine Arts Exhibition, Community Art Council, Goldsboro, NC
The Artists of Greenville, Fayetteville Museum of Art, Fayetteville, NC
- 1999 Icarus International '99, Glenn Eure's Ghost Fleet Gallery, Nags Head, NC
Hand Crafted: A Juried Exhibition of Ceramics, Fiber, Glass, Metal, and Wood.
Rocky Mount Fine Arts Center, Rocky Mount, NC
Annual Art Ball, Greenville Museum of Art, Greenville, NC
Annual Alumni Exhibition, Owen Gallery, University of North Carolina at Asheville
American Kaleidoscope, Kreuzherrenkloster Estate, Erkelenz, Germany
The 1999 Bank of the Arts Show, Craven County Art Guild, New Bern, NC
Stretch – ECU MFA Graduate Exhibition, Chowan Arts Council Gallery, Edenton, NC
CCA Competitive Exhibition '99, The Community Council for the Arts, Kinston, NC
Salmagundi III, Rocky Mount Fine Arts Center, Rocky Mount, NC
- 1998 Icarus International '98, Glenn Eure's Ghost Fleet Gallery, Nags Head, NC
The New Show, Gray Gallery, East Carolina University, Greenville, NC
Annual Alumni Exhibition, Owen Hall, University of North Carolina at Asheville
5th Annual Area Artists Juried Competition, Rocky Mount Fine Arts Center, Rocky Mount, NC
Sculpture Student Exhibition, Burroughs Wellcome Senior Gallery, East Carolina University,
Greenville, NC
Art Works: An Exhibit of Functional Art, Chowan Arts Council Gallery, Edenton, NC
19th Annual National Juried Fine Arts Exhibition, Community Art Council, Goldsboro, NC
CCA Competitive Exhibition, The Community Council for the Arts, Kinston, NC
Sculpture Show, Joyner Library, East Carolina University, Greenville, NC
- 1997 4th Annual Area Fine Artists Juried Competition, Rocky Mount Fine Arts Center, Rocky Mount, NC
Icarus International '97, Glenn Eure's Ghost Fleet Gallery, Nags Head, NC
ECU Graduate Sculpture Students Exhibition, Kinston Fine Arts Center, Kinston, NC
ECU Graduate Student Show, Gray Gallery, East Carolina University, Greenville, NC
- 1996 North Carolina Student Juried Show, McIver Gallery, UNC - Greensboro
Dimensions in Sculpture, Gallery #7, Brevard, NC
The Cathedral of All Souls Centennial Art Exhibit, Cathedral of All Souls, Biltmore, NC
11th Annual Sculpture Celebration, Lenoir, NC
Window on the Arts, Asheville, NC
Annual Juried Student Show, Owen Gallery, University of North Carolina at Asheville
University of North Carolina at Asheville Student Show, Asheville Gallery of Art, Asheville, NC
- 1995 Annual Juried Student Show, Owen Gallery, University of North Carolina at Asheville
National Society of Arts and Letters Juried Sculpture Show, Watkins Gallery, Washington, DC
- 1994 Biltmore Dairy Farms Fine Arts Show, Biltmore, NC
Annual Juried Student Show, Owen Gallery, University of North Carolina at Asheville

Gallery Affiliations

VagnHall Galleri, Prairie Arts Center, Bishop Hill, IL

Commissions

- 2013 Side Table, Mark & Lori Jackson, Peoria, IL
2012 Table, Tony & Monica LeBron, East Peoria, IL

- Table, Mark & Lori Jackson, Peoria, IL
- 2011 Table, Mark & Lori Jackson, Peoria, IL
Convertible Crib/Bed, Lily Machado, Rio Rico, AZ
- 2010 2 vent covers, Peggy Miller, Peoria, IL
- 2008 5 vent covers, Patric McCoy, Chicago, IL
Large Display Cabinet, Margaret Baker, Germantown, IL
- 2007 Bronze Celtic Cross, Clarence L. Maher, Oklahoma
- 2004 Wall Mirror, Margaret Baker, Germantown, Illinois
- 2003 Large Walnut Cabinet, Jeffrey and Joy Hoover, Washington, IL
Vanity, Janet Guiliano, Peoria, IL
- 2002 Jewelry Box – Doug Granstaff, Peoria, IL
Table - Angie Nelis, Indianapolis, IN
Ceremonial Mace, University of North Carolina at Asheville
Table -Jennifer Wike, Houston, TX
2 Bronze Celtic Crosses - Bill Maher, Washington, IL
- 2001 Ceremonial Mace, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
- 2000 Sculpture - Karen Vail-Smith, Greenville, NC
- 1999 Table - Gary Weathersbee, Greenville, NC
- 1998 Art Deco Steel Railing - Art International Asheville, Asheville, NC
- 1994 Painting - Noreen Smith, Hendersonville, NC

Publications

- 2011 *Tables, Lark Studio Series*, Lark Books, October 2011
- 2009 *500 Tables: Inspiring Interpretations of Function and Style*, Lark Books, May 2009

Bibliography

- 2012 WVIK 90.3 FM *Art Talks*, 1 hour interview for *Art Talks*, Augustana College, Rock Island, IL
- 2010 “Artists ‘Think’ in Metal”, *Welding Journal American Welding Society*, July 2010
“From Timber to Tabletop”, *Art & Society Magazine*, Peoria, IL Jan. 2010
- 2002 Palette of Color to Grace Depot Walls This Weekend, *Woodford County Journal*,
Thursday, September 26, 2002, Roanoke, IL
Out of the Drawer: *ICC Journal of the Arts*, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
- 2001 Faculty Attempt to Prove They’re Fit to Teach, *The Harbinger* Vol. 34, Issue 12,
May 3, 2001, Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
Artist Displays Practical Art, *The Harbinger* Vol. 34, Issue 10, March 29, 2001,
Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
- 2000 The Artists of Greenville Exhibit Will Interest and Inspire, *Up & Coming Magazine*
Vol. 9, Issue 3, February 2000, Fayetteville, NC
The History of Art International and It’s Future Plans For Year 2000, *Rapid River*
Vol.3, Issue 4, February 2000, Asheville, NC
- 1999 Art Deco, *Appleton Wire Division In-Formation* Vol. 14, Issue 09, September 1999,
Appleton, WI
Continuing the Tradition, *Rapid River* Vol. 2, Issue 11, August 1999, Asheville, NC
“Art Nouveau,” Constance E. Richards, *Rapid River*, Vol. 2, Issue 6, March 1999,
Asheville, NC
- 1998 Sculpture by the Bookshelves by Caroline Kalfas, *East Magazine*, August 20 1998,
Greenville, NC

Professional Affiliations

American Craft Council
The Furniture Society
American Association of Woodturners