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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

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 - 2nd Place Award.*
LH Horton Jr Gallery
San Joaquin Delta College, Stockton, CA (National)
- Ancient Alchemy*

The Visual Art Center
The Washington Pavilion, Sioux Falls, SD.
(Regional 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

25th 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

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, Damariscotta, 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

2024 *VCSU Biennial Faculty & Staff Show*
Center for the Arts Gallery
Valley City State University, Valley City, ND

2023 *NDUS Traveling Exhibition.*
Bismarck State College, Cankdeska Cikana Community College, Valley
City State University, and North Dakota State University galleries.

VCSU Art Faculty Exhibit
Center for the Arts Gallery
Valley City State University, Valley City, ND

2022 *Jamestown Fine Arts Association 58th Annual Art Show*
The Art Center, Jamestown, ND.

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*
Heesch Gallery, Meadville Council on the Arts, Meadville, PA
- 2010 *14th Annual Mug Show-Best in Show*
Clarion County Arts Council, Clarion, PA.
- On the Line*
Stable Gallery, Damariscotta, 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, Craft History, Introduction to Visual Art, Printmaking I-III, Viking Voyage (freshman seminar), Sculpture I&II, Three Dimensional Design, Visual Arts Seminar, and Visual Art Capstone.

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 and
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 and
Soft Slab Animal Sculptures
Art Education Institute, Arts South Dakota.
Northern State University Aberdeen, SD

2015-16

Adjunct Lecturer.

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

2023 **Recipient.** Junior Faculty Excellence Award.
Valley City State University, Valley City, ND.

2021 **Resident Artist.** Studio Paducah, Paducah, KY

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 **Resident Artist.** Northern State University, Aberdeen, SD

Studio Assistant.
Penland School of Craft, Penland, NC.
Animal, Vegetable, Mineral & Me with Pattie Chalmers.
Self Expression Through Clay with Michael Keighery.

2014 **Resident Artist.** University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, ND

- 2013 **Resident Artist.** The Ceramic Center, Cedar Rapids, IA.
- 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.**
4th Annual Mug Show
Clarion County Arts Council, Clarion, PA
- Resident Artist.** Watershed Center for Ceramic Arts, Newcastle, ME
- 2008 **Scholarship Student.**
Arrowmont School of Arts and Craft, Gatlinburg, TN
Small Scale Ceramic Sculpture with Michaelene Walsh.
- Resident Artist.** Artist's Enclave, I-Park, East Haddam, CT
- 2007 **General Work Study Scholarship**
Penland School of Craft, Penland, NC
Ceramic Sculpture Workshop with Sharif Bey.
- Resident Artist.** Hungarian Multicultural Center, Budapest, Hungary.
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 Professional Experience

2019-pres

Valley City State University Service

Secretary, VCSU Faculty Senate. (2023-present)

Member

University Assessment Committee (2022-present)
SOAR Committee (2022-present)
Secondary Education Committee (2019-present)
Teacher Education Committee (2019-present)
Beautification Committee (2019-present)
Art Department **Senator**. VCSU Faculty Senate. (2020-23)
Subcommittee Member:
Faculty Compensation Review Senate Subcommittee.
(2022)
Synchronous Course Etiquette Senate Subcommittee.
(2020)
Blackboard Ultra Pilot Team (2022-23)
Faculty Compensation Sub-Committee (2022)
ECOR Sub-Committee (2022)
Teaching and Learning Committee.(2020-21)

2019-
present

Adviser, VCSU Art Alliance (formerly Art Club and Arts in Action)

2020-
Present

Art Education Program Contact and Adviser.

VCSU Art Department
Academic Adviser and Student Teaching University Supervisor for Art
Education majors.

2020-
Present

Vice President, Bridges Arts Council Board. Valley City, ND.
Member since 2019.

Activities include:

- Coordinated the BAC After School Art Program partnership between Bridges Arts Council, VCSU Art Department, and Community School of the Arts.
- Volunteer at BAC events such as Music in the Park.
- Provide craft table at community event.
- Updated BAC grant application information.

Successfully wrote

- BEK Community Partner grant to fund art classes in 2023.
- Eagles' Club application requesting funding for Summer 2022 art classes.
- SVCF Longest Table Microgrant to fund expansion of K-12 visual art classes.

Subcommittee Member.

Sheyenne River Valley Project Subcommittee.
Community School for the Arts Subcommittee.

2022-present	Curator , VCSU High School Art Exhibit. Center for the Arts Gallery, Valley City State University, Valley City, ND.
2023	Member , Region 6 Arts Across the Prairie Community Stakeholder Representative. North Dakota Council on the Arts. Student , Master of Education, Art Concentration program. Minot State University, Minot, ND.
2022-23	Student , Master of Art in Art Education program. Morningside University/Art of Education University. Online. Courses include: Managing the Art Classroom, Instructional Strategies for Art Teachers, Reaching All Artists Through Differentiation, Teaching K-12 Art Online.
2022	Completed Praxis II Art Content Exam (5134). (191 score)
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	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 University 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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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.

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Alumni Spotlight: Gratia Brown. Edinboro University Ceramics Seminar Blogspot - Online. www.edinboroceramicsseminar.blogspot.com

Membership

Bridges Arts Council - Vice President
Fargo-Moorhead Visual Artists
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.
Hungarian Multicultural Center, Budapest, Hungary.