

Education

2013	PAFA Master Class, <i>Vincent Desiderio</i> , Philadelphia, PA	Painting
2013	Rochester Art Centre, <i>Robert Liberace</i> , Rochester, NY	Painting
2013	Putney Center, <i>Qiang Huang</i> , Putney, Vermont	Painting
2012	Fine Arts Work Center, <i>Catherine Kehoe</i> , Provincetown, Mass.	Painting
2010	Transart Institute New Media, Danube University Krems, Austria	MFA and New Media
2008	Printmaking Atelier Circulaire, <i>Jean-Pierre Sauv�</i> , Montreal	Etching
2006	Drawn Home Workshop, <i>Meriel Hoare</i> , New-York	Mixed Media
2005	<i>Steve Assael</i> studio, New York- Montreal	Painting
2003	<i>Stuart Shils</i> Master Class, Vermont	Painting
2002	<i>Burt Siverman's</i> Studios, New York	Painting
2002	Universit� du Qu�bec, <i>Th�r�se St-Gelais</i> , Montreal	Art History
2001	New York Studio School, <i>Susanna Coffey</i> , New York	Painting
2000	Saidye Bronfman Centre for the Arts, <i>Irena Korosek</i> , Mtl	Painting
1999	Saidye Bronfman Centre for the Arts, <i>Peter Krausz</i> , Mtl	Secco technique
1999	Visual Arts Center, <i>John Drew Munro</i> , Montreal	Encaustic
1998	Saidye Bronfman Centre for the Arts, <i>Sophie Jodoin</i> , Mtl	Mixed media
1987	Universit� du Qu�bec, <i>Monique Charbonneau</i> , Montreal	Relief Printmaking
1985	Universit� du Qu�bec, <i>Monique Charbonneau</i> , Montreal	Relief Printmaking
1975-78	Sheridan College, Oakville, Ontario	Classical Animation
1974-75	Algonquin College, Ottawa, Ontario	Filmmaking

Exhibitions

2022	<i>XL</i> , Maison de la Culture du Plateau, Montr�al
2022	<i>Se Voisiner</i> , Produit Rien, Montr�al
2021	<i>Racines d'Argile</i> , Centre des Arts Visuels, Montr�al
2021	<i>160th Annual Open Exhibition</i> , Society of Women Artists, UK
2020	<i>Enduring Brilliance</i> , Pastel Society of America, Butler Institute of American Art, Ohio
2020	International Association of Pastel Societies 37 th Juried Online Exhibition
2020	<i>Enduring Brilliance</i> , Pastel Society of America, Butler Institute of American Art, Ohio
2019	<i>The Kingston Prize 2019</i> , Gananoque, ON
2019	<i>A Luminous Darkness</i> , Galerie 2112, Montr�al, QC (Solo)
2019	<i>Vert</i> , Galerie Liv'Art, Montr�al, QC
2019	<i>Enduring Brilliance</i> , Pastel Society of America (PSA), New York, NY
2018	<i>Figure & Space</i> , Galerie 2112, Montr�al, QC
2018	<i>IV Spain International Pastel Biennial</i> , Oviedo, Spain
2017	<i>Les Pastellistes</i> , Pastel Society of Eastern Canada (PSEC), Montreal
2017	<i>Enduring Brilliance</i> , Pastel Society of America (PSA), New York, NY
2017	<i>Pure Color</i> , Online International Juried exhibition. Pastel Society of North Carolina
2016	<i>Enduring Brilliance</i> , Pastel Society of America (PSA), New York, NY
2016	The IAPS Twenty-Eighth Juried Exhibition, Salmagundi Club, Manhattan, NY
2016	<i>Tribute to Mothers</i> , Connecticut Society of Portrait Artist, Greenwich Educational Center, CT
2016	<i>Enduring Brilliance</i> , Butler Institute of American Art, Youngstown, Ohio
2015	<i>Les Pastellistes</i> , Pastel Society of Eastern Canada (PSEC), Montreal
2015	<i>Enduring Brilliance</i> , Pastel Society of America (PSA), New York, NY
2014	<i>PAC 2nd Online Members Juried Exhibition</i> , Pastel Artists of Canada (PAC)
2014	<i>Renaissance in Pastel 2014</i> , The Connecticut Pastel Society, CT
2014	<i>Les Pastellistes</i> , Pastel Society of Eastern Canada (PSEC), Montreal
2013	<i>Women Painting Women</i> , Richard J Demato Fine Arts Gallery, Sag Harbor, NY
2013	<i>Women Painting Women</i> , Townsend Atelier, Chattanooga, TN
2013	<i>Homage Suzanne St-Michel</i> , Galerie Actart, Montreal
2012	<i>Not a Festival</i> , The Seascape Series, curated by Luis Malvacia, Copenhagen
2011	<i>Papiers 11</i> , Contemporary Art Fair of Works of Paper, Montreal
2010	<i>I Fall, I Flow, I Melt</i> , Video Art Show, New York
2010	<i>Crossing Boundaries</i> , Leslie-Lohman Gallery, New York
2010	<i>Pour l'art justement</i> , B-312 Gallery, Montreal
2010	<i>Images Festival</i> , Toronto, Ontario
2010	<i>Papiers 10</i> , Contemporary Art Fair of Works of Paper, Montreal
2010	<i>Trouvailles d'atelier</i> , Dominique Bouffard Gallery, Montreal
2009	<i>Rust Fest Digital Arts and New Media Festival</i> , McDonough Museum of Art, Ohio
2009	<i>Refresh</i> , Museo de Arte de Ponce in Plaza las Americas, San Juan, Puerto Rico
2009	<i>Bluebanana International Video Contest</i> , Landau, Germany
2009	<i>Transart</i> , Sideshow Gallery, Brooklyn, New York

2008	Edward Day Gallery, <i>The Virgin Mary Series</i> , Toronto (Solo)
2008	<i>Bestiaire</i> , Dominique Bouffard Gallery, Montreal
2008	<i>DUO</i> , Dominique Bouffard Gallery, Montreal
2008	<i>Pour l'art justement</i> , B-312 Gallery, Montreal
2007	Dominique Bouffard Gallery, <i>The Sea Inside</i> , Montreal (Solo)
2007	<i>Benefit auction of the Écomusée du Fier monde</i> , Montreal
2007	Société protectrice de l'Environnement Visuel des Villes inc, Public Art, Montreal
2007	<i>Résister – Succomber</i> , B-312 Gallery, Montreal
2007	<i>Papier</i> , Dominique Bouffard Gallery, Montreal
2006	Art Gallery L'union-Vie, Cultural Center, Drummondville (Solo)
2006	<i>Tableaux Divers</i> , Dominique Bouffard Gallery, Montréal
2006	Galerie Verticale Art Contemporain, Laval (Solo)
2006	<i>Selected Works</i> , Loto-Québec Collection, Charlevoix Museum
2006	<i>1st Drawing Biennale</i> , Mont-Saint-Hilaire Art Museum, Saint-Hilaire, QC
2006	<i>Pour l'art justement</i> , B-312 Gallery, Montreal
2006	Edward Day Gallery, Toronto
2005	St-Laurent + Hill Gallery, Ottawa (Solo)
2005	Centre Saint-Pierre, Montreal
2005	Loto Québec Gallery, Expo 2005 / Thomas More, Montreal
2005	Edward Day Gallery, Toronto (Solo)
2005	Galerie de l'association culturelle du Sud-Ouest, Montreal
2005	<i>Lire l'image</i> , B-312 Gallery, Montreal
2005	Georges Laoun, Montreal
2004	Sandra Goldie Gallery, Montreal
2004	Centre d'exposition des Gouverneurs de Sorel, QC (Solo)
2004	<i>Les Sans-Abris</i> , Art en Majuscules, Montreal
2004	Sandra Goldie Gallery, Montreal
2004	Maison de la Culture Frontenac, Montreal (Solo)
2004	<i>Visions Collectives</i> , McClure Gallery, Westmount
2004	Loto Québec Gallery, Expo 2004 / Thomas More, Montreal
2003	St-Laurent + Hill Gallery, Ottawa
2003	<i>L'art et vous</i> , Expo / Évènement DOXA, Montreal
2003	Sandra Goldie Gallery, Montreal
2002	International biennial of miniature art, Témiscamingue, QC
2002	<i>Visions collectives</i> , McClure Gallery, Westmount
2001	Sandra Goldie Gallery, Montreal
1996 / 1997	Oeuvres Vives Gallery, Montreal

Professional Experience

2017	<i>FigureWorks 2017</i> , Ottawa	Juror
2016	The Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts (PAFA)	Artist Talk (Philadelphia)
2016	Cégep Régional de Lanaudière, Joliette, QC	Art teacher
2016	Town of Mont-Royal Recreational Centre, QC	Art teacher
2015-2020	Visual Art Center, Westmount, QC	Art teacher
2015-2017	Dawson College, Montreal	Artist Talk
2015	Georges-Vanier Cultural Art Center, Montreal	Art teacher
2011-2020	Museum of Fine Arts, Montreal	Art teacher
2012-2013	Griffintown Art School, Montreal	Art teacher
2013	Université de Montréal (Architecture Faculty)	Art teacher
2011	Janro technologies, Mtl	Artistic Research using SANDDE technology
2005-2007	Saidye Bronfman Centre for the Arts, Mtl	Art teacher (Mixed Media)
2005	Radio-Canada Network - Providence	Commissioned artwork for TV series
2003	Saidye Bronfman Centre for the Arts, Mtl	Substitute art teacher
2002	Théâtre du Nouveau Monde- La nuit des rois	Drawing workshop for actors
1998-2000	IMAX Sandde Animation, Montreal	Co-Director / Story development
	<i>Cyberworld 3D</i> , IMAX Feature	Character Design / Animation
1997	Celluloid Studio, Denver, Colorado	Character Design
1997	CinéGroup Animation studio, Montreal	Artistic Direction / Storyboard
	Artistic Feature Film Direction	Character development
1996	IMAX Sandde Animation, Montreal	Artistic Direction / Storyboard
1996	M.T.V. Network, New York	Character Design
1996	Cinar, Montreal	Character Design
1996	Ink Tank, New York	Storyboard
1995	Canada Council for the Arts Grant	Painting

1994	CinéGroup Animation studio, Montreal	Posing
1993	Pascal Blais Productions, Montreal	Character Design / Storyboard
1992	Dawson College, Wesmount	Life drawing teacher
1992	CinéGroup Animation studio, Montreal	Character Design
1992	Les Productions Claude Savoie, Hull	Direction /Animation
1991	CinéGroup Animation studio, Montreal	Animation Supervisor
1989-1990	Graff Gallery, Montreal	Woodcut production
1988	Pascal Blais Productions, Montreal	Animation
1987	Contemporary Art Museum, Montreal	Visuals for Dulcinée Langfelder
1984-1986	National Film Board, Montreal	Animation / Scratch on film technique
1983	Les Éditions Héritage, Montreal	Illustration
1980-1982	Pils Film, Garche. France	Animation
1978-1979	Hanna Barbera Prod. Hollywood, California	Animation

Awards/Grants

2021	22 nd Annual Pastel 100 Competition, Pastel Journal	Honorable Mention
2021	Pastel Society of Eastern Canada, Annual Competition	6 th Place
2020	Enduring Brilliance, The Pastel Society of America (PSA), NY	H.Margulies Award of Excellence
2019	The Kingston Prize, Canada's Portrait Competition	The Kingston Prize Award
2019	Enduring Brilliance, The Pastel Society of America (PSA), NY	Lila Teich Gold Award
2018	Vermont Studio Center Residency, Johnson, Vermont	Merit Grant
2017	Enduring Brilliance, The Pastel Society of America (PSA), NY	Rembrandt Material Award
2017	The Pastel Society of Eastern Canada (PSEC), MTL	Fourth Prize
2017	Pure Color, Online International Juried Exhibition	Third Prize
2016	Conseil des Arts et des Lettres du Québec	Travel Grant
2016	International Association of Pastel Societies (IAPS), NY	First Prize - <i>Prix du Pastel</i>
2015	The Pastel Society of Eastern Canada (PSEC), MTL	First Prize - Grand Prix Horace Champagne
2015	Enduring Brilliance, The Pastel Society of America (PSA), NY	Silver Award
2014	The Pastel Society of Eastern Canada (PSEC), MTL	Third Prize
2014	The Pastel Artists of Canada (PAC)	Third Prize
2014	The Connecticut Pastel Society	CPS Membership Award
2008	The Elizabeth Greenshields Foundation	Grant/Painting
2004	The Canada Council for the Arts	Grant/Painting
1995	The Canada Council for the Arts	Research Painting/Grant
1985	Cultural Affairs	Grant/ Relief Printmaking
1978	Chicago International Film Festival	Second Prize/Animated film
1978	Toronto Industry Animation Award	Award of Excellence

Public Collections

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