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**Education:**

1998 Master of Fine Arts – Bowling Green State University  
Bowling Green, OH. 43403

1995 Bachelor of Fine Arts – University of Saint Francis  
2701 Spring St.  
Fort Wayne, IN. 46809

Date of Birth: 12-16-63 Bronx, N.Y.

**Occupation:**

Presently I am an Associate Professor at the School of Creative Arts, University of Saint Francis in Ft. Wayne. Since 1998 I have been instructing courses in Two Dimensional Design, Three dimensional design, Sculpture, Advanced Sculpture, Drawing, and Advanced Drawing, as well as working with Graduate students. I also run a club called Student Art League and am a co-chair Mother-lode which supports the exhibition of women's arts. I have introduced to our school green sand aluminum casting, bronze casting, and Stone sculpting.

**Workshops-instructed:**

2009-13 – Sand casting Aluminum invitational workshop  
2006 - Co-taught Bronze casting workshop at the School of Creative Arts at University of Saint Francis.

**Residency attended:**

2014 – Philadelphia Sculpture Gym 1864 Frankford ave. Philadelphia - 12 week residency to work on Sabbatical

2008 - Sodus Art Bank Residency. 27 East Main Street, Sodus, NY. 14551.  
5 day Metal casting intensive

**Workshops/ Conferences -attended:**

2013 -Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts- 5 week - Anatomical drawing of the human figure  
5week Portrait sculpting

2011 - Iron casting workshop. Sculpture Trails, 6764 North Tree Farm Road, Solsberry,  
IN 47459

- Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts- 2 day Figure Sculpting in terracotta workshop.  
Philadelphia, PA. with Colleen O'Donnell.

- 2011 - Iron casting workshop. Sculpture Trails, 6764 North Tree Farm Road, Solsberry, IN 47459
  - PA Academi of Fine Arts- 2 day Figure Sculpting in terracotta workshop. Philadelphia, PA. with Colleen O'Donnell.
- 2008 - Attended 2008 Mid-America College Art Association ([MACAA](#)) Biennial Conference Herron School of Art & Design Indianapolis, Indiana
- 2005 - "Ceramic Mold & Bronze Casting" at Arrowmont school of Arts and Crafts.
- 2004 - "Basic Blacksmithing" Peter's Valley Craft education center, 19 Kun rd. Layton, New Jersey 07851, (973) 948-5200
- 2003 - "Aluminum Casting" at Flatlander's Sculpture studio, Blissfield MI.
- 2002 - "Marble Carving Workshop in Carrara, Italy with Pazzi DePueter May 12<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup>

### **Grants:**

- 2006 - Wingate Charitable Foundation, Inc., P.O. Box 826, Siloam Springs, AR 72761. Awarded \$46,000 for equipment & materials for Bronze casting Foundry for School of Creative Arts at University of Saint Francis.
- 2002- University of Saint Francis Scholarly development grant for - "Marble Carving Workshop in Carrara, Italy.

### **Exhibitions:**

- 2013
  - "Piecemeal Invitational Exhibition" at Wunderkammer gallery, Ft. Wayne, IN.
  - Artlink gallery "Faculty/Alumni show" Ft. Wayne, IN.
  - "Hot n' Steamy" 4 person show at the Artworks Galleria at Jefferson Point. Ft. Wayne, IN.
  - 2 Year outdoor sculpture exhibition at Sculpture Trails Sculpture Park, Bloomington IN.
- 2012
  - Faculty & Alumni exhibition at the Weatherhead gallery.
  - Emporium Gallery, Knoxville, TN. Group show in the Balcony gallery.
  - Slow Art Productions "Surreal Visions" 123 Warren Street, Hudson, NY 12534  
[TheLimner@aol.com](mailto:TheLimner@aol.com)
  - Garrett Museum's Annual Artist show, 100 South Randolph Street, Garrett, IN 46738(260) 357-4917
  - "Figured Out" 4 person show at Garrett Museum of Art. 100 South Randolph Street, Garrett, IN 46738. (260) 357-491710.
- 2011
  - Slow Art Productions "Surreal Visions" 123 Warren Street, Hudson, NY 12534  
[TheLimner@aol.com](mailto:TheLimner@aol.com)
  - Upstream People Gallery, 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Collage, Digital & Mixed Media Juried Online International Art Exhibition.
  - Rivers invitational exhibition, Weatherhead gallery, at School of Creative Arts, University of St. Francis. \
  - Artlink galleries members show. Ft. Wayne, IN. 46802.
  - Sculpture Trails Sculpture Park, Outdoor Sculpture exhibit. 6764 N. Tree Farm Road Solsberry, IN 47459 (812) 876-1299.
  - "FEMINUS" at Artlink Gallery, Ft. Wayne, IN. 46802.
  - Garrett Museum's Annual Artist show, 100 South Randolph Street, Garrett, IN 46738(260) 357-4917
  - "Figured Out" 4 person show at Garrett Museum of Art. 100 South Randolph Street, Garrett, IN 46738. (260) 357-4917
  - Exhibit work during the 2011 AVA awards Artlink Gallery, Ft. Wayne, IN. 46802.

- “Women’s Works 2011” Old court house Gallery, Woodstock, IL. (815) 338-4525
- 2010 - 3-Rivers invitational exhibition, Weatherhead gallery, at School of Creative Arts, University of St. Francis. \
- Artlink galleries members show
- 2009 - Weatherhead Gallery, Faculty & Alumni exhibition at School of Creative Arts, University of St. Francis.
- “Big Ideas in Small packages” Krull gallery at the ALPC, Fort Wayne, IN.
  - “Member’s Show” Artlink Gallery, Fort Wayne, IN.
  - “SOCA Faculty Art” exhibition at the Arena theater, 719 Rockhill st. Fort Wayne, IN.
- 2008 - Artlink Galleries “Member’s Show” Ft. Wayne, IN. 46802.
- Weatherhead Gallery, Faculty & Alumni exhibition at School of Creative Arts, University of St. Francis.
  - “10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Best of the Best Online International Art Exhibition” Upstream People Gallery, 5607 Howard st., Omaha, NE. 68106.
- 2007 - “9<sup>th</sup> Annual Landscape International Online Juried Art Exhibition” Upstream People Gallery, 5607 Howard st., Omaha, NE. 68106.
- Arena Dinner Theatre Inc. Gallery show. 719 Rockhill st. Ft. Wayne, IN. (260) 424-5622.
  - Allen County Public Library’s “Regional Artists Exhibition” Wayne st. Ft. Wayne, IN. 46802. (260) 421-1200.
  - “Stacked” artwork influenced by writing material. National Juried Exhibition. Jeffery R. Krull Gallery, Fort Wayne, IN.
  - Faculty & Alumni Exhibition – Weather head Gallery, School of Creative Arts. Fort Wayne, IN.
  - Artlink Galleries “Member’s Show” Ft. Wayne, IN. 46802.
- 2006 –Weatherhead Gallery, Faculty & Alumni exhibition at School of Creative Arts, University of St. Francis.
- Highlights Gallery – Bronze Sculpture exhibition at the School of Creative Arts, University of St. Francis.
  - ArtLink gallery “USF & IPFW Faculty exhibition.
  - Fort Wayne Museum of Art’s “Thinking in 3-D”; Exhibited a Bronze Sculpture and display board demonstrating the lost wax process of casting bronze.
  - Art Link’s galleries “Feminine Documentation” exhibition.
- 2005 –National:
- “Carved in Stone” juried exhibition at the John Waldron Arts Center in conjunction with the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Indiana Limestone Sculpture Symposium. Presented by the Bloomington Area Arts Council. Miah Michaelisen, BAAC Gallery Director (812) 334-3100 ext.111
  - “Spirituality and Religion in a Modern World” National juried Exhibition. Union Street Gallery, 1655 Union St. Chicago Heights, IL.
- Regional:
- “Women’s Works” Northwest Area Arts Council’s 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Juried Regional exhibition of Fine Art. Old Court House, Woodstock, IL.. Anne Lecuyer and Patricia Tanner Chairwomen.
  - “Wall to Wall” a survey of current Regional Sculpture –juried exhibition.

- Held at Flatlanders Gallery, 11993 E.US 223 Blissfield, MI. 49228  
 "Whispers to Shouts" Indiana State Museum invitational/Juried exhibition.  
 "Indiana Now" Biennial Juried exhibition of Contemporary Art. Held at the Art Museum of Greater Lafayette.  
 "Alumni/Faculty exhibition" 2005' at USF Weatherhead gallery.
- 2004- "Inner Anatomy" –the Skull. exhibition at Tip Top Tattoo's & Gallery. Ft. Wayne, IN. 46805  
 "Growing Up in Indiana" invitational exhibition. Art link gallery, Ft. Wayne, IN.46802  
 "3 person show" at the Raw Art Gallery, Detroit, M.I  
 "Blissfield Corridor" invitational Exhibition of outdoor sculpture. Blissfield, MI.  
 "Faculty & Alumni" exhibition at the Weatherhead Gallery, Ft. Wayne, IN. 46808  
 "Do it in Red" Mother-Lode exhibition of women's art. Avandt Guard Gallery, Ft. Wayne, IN 46802
- 2003 -"Three rivers Invitational" exhibition at the Weatherhead Gallery, Ft. Wayne, IN. 46808  
 "Faculty & Alumni" exhibition at the Weatherhead Gallery, Ft. Wayne, IN. 46808  
 "Mother-Lode" exhibition of women's art. 1911 Gallery, Ft. Wayne, IN 46802  
 "Inner Anatomy" exhibition at Tip Top Tattoo's & Gallery. Ft. Wayne, IN. 46805
- 2002 -"USF Faculty & Staff" exhibition at First Presbyterian Gallery, Ft. Wayne, IN. 46802  
 -"Big Drawings" exhibition at Art Link Gallery, Ft. Wayne, IN. 46802.
- 2001- USF and IPFW Faculty show  
 2001- University of St. Francis Faculty Show  
 1999-"Members Show" Artlink Gallery, Ft. Wayne, IN.  
 1998 - St. Francis College, *Abuse of Power*, One woman show. Ft. Wayne, IN  
 - *Biennial Invitational Exhibition*, Artlink Contemporary Gallery Ft. Wayne, IN.  
 - *Colleges and Universities of Ohio* Annual Exhibition, Toledo, OH.  
 - *8<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Exhibition*, Sculpture Center, Cleveland, OH.  
 - *Naming the Unseen Survivor's* Art Exhibition, OMSD Gallery, University of Toledo, OH.  
 - *MCO Spot Show* at the Mulford Library, Medical College of OH.
- 1997 - *Biennial Invitational Exhibition*, Artlink Contemporary Gallery.  
 - *Summer Show*, Spectrum Downtown Gallery, Toledo, OH.  
 - *Fall Show*, Spectrum Downtown Gallery, Toledo, OH.  
 - *Winter Show*, Spectrum Downtown Gallery, Toledo, OH.

### **Curated Shows:**

- 2010- "FEMINUS" Art link Gallery, Fort Wayne, IN. 46802  
 2008-09 "Big Ideas in Small Packages" Motherlode Group 2009 juried exhibition at the Jeffery R. Krull Gallery, Fort Wayne, IN.  
 2007 "Stacked" artwork influenced by writing material. National Juried Exhibition. Jeffery R. Krull Gallery, Fort Wayne, IN.  
 2005 "Corrugated Art" exhibition at the Kelly Gallery 214 Fulton st. Fort Wayne IN. 46802  
 2005 "Feminine Documentation" Art link Gallery, Fort Wayne, IN. 46802  
 2004 "Thick and Thin of it All" exhibition of the works of Sculptor Ken Thompson at the Weatherhead Gallery, Fort Wayne, IN..  
 2003 "Out of Context" Best of student work at the Art Exchange Gallery, 2966 Woodward ave.

Detroit MI (313) 831120

**Awards:**

- 2011 - “AVA award winner for Sculpture. –Artlink Gallery, Fort Wayne, IN
  - “Best of show” “Women’s Works 2011” Old court house Gallery, Woodstock, IL. (815) 338-4525
  - “Special Recognition” for work exhibited in 13th Annual Collage, Digital & Mixed Media Juried Online International Art Exhibition.
  - “People’s Choice Award”, Artlink Galleries Member’s show, Artlink Gallery, Fort Wayne, IN.
- 2009 – “Who’s Who Among Executives and Professionals” appointed as a biographical candidate to represent my industry (sculpture) and for inclusion into the upcoming 2008 – "Honors Edition".
- 2007 -Special Recognition for artwork in the "9th Annual Landscape International Juried Online Art Exhibition" hosted by [www.upstreampeoplegallery.com](http://www.upstreampeoplegallery.com).
- 2005 - Who’s who among America’s Teachers
- 2005- Purchase award for sculpture during “Women’s Works” exhibition at the Old Court House gallery in Woodstock, IL
- 2002 - Who’s who among America’s Teachers
- 2001 - Values in Action Award, University of St. Francis.
- 1998 - Governor’s of Ohio Award for Young Artists at Work Program, Arts Commission of Toledo- 1<sup>st</sup> place, Spectrum Galleries Spring Show.
- 1997 - Honorable Mention, Exhibition Salon de Refuse’s, Toledo, OH.

**Judging:**

- 2008- Scholastic Art Awards-Northeastern Region. 3-D Art section
- 2004- Scholastic Art Awards-Northeastern Region. Portfolio section.
  - Honey well Centers “9 county Art Show” 275 W. Market st., Wabash, IN.
- 2003 -Kappa, Kappa, Kappa Inc. High School Art show.
- 2002 - Scholastic Art Awards-Northeastern Region. Drawing section.
- 2001- Community Center Annual art show.
- 2000 - Community Center Annual art show.

**Memberships / Associations:**

ISC International Sculpture Center  
CSC Chicago Sculpture Center  
Art Deadlines; resource for artist opportunities.  
Artlink Contemporary Gallery, Ft. Wayne, IN.

**Commissioned Artwork:**

- Life size Abstract of Virgin Mary for Prayer Garden at the University of St. Francis
- Stainless Steel sculpture of the eternal flame for: St. Joseph's shrine and Prayer Garden, Paulding, OH. (419) 399-3101
- Painting Virgin Mary and baby Jesus (Donation) for: University of St. Francis

- Steel and Wire Sculpture of Elk (life size) for: Mr. & Mrs. Rohr, Fort Wayne, IN.
- Illustration for marketing an invention by Paul Stevens.
- #2 Paintings of Residences for Ron and Betty Torborg.
- Commission painting for Kathy Starr

**References / Contacts:**

- Fredrick Cartwright, Dean of the School of Creative Arts at the University of St. Francis, Fort Wayne, IN.  
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260) 399-7700 ext.8014.
- Cara Lee Wade Program director of Studio Art, School of Creative Arts at the School of Creative Arts at the University of Saint Francis, Fort Wayne, IN.  
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