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### **Education**

- 2013**                    **MFA**, Ceramics with Printmaking Related Area  
Edinboro University of Pennsylvania, Edinboro, PA  
Outstanding Graduate Student in Ceramics
- 2004**                    **BA**, History of Art & Architecture and Anthropology  
University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA  
Summa cum Laude

### **Residencies**

- 2021                    Studio Paducah, Paducah, KY
- 2015                    Northern State University, Aberdeen, SD
- 2014                    University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, ND
- 2013                    The Ceramics Center, Cedar Rapids, IA
- 2010 & 2011            Watershed Center for Ceramic Arts, Newcastle, ME
- 2008                    Artist's Enclave, I-Park, East Haddam, CT
- 2007                    Hungarian Multicultural Center, Budapest, Hungary

### **Solo Exhibitions**

- 2021                    ***Tranquil, Tenuous Vistas and Domiciles***  
McCarthy Gallery, Valley City State University, ND
- 2017                    ***Recontextualize***  
JFAC Gallery, Northern State University, SD
- 2015                    ***Current Works***  
Myers Gallery, University of North Dakota, ND
- 2014                    ***Ballast***  
Waldemar A. Schmidt Art Gallery, Wartburg College, IA
- Vestige and Fracture***  
MacNider Art Museum, Mason City, IA
- 2008                    ***Of Beasts and Fish Tales: New Paintings***  
Members' Gallery, The Art Center, Butler PA
- 2007                    ***Flypaper: New Paintings***

The Zenith, Pittsburgh, PA

### **Juried and Invitational Exhibitions**

- 2022                    **13th Annual 10x10x10 Tieton**  
Mighty Tieton Warehouse, Tieton, WA. (International)
- 2020                    **Visions in Clay**  
*2<sup>nd</sup> Place Award.*  
LH Horton Jr Gallery  
San Joaquin Delta College, Stockton, CA (National/Online)
- Ancient Alchemy**  
The Visual Art Center  
The Washington Pavilion, Sioux Falls, SD. (Invitational)
- Small Favors XV: Expanding the Field**  
The Clay Studio, Philadelphia, PA. (International)
- 2019                    **Part and Parcel.** NCECA Concurrent Exhibition  
Studio 394, Northrup King Building,  
Minneapolis, MN. (International)
- 8th South Dakota Governor's Biennial**  
(State Traveling Exhibit)  
South Dakota Museum of Art, Brookings, SD  
Dahl Art Center, Rapid City, SD  
John A. Day Gallery, University of South Dakota, Vermillion, SD  
Washington Pavilion, Sioux Falls, SD
- 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Salad Days Exhibit**  
Watershed Center for the Ceramic Arts, Newcastle, ME (Invitational)
- 2018                    **Beyond the Brickyard**  
North Gallery, Archie Bray Foundation, Helena, MT.  
(International)
- International Ceramics Triennial UNICUM 2018**  
*Recognition Award 2018 UNICUM*  
National Museum of Slovenia  
Ljubljana, Slovenija (International)
- Terra Nova : 10 years**  
Cedar Rapids Museum of Art, Cedar Rapids, IA. (Invitational)
- A Formed Community: Current Works of Past Resident Artists**  
ICCGS Gallery, Iowa Ceramic Center and Glass Studio  
Cedar Rapids, IA (Invitational)
- 2017                    **Kansas City Teabowl National**  
*Outside the Box Purchase Award*  
Bredin Lee Gallery, Kansas City, MO (National)

***Visions in Clay***

LH Horton Gallery, San Joaquin College, Stockton, CA  
(National)

***Empty Bowls 2017 Ceramic Show***

*3rd Place Award*

Wichita Falls Museum of Art at Midwestern State University,  
Wichita Falls, TX (National)

2016

***The Almighty Cup***

Gandee Gallery, Fabius, NY (National)

***7th Annual 10x10x10 Tieton***

Mighty Tieton Warehouse, Tieton, WA. (International)

***5th Central Time Ceramics***

Heuser Art Gallery, Bradley University, Peoria, IL (International)

***Mulvane Art Museum Juried Ceramics Exhibition***

Mulvane Art Museum, Washburn University  
Topeka, KS (Regional)

NCECA Concurrent Exhibition

***5th annual 12x12: A national exhibit of Small-scale works of Art***

Todd Art Gallery, Middle Tennessee State University  
Murfreesboro, TN (National)

2015

***Contents May Vary***

Pewabic Pottery, Detroit, MI. (International)

***6th Round 2015 ArtSlant Showcase Sculpture***

Online - [www.artslant.com](http://www.artslant.com)

***Watershed Center for Ceramics Arts***

*Celebrating Craftsmanship, Creativity & Community: Second Course*  
New Bedford Art Museum, New Bedford, MA (Invitational)

2014

***Beyond the Brickyard***

North Gallery, Archie Bray Foundation  
Helena, MT (International)

***Ways of Making: An Exploration Through Clay***

Cohen Gallery, GoggleWorks Art Center, Reading, PA (Invitational)

***4th Biennale Central Time Ceramics***

Heuser Art Gallery, Bradley University (International)

***Bizen-American Cultural Exchange Exhibition***

Bizenware Traditional Industry Hall Gallery  
Bizen, Japan (International)

***Iowa/Bizen Exchange***

The Ceramics Center, Cedar Rapids, IA (International)

2013

***Iowa Crafts 41***

*Best in Show Award*

MacNider Art Museum, Mason City, IA (Regional)

***Small Favors VIII***

Harrison Gallery, The Clay Studio

Philadelphia, PA (International)

***Presenters/Residents***

Marvin Cone and Eaton-Buchan Galleries, Coe College,  
Cedar Rapids, IA (Regional)

***Annual Student Juried Art Show***

*First Place Award*

Bruce Gallery, Edinboro University of PA, Edinboro, PA

2012

***Clemson Ceramics National***

Lee Gallery, Clemson University, Clemson, NC (National)

***So Tiny***

Baum Gallery, University of Central Arkansas,  
Conway, AR (National)

***Ninth Annual Marge Brown Kalodner***

***Graduate Student Show***

The Clay Studio, Philadelphia, PA (International)

***Utilitarian Studio Artists***

Dow Studio Gallery, Deer Isle, ME (National)

***Clay EVV***

Adams Street Gallery, Evansville, IN (National)

***Watershed Cup Show***

Fuel Coffee, NCECA Conference, Seattle, WA (International)

***Routes To Art Exhibition***

Quick Center for the Arts

St Bonaventure University, Allegany, NY (Regional)

***Salad Day Artists: Then and Now***

Farm House Gallery, Damriscotta, ME (National)

***89th Annual Spring Show***

Main Gallery, Erie Art Museum, Erie, PA (Regional)

***37th Annual October Evenings Juried Show***

Meadville Council on the Arts, Meadville, PA (Regional)

***Unwedged***

Pottery Northwest, Seattle, WA (International)

2011

**89th Annual Spring Show**

Main Gallery, Erie Art Museum, Erie, PA (Regional)

**Annual Student Juried Art Show**

Bruce Gallery, Edinboro University of PA, Edinboro, PA

**College Clay Collective**

Genesee Pottery, Rochester, NY (National)

**Skutt Kiln Peep Show**

*Third Place Award*

NCECA Conference, Exhibitors' Hall

Tampa Convention Center, Tampa, FL (International)

**Greens 'n' Grog: Past Watershed Residents**

NCECA Conference, Tampa Convention Center,

Tampa, FL (National)

**Routes to Art Exhibit**

Cattaraugus County Arts Council, Allegany, NY (Regional)

**Salad Days Invitational Pottery Sale**

Watershed Center for Ceramic Arts, Newcastle, ME (National)

**Routes to Art Exhibit**

Center Gallery, Jamestown Community College,

Olean, NY (Regional)

2010

**Salad Days Invitational Pottery Sale**

Watershed Center for Ceramic Arts, Newcastle, ME

**Fill-a-delphia**

Potters' Council Member Show, NCECA Concurrent Exhibit

A Show of Hands Gallery, Philadelphia, PA

**Illuminations**

18 Hands Gallery, Houston, TX (National)

2008

**AIR, International Artists Residencies**

**Budapest/Balatonfured/Csopak 2006-2007-2008**

Vizivarosi Gallery, Budapest, Hungary (International)

2007

**Works From the Residencies Budapest/Balatonfured/Csopak  
International Artist Residencies**

Balaton Szabadido es Konferencia Kospont,

Balatonfured, Hungary (International)

**Group Exhibitions**

2022

**VCSU Biennial Faculty & Staff Show**

Center for the Arts Gallery

Valley City State University, Valley City, ND

2021

***Reconnect Print Exchange***

Plains Art Museum, Fargo, ND.

2020

***Cascade Print Exchange***

Fairbanks Gallery, Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR

***One Woman One Vote***

Allen Memorial Library

Valley City State University, Valley City, ND.

2019

***Choose Your Fate***

Alley Bean Coffeeshop, Valley City, ND

***Faculty and Staff Biennial Exhibition.***

McCarthy Gallery, Valley City State University, Valley City, ND.

***Reconstituted***

Luce Gallery, Cornell College, Mt Vernon, IA.

***Momentary***

ARCC Gallery, Aberdeen, SD

***Heroines, Hops, and Hounds***

Juried Minnesota Women Ceramics Artists members

Lakes and Legends, Minneapolis, MN

2017

***Emerging: Hot Out of the Kiln***

Clay Place Gallery at Standard Ceramics, Carnegie, PA

***Art Educators' Small Works Exhibit***

In conjunction with SDCAA and SDAEA Conferences.

Student Center Gallery

Northern State University, Aberdeen, SD

2016

***NSU Art Faculty Exhibition***

JFAC Gallery, Northern State University, SD.

2014

***Vestige, Heirloom, Feminine***

The Ceramics Center Gallery, Cedar Rapids, IA.

***University of North Dakota Annual Faculty Show***

Myers Gallery, University of North Dakota,

Grand Forks, ND

2013

***EUP Ceramic Graduate Student Show***

Bliss Gallery, Youngstown State University, Youngstown, OH.

***Peculiar Factures: Agglomerations***

Heeschen Gallery, Meadville Council on the Arts, Meadville, PA

2010

***14<sup>th</sup> Annual Mug Show-Best in Show***

Clarion County Arts Council, Clarion, PA.

***On the Line***

Stable Gallery, Damriscotta, ME.

***In Transit***

Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, IL

***Current Ceramic Work by John Burkholder and Gratia Brown***

Scaife Gallery, Pittsburgh Center for the Arts, Pittsburgh, PA

2007

***Troposphere Undergrounded***

Underground Gallery, The Art Center, Butler, PA.

***Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh Staff Art Show***

Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh, Oakland Branch, Pittsburgh, PA.

**Teaching**

2019-  
present

***Assistant Professor of Art***

Valley City State University, Valley City, ND.

Courses include online, face to face, and blended: Art History I & II, Art Methods, Ceramics I-III, Introduction to Visual Art, Printmaking I-III, Sculpture I-II, Visual Arts Seminar II.

2017-2019

Assistant Professor of Art  
Northern State University, Aberdeen, SD

Courses include: Ceramics I-III, Design I-2D, Three Dimensional Design, Art Appreciation, Freshman Seminar, Senior Seminar.

2018

***Workshop Presenter***

***Working with Amaco Teacher Palette Light Glazes***

SDAEA & SDCAA Conference:

Building Community Through the Arts

Black Hills State University, Spearfish, SD

***Low Tech Printmaking for Clay.***

Art Education Institute, Arts South Dakota.

Northern State University, Aberdeen, SD

***Altered Sharpie Ceramic Tiles***

23rd Annual High School Art Workshop Day

Northern State University, Aberdeen, SD

***Mentor***

ART121 Design I, Mitchell High School  
Rising Scholar Program (Dual Credit)  
Northern State University, Aberdeen, SD

2017

**Workshop Presenter**

**Surface Techniques for Clay**

Art Education Institute, Arts South Dakota.  
Northern State University, Aberdeen, SD

**Linocuts for Clay**

**Warhol Blotted Line Technique**

SDAEA & SDCAA Conference: Future of Art Education  
Northern State University, Aberdeen, SD

**Altered Sharpie Ceramic Tiles**

22nd Annual High School Workshop Day  
Northern State University, Aberdeen, SD

2016-17

**Full Time Lecturer for Ceramics**

Northern State University, Aberdeen, SD

Courses include Ceramics I-III, Design I-2D, Three Dimensional Design, Art Appreciation, and Senior Seminar

2016

**Teaching Artist**

**Teen Clay**

and

**Introduction to the Wheel**

Aberdeen Recreation and Cultural Center, Aberdeen, SD

**Workshop Presenter**

**Warhol Blotted Line Prints**

21st Annual High School Workshop Day  
Northern State University Aberdeen, SD

**Surface Techniques for Clay**

**Soft Slab Animal Sculptures**

Art Education Institute, Arts South Dakota.  
Northern State University Aberdeen, SD

2015-16

**Adjunct Instructor**

Northern State University, Aberdeen, SD

Courses include Ceramics I-III, Design I-2D, Three Dimensional Design

2015

**Workshop Presenter**

**Altered Sharpie Ceramic Tile and**

**Wheel Demonstration**

20th Annual High School Workshop Day  
Northern State University, Aberdeen, SD



***Teaching Artist***

Artwise Camps

Grand Forks School District  
at University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, ND

2014-15

***Adjunct Lecturer***

University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, ND  
Courses include Handbuilding I.

2014

***Visiting Artist and Workshop Presenter***

Hawkeye 10 Art Conference

Creston High School, Creston, IA

***Teaching Artist***

Eastern Iowa Arts Academy, Cedar Rapids, IA

After School programs, cancer support groups, special needs groups, etc.

Afterschool Clay Program

Kids on Course, United Way, Cedar Rapids, IA

Community Classes

The Ceramics Center, Cedar Rapids, IA

2008-10

***Teaching Artist***

Community School and Office of Community Education  
Pittsburgh Center for the Arts, Pittsburgh, PA

**Honors and Awards**

2020

**2nd place.** *Visions in Clay*,

LH Horton Jr Gallery, San Joaquin Delta College, Stockton, CA

2018

***Recognition Award***

*2018 UNICUM - International Ceramics Triennial*

National Museum of Slovenia, Ljubljana, Slovenija

2017

***Outside the Box Purchase Award***

*Kansas City Teabowl National*, Bredin Lee Gallery, Kansas City, MO

***Third Place Award***

Empty Bowls 2017 Ceramic Show

Wichita Falls Museum of Art at Midwestern State University,  
Wichita Falls, TX

- 2015 **Studio Assistant**, Penland School of Craft, Penland, NC.  
*Animal, Vegetable, Mineral & Me* with Pattie Chalmers  
*Self Expression Through Clay* with Michael Keighery
- 2013 **Best in Show**  
Iowa Crafts 4, MacNider Art Museum, Mason City, IA
- First Place Award**  
Annual Student Juried Art Show, Bruce Gallery,  
Edinboro University of Pennsylvania, Edinboro, PA
- Studio Assistant.** Penland School of Craft, Penland, NC.  
*Figuring Out* with Kensuke Yamada  
*Ceramic Musical Instruments* with Brian Ransom
- Grant Recipient**  
Research Incentive and Scholarly Effort (RISE) Program.  
Office of Grants and Sponsored Programs  
Edinboro University of Pennsylvania, Edinboro, PA.
- 2011 **Best in Show**  
Art in the Park, Center Gallery  
Jamestown Community College, Olean, NY
- Third Place**  
Skutt Kiln Peep Show, NCECA Conference, Exhibitors' Hall  
Tampa Convention Center, Tampa, FL
- Technical Assistant.** Haystack Mountain School of Craft, Deer Isle ME.  
*When Animals Go Tactile* with Bernadette Curran.
- 2010 **Best in Show.**  
4<sup>th</sup> Annual Mug Show-Best in Show  
Clarion County Arts Council, Clarion, PA.
- 2008 **Scholarship Student**  
Arrowmont School of Arts and Craft, Gatlinburg, TN  
*Small Scale Ceramic Sculpture* with Michaelene Walsh
- 2007 **General Work Study Scholarship**  
Penland School of Craft, Penland,NC  
*Ceramic Sculpture Workshop* with Sharif Bey
- 2006 **Charlene Burningham Scholarship Fund Student.**  
Split Rock Arts Program  
University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN
- Lenore Tawney Scholarship Student.**

Haystack Mountain School of Craft, Deer Isle, ME.  
*Dots Dots Dots* Fiber Workshop with Marian Bilenga

2003

***Scholarship Student***

University of Pittsburgh, Titusville Study Abroad Program  
Prague and Brno, CZ.

*Art of the Czech Republic*

**Related Experience**

2022

***Member***, ECOR Committee

Valley City State University, Valley City, ND

2020 -  
present

Bridges Arts Council Board. Valley City, ND.

***Vice President***

- Coordinated the BAC After School Art Program partnership with VCSU Art Department.
- Successfully wrote SVCF Longest Table Microgrant to fund expansion of K-12 visual art classes.
- Successfully wrote Eagles' Club application to fund Summer 2022 art classes.

***Member***, Sheyenne River Valley Project Subcommittee.

***Member***, Community School for the Arts Subcommittee.

Valley City State University Service Activities

***Art Education Program Contact and Adviser***

VCSU Art Department

University Supervisor of Art Education majors in Student Teaching Field Experience.

***Art Department Senator***

VCSU Faculty Senate

***Member (2020)***

Synchronous Course Etiquette Senate Subcommittee.

***Member (2022)***

Faculty Compensation Review Senate Subcommittee.

***Member***

Teacher Education Committee.

***Member***

Teaching and Learning Committee.

2019  
present

***Member***, Bridges Arts Council Board. Valley City, ND.

Valley City State University Committee Service

***Member***, Beautification Committee

**Adviser**, VCSU student art clubs.  
2021 – VCSU Art Alliance  
(student organizations merge membership and missions)  
2020 – Arts in Action and Open Studio Art Club  
2019 – Open Studio Art Club

2021 **Artist Talk.** *Fragment and Form.* Virtual  
Valley City State University, Valley City, ND.

**Panelist.** Chasing the Unicorn: Life after the MFA.  
Edinboro University of Pennsylvania, Edinboro, PA

2020-21 **Graduate Courses.**  
Morningside University/Art of Education University. Online.

*Reaching All Artists Through Differentiation.* (3 credits)  
*Teaching K-12 Art Online.* (1 credit)

2020 **Grant Review Panelist.** Community Access Grants.  
North Dakota Council on the Arts.

2019 **Committee Member**  
Creative Expressions Planning Committee  
Aspire, Inc., Aberdeen, SD.

**Artist Talk**  
Primrose Arts and Lecture Series  
Primrose Retirement Community  
Aberdeen, SD

2018 **Judge**  
National PTA Reflections Competition  
Simmons Middle School, Aberdeen, SD

**Ceramics, Craft Media, and Mixed Media Judge**  
Region 8A Arts Competition  
Fosston High School, Fosston, MN

SDHSAA Art Competition  
Sioux Falls, SD

**Volunteer**  
Mosaic Stepping Stone Public Art Project  
Art & Wine Walk, Aberdeen Downtown Association  
Aberdeen, SD

2017 **Judge**

National PTA Reflections Competition  
Simmons Middle School, Aberdeen, SD

***Benson Art Walk Featured Artist - August 2017***

Benson Art District, Omaha, NE

2017-19

Northern State University Committee Service

**Member**, Common Read Committee

**Member**, First Year Seminar Committee

**Member**, School of Fine Art Recruiting Task Force

**Member**, University Assessment Committee

2016

***Mentor***

Student Critique Program

NCECA Conference, Kansas City, MO

***Judge***

National PTA Reflections Competition

Simmons Middle School, Aberdeen, SD

2015

***Open House Demonstrator.***

Ceramics Studio, Art Department

University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, ND

***Ceramics and Craft Media Judge.***

Fosston Arts Festival

Fosston High School, Fosston, MN

***Contributor.***

Creative Companion Freshman Sketchbook Project

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania, Edinboro, PA

***Curator.***

*Playdate*, National Juried Show

The Ceramic Center, Cedar Rapids, IA

***Studio Manager.***

The Ceramics Center, Cedar Rapids, IA

2011-13

***Ceramic Studio Research Assistant / Studio Assistant.***

Edinboro University of Pennsylvania, Edinboro, PA

2011-12

***Gallery Assistant.***

Bruce Gallery, Edinboro University of Pennsylvania, Edinboro, PA

***Secretary.***

Clay Club, Edinboro University of Pennsylvania, Edinboro, PA

**Vender**

Art in the Park Art Fair, Jamestown Community College, Olean, NY.

2008

**Gallery Attendant**

La Mesa, Santa Fe Clay Gallery  
NCECA Conference, Pittsburgh, PA

**Studio Monitor.**

Ceramic Studio, Pittsburgh Center for the Arts, Pittsburgh, PA.

**Ceramics Demonstrator.**

Children's Museum of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA.

**Ceramic Studio Assistant Internship.**

Pittsburgh Center for the Arts, Pittsburgh, PA.

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***VCSU Art Education Students Bring Outdoor Art In to Girl Scouts.***

VCSU Hotline, December 9, 2019. [Click here.](#)

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**2018 International Ceramics Triennial IV UNICUM.** Exhibition Catalog.

**2018 Beyond the Brickyard.** Exhibition Catalog.

Doerr, Lexie. ***Faculty Spotlight: Gratia Brown.*** The Exponent. Vol 115, Issue 12, page 8. February 16, 2017. Print.

**Studio Visit Magazine.** Print.

Open Press Studios, Boston, MA. Volume 35 Winter 2016/17.

**10 x 10 x 10 x Tieton: Annual International Small Works Exhibition 2016.** Print. published by Tieton Arts and Humanities and Marquand Editions. 2016.

***Q&A: Gratia Brown Artist in Residence in Ceramics.*** Northern Today. Spring 2016. Print.

Simon, Rebecca. ***Meet Gratia Brown: New Artist in Residence.*** The Exponent. Vol 114, issue 8, pg 1. December 2, 2015. Print.

Pharris, Kelda J.L. *Artist-in-Residence settling in at NSU*. American News.  
Print and Online. 8 November 2015.

**Eye Spy: Gratia Brown.** Louise & Maurice. Online.

Parker, Melody. *Picking Up the Pieces: Collage Artist Redefines Throwing Pots in Ceramics*.  
Waterloo-Cedar Falls Courier. Print and Online. 18 January 2015.

**Alumni Spotlight: Gratia Brown.** Edinboro University Ceramics Seminar Blogspot - Online.  
[www.edinboroceramicsseminar.blogspot.com](http://www.edinboroceramicsseminar.blogspot.com)

## **Membership**

National Art Education Association/North Dakota Art Education Association (institutional)  
Bridges Arts Council - Vice President  
Minnesota Women Ceramic Artists  
National Collage Society  
National Council for Education in the Ceramic Arts

## **Collections**

**Private Collection.** Cedar Rapids, IA.

**National Museum of Slovenia.** Ljubljana, Slovenia.

**Cedar Rapids Museum of Art,** Cedar Rapids, IA.

**I-Park.** East Haddam, CT.

Salad Days Collection. **Watershed Center for Ceramic Arts,** Newcastle, ME.

**Hungarian Multicultural Center,** Budapest, Hungary.

