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Education

2008 -2006 University of California, Santa Barbara
MFA in Studio Art

2006-2002 California State University, Fresno
B.A. in Art, summa cum laude,
Smittcamp Family Honors College (President's Scholar)

Administrative Positions

Aug 2017-Pres Chair, Department of Fine Arts, College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, Auburn University at Montgomery, Montgomery, AL.

Oct 2016-May 2017 Deputy Dean, College of Arts and Sciences, Auburn University at Montgomery, Montgomery, AL

Academic Positions

2016 – Pres Associate Professor in Photography, Department of Fine Arts, Auburn University at Montgomery, Montgomery, AL.

2011 – 2016 Assistant Professor in Photography, Department of Fine Arts, Auburn University at Montgomery, Montgomery, AL.

2008 - 2011 Visiting Lecturer in Photography, Ernest G. Welch School of Art and Design, Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA.

Solo Exhibition(s)

2022 *The Memory of a Place that Once Was*, The Durbin Gallery at Birmingham-Southern College, Birmingham, AL (November 4 - November 29).

Juried and Invitational Group Exhibitions

2025 *HOME: 46th Biennial Museum Exhibition* at the Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts, Montgomery, AL (June 27 – September 14).
Juror: Jade Powers, Hugh Kaul Curator of Contemporary Art, Birmingham Museum of Art, Birmingham, AL. A total of 445 pieces of artwork were submitted by 175 artists and 64 pieces of artwork were selected by the juror to exhibit (two of which were mine).

Montgomery Photo Festival, Stonehenge Gallery, Montgomery, AL (July 10 – August 28).

Juror: Kathleen Robbins, Professor of Studio Art at the School of Visual Art & Design at the University of South Carolina. 104

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photographers submitted 302 images and 65 pieces were chosen for display.

2024 *Montgomery Photo Festival*, Stonehenge Gallery, Montgomery, AL (July 10 – July 31).
Juror: Tom Rankin, Professor of the Practice of Art and Documentary Studies at Duke University. 2 of my works were accepted. There were 514 images submitted and 70 were accepted into the show – 13% success rate.

2022 *Negotiations: Portraits*, Georgine Clarke Alabama Artists Gallery, Montgomery, AL (November 1, 2022 – January 2, 2023).
Montgomery Photo Festival, The Kress Building, Montgomery, AL (August 13 – August 27).
Juror: Anna Walker Skillman of Jackson Fine Art, Atlanta, GA.

2021 *29th Annual Emerald Coast National Juried Fine Arts Exhibition*, Mattie Kelly Arts Center, Northwest Florida State College (August 27-October 29).
Juror: Polly Nordstrand, Curator of Southwest Art, Colorado Springs Fine Art Center at Colorado College
Collaborative work with Molly McLemore

2020 *Francis Thompson SELECTS*, Atlanta Photography Group, Atlanta, GA (October 17 – November 28).
Juror: Francis Thompson, Art Program Manager at JLL.

2019 *27th Annual Emerald Coast National Juried Fine Arts Exhibition*, Mattie Kelly Arts Center, Northwest Florida State College (Aug 17 - Sept 19).
Juror: Katie Pfohl, Curator of Modern and Contemporary Art at the New Orleans Museum of Art

2018 *26th Annual Emerald Coast National Juried Fine Arts Exhibition*, Mattie Kelly Arts Center, Northwest Florida State College (May 19 - June 22).
Juror: Dennis Harper, MFA, Curator of Collections and Exhibitions, Jule Collins Smith Museum of Fine Art
Collaborative work with Molly Freeman

2017 *Uncommon Territory: Contemporary Art in Alabama*, Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts, Montgomery, AL. Exhibition runs November 18, 2017 – January 21, 2018 (invited).
Collaborative work with Molly Freeman

2016 B16: Wiregrass Biennial, Wiregrass Museum of Art, Dothan, AL.
Collaborative work with Molly Freeman

2015 *6th Annual Environmental Photography Exhibition*, American Mountaineering Museum, Golden, CO.

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Light Sensitive 2015, Art Intersection, Gilbert, AZ.

2014 *B14 Wiregrass Biennial*, Wiregrass Museum of Art, Dothan, AL.
Double Exposure, Bama Theatre, The Arts Council, Tuscaloosa, AL.

2013 *The Airport Show*, Hartsfield-Jackson Airport, Atlanta Photography Group, Atlanta, GA.
Photography and Environmental Concern, PhotoPlace Gallery, Middlebury, VT.

2012 *Portfolio Show*, Atlanta Photography Group, Atlanta, GA.
Ones2Watch, ACP 2012 Photography Auction, King Plow Arts Center, Atlanta, GA (invited).
Personal Portraits, PhotoPlace Gallery, Middlebury, VT.
PHOTO ALCHEMY: Alternative Processes in Photographic Media, Pajaro Valley Gallery, Watsonville, CA.
The Hand-Made Photograph, Mills Pond House Gallery, Smithtown, NY.

2011 *Portfolio Show*, Atlanta Photography Group, Atlanta, GA.
Transferred: Alternative Processes in Photography, Target Gallery, Alexandria, VA.
“Lo-fi”ography, Gallery 360, Vancouver, WA.

2010 *Third Annual University of Mobile Art Exhibition*, University of Mobile, Mobile, AL.

2008 *EDGE*, Channing Peake Gallery, Santa Barbara, CA (invited).

Juror

2025 Baptist Communicators Association's 2024-2025 Annual Awards Photography Judge.

2022 *Elmore County Art Guild 37th Annual Winter Show* at Wetumpka Depot Players Theater, February 24 – March 11.

Museum Education Experience

2008 Public Art Project, Santa Barbara Museum of Art, Department of Museum Education
Artist and community based collaborative mural exhibited on façade of Santa Barbara Museum of Art.

Gallery Experience

2021- Pres Cason McDermott Art Gallery at Auburn University at Montgomery,
In Charge of Programming, Scheduling, and Preparation of Space
(Beginning June 2021)

Honor Society Membership

2021 Omicron Delta Kappa, Nominated and Initiated

Professional Service

2025 Visual Arts Project Review Panel, Alabama State Council on the Arts
(July). Visual Arts Program Manager: Amy Jenkins.

2022 Visual Arts Project Review Panel, Alabama State Council on the Arts
(September). Visual Arts Program Manager: Amy Jenkins.

Recent University, College, and Departmental Committee Service

2020-2021 Faculty Senator (October 2020 – May 2021), Temporary Replacement, Auburn University at Montgomery

2020, 2021 Committee Member, Political Science and Public Administration - Khaled Chair Search, Auburn University at Montgomery

2020 Chair, Full-time Lecturer in Sculpture and Spatial Studies Search Committee, Department of Fine Arts, Auburn University at Montgomery

2019 Chair, Visiting Lecturer in Sculpture and Spatial Studies Search Committee, Department of Fine Arts, Auburn University at Montgomery

2019 Chair, Assistant Professor in Animation Search Committee, Department of Fine Arts, Auburn University at Montgomery

2019 Committee Member, University Website RFP Review, Auburn University at Montgomery

2018 Chair, Website Committee (Current Student Focus)
Coordinated final report from the committee, assigned meeting times, directed focus groups

2018 Chair, Senior Program Associate Search Committee (Office of the Dean), College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, Auburn University at Montgomery

2018 Co-Chair, Assistant Professor in Graphic Design Search Committee, Department of Fine Arts, Auburn University at Montgomery

2013-2017 Co-Chair, AUM Connected: Common Reading Program, Auburn University at Montgomery
Responsible for design of the visual campaign promoting the annual book selection to the university and community including logos, posters, and vinyl wall graphics in addition to scheduling speakers associated with the book.

2013-2017 Committee Member, Southern Studies Conference (Formerly AUMLAC), Auburn University at Montgomery.
Fine Arts Representative responsible for arranging paper presentation panels involving the visual arts. I acted as a moderator for panels and invited Kathleen Robbins, professor of photography at the University of South Carolina, to be conference artist for 2016 event.

Faculty Advisor at AUM

2016 – 2021 Artist Response Team (formerly Student Art Association)

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Organized art related events for students, including field trips to Atlanta, Ga, New Orleans, LA, Nashville, TN and Savannah, GA.

Note: Beginning in Fall 2019, I became co-advisor of A.R.T.

Academic Service at AUM

2024	BFA with a concentration in Photography thesis exhibition, Cason McDermott Art Gallery (Student: Akeyah Henderson)
2023	BFA with a concentration in Photography thesis exhibition, Cason McDermott Art Gallery (Student: Grayson McDaniel)
2021	BFA with a concentration in Photography thesis exhibition, Cason McDermott Art Gallery (Student: Olivia Tippett)
2020	BFA with a concentration in Photography thesis exhibition, Goodwyn Hall Gallery (Students: Keanna Pelt and Perry A. Copeland)
2019	BFA with a concentration in Photography thesis exhibition, Goodwyn Hall Gallery (Student: Sarah Sterling)
2018	BFA with a concentration in Photography thesis exhibition, Goodwyn Hall Gallery (Student: Kayla Lee)
2017	BFA with a concentration in Photography thesis exhibition, Goodwyn Hall Gallery (Students: Kaylee Hobbs and Seth Scarborough)
2016	BFA with a concentration in Photography thesis exhibition, Goodwyn Hall Gallery (Students: Trevette Brown and Benjamin Koch)

Student Workshops

2025	Team-Taught Art workshop as part of STEAM camp for middle and high-school students in Montgomery, AL at Auburn University at Montgomery (funded via a grant received from Alabama State Department of Education), July 7 – July 25. Co-taught with Dr. Chelsea Ward. Worked camp from July 7 – July 18. Peer Mentors: Victoria Parrish, Aaralyn Kang and Madison Mills. Special Worker: Molly Trammell.
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Taught *Digital Photography* workshop for high school students at Auburn University at Montgomery (funded via a grant received from the Alabama State Council on the Arts), June 2 – 6.

2024	Team-Taught <i>Botany and Photography</i> workshop for high school students at Auburn University at Montgomery (funded via a grant received from the Alabama State Council on the Arts), July 22-26. Co-taught with Roger Birkhead.
2022	Assisted Jared Ragland with <i>Student Workshop for Public High School Students</i> (funded by grant received by Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts), June 6-10 and June 13-17 at Auburn University at Montgomery.

Grants

2025	\$50,000 ASAP grant award from the Alabama State Department of Education for <i>FY25 ASAP Grant Auburn University at Montgomery with MPS</i> . Project Co-Director with Dr. Chelsea Ward from July 7 – July 25.
	\$2100 grant award from the Alabama State Council on the Arts for <i>Visiting Artist Gallery Programming: Round 2</i> . Project director 01/01/25 – 09/30/25.

\$6700 grant award from the Alabama State Council on the Arts for *Free Summer Workshop Programming* at AUM. Project director 5/16/25 – 8/15/25.

2024 \$7100 grant award for *Free Summer Art Workshop Programming for High School Students* from the Alabama State Council on the Arts. Project director from 5/01/24 – 8/01/24.

2023 \$2400 grant award for *Contemporary Gallery Programming and Public Outreach* from the Alabama State Council on the Arts. Project director from 10/02/23 – 3/13/24.