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EDUCATION

Coursework, Art and Art History, University of Exeter, Exeter, 1975–1976

B.A., History, Literature and Art History, Colorado College, Colorado Springs, Colo., 1977

Graduate Studies, History, University of Colorado, Boulder, Colo., 1977–1978

Certificate, Botanical Art and Illustration, Denver Botanic Gardens, Denver, Colo., 1990–1992

CAREER

Founder and President, Best of Show Home Staging for Real Estate, Denver, Colo., 1987–1993

Art Workshop Instructor, ArtReach, Denver, Colo., 1994–2002

Art Coordinator and Consultant, Discovery Channel and HGTV, Denver, Colo., 1995–1998

Art Director, Alzheimer's Association Memories in the Making Art Program, Denver, Colo., 1998–2003

Instructor, Certificate Program for Botanical Art and Illustration, Denver Botanic Gardens, Denver, Colo., 1998–; Program Coordinator, 2006

Illustrator, Botanical Interests Seed Company, Broomfield, Colo., 1999–

Art Director, Beyond the Blackboard, Denver, Colo., 2006–2011

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Society of Botanical Artists, Board of Directors, 2006–2008

Colored Pencil Society of America

Guild of Natural Science Illustrators

Rocky Mountain Society of Botanical Artists, Executive Committee, 1997–2010

Studio Botanica, exhibit group of four botanical artists

ARTWORK MEDIA

Colored pencil, graphite, mixed media

ONE-PERSON EXHIBITION(S)

Ripe, Spark Gallery, Denver, Colo., 2005

Chlorophyll, Andrew J. Mackey Gallery, Boulder, Colo., 2006

Bloom, Spark Gallery, Denver, Colo., 2007

Favored Flavors: The Spice Side of Botany, Spark Gallery, Denver, Colo., 2008

Objects, Spark Gallery, Denver, Colo., 2009

Surface Tension, Spark Gallery, Denver, Colo., 2010

Five: A Sensory Garden, Spark Gallery, Denver, Colo., 2011

Canopy, Spark Gallery, Denver, Colo., 2012

GROUP EXHIBITION(S)

Art in Science/Science in Art, University of Colorado, Boulder juried exhibition, Boulder Public Library, Boulder, Colo.; Fiske Planetarium, Boulder, Colo., 2007

Studio Botanica, Arader Gallery, Denver, Colo., 2008

Eat Here Now!, 910 Arts Gallery, Denver, Colo., 2009

The Wild Bunch, Studio Botanica, Steamboat Art Museum, Steamboat Springs, Colo., 2009

Rare: Imperiled Plants of Colorado, Rocky Mountain Society of Botanical Artists and Colorado Rare Plant Initiative traveling exhibition, Denver Botanic Gardens, Denver, Colo., 2009; Steamboat Art Museum, Steamboat Springs, Colo., 2009; Center of Southwest Studies, Fort Lewis College, Durango, Colo., 2010; Business of Art Center, Manitou Springs, Colo., 2010 [Exhibition catalogue]

Botanica: New Works, Studio Botanica, Loveland Museum/Gallery, Loveland, Colo., 2010–2011

From Penstemons to Pines: Illustrating Rocky Mountain Natives, juried exhibit, Denver Botanic Gardens, Denver, Colo.; St. George Art Museum, Saint George, Utah, 2010 [Exhibition catalogue]

Wild Harvest: Ethnobotany Illustrated, Denver International Airport, Denver, Colo.; Front Range Community College, Denver, Colo., 2011

Contemporary Traditions: Botanical Art and Illustration, Juried Exhibit, Denver Botanic Gardens and Parker Arts and Culture Center, Colo., 2012

Focus on Nature XII, New York State Museum, Albany, N.Y., 2012 [Exhibition catalogue]

Explore This! 8, International Juried Online Exhibition, Colored Pencil Society of America, <http://www.cpsa.org/coloredpencilartists/ET8Show/index.htm>, 2012

Healing Plants, Parker Adventist Hospital Gallery, Parker, Colo., 2012

Perennial Art: Botanical Illustration, Mariani Gallery, University of Northern Colorado, Greeley, Colo., 2012

HONOR(S)/AWARD(S)

Derwent Fine Art Pencils Award for Excellence, *Explore This! 8*, 2012

COLLECTIONS

New York State Museum, Albany, N.Y., Focus on Nature
Collection

WORK REPRODUCED IN

- Carter, J. 1997. Trees and Shrubs of New Mexico. Boulder,
Colo.: Johnson Books. [Pp. 209, 420.]
- Denver Water. 1996. The Xeriscape Plant Guide. Golden,
Colo.: Fulcrum Publishing. [Pp. 80, 94, 98, 115, 119, 139,
141, 156, 168.]
- Johnson, D. and M. W. Persman. 2012. A Field Guide to
Rocky Mountain Wildflowers, Trees, and Shrubs.
Boulder, Colo.: Johnson Books. [P. 77.]
- Denver Botanic Gardens. 2010. From Penstemons to Pines:
Techniques Illustrating the Native Plants of the Rocky
Mountain Region. Denver Colo.: Denver Botanic
Gardens. [Exhibition catalogue; pp. 9, 16, 18–19, 23–24,
32, 41, 44, 70, 73.]
- Kelaidis, P. 2009. Flourish: A Visionary Garden in the
American West. Boulder, Colo.: Johnson Books. [P. 24.]
- Plant Select. 2008. Durable Plants for the Garden. Golden,
Colo.: Fulcrum Publishing. [Pp. 50, 161, 166.]

BIBLIOGRAPHY

- Marcus, C. B. and L. Kyer. 2008. Today's Botanical Artists.
Atglen, Pa.: Schiffer Publishing. [Exhibition catalogue; pp.
100–101.]
- Swan, A. 2010. Botanical Portraits in Colored Pencil.
Hauppauge, N.Y.: Barron's Educational Series. [P. 115.]

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Rustle (Ornamental grass, *Miscanthus sinensis*) [*Miscanthus
sinensis* Andersson, Poaceae] 2011
Colored pencil on mylar film, mounted on cradled
Ampersand Clayboard and varnished 25 × 17 cm
Hunt Institute collection, gift from the artist

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