



## CREATIVE EXPERIENCE

### Collaborative Public Projects (\*made with kids)

- I-Spy Murals*, Doernbecher Children's Hospital, Portland 2012-2015  
Designed with nurses to distract and engage patients in exam rooms and hallways
- Library Entrance*, Sunnyside Library, Clackamas, OR 2013  
Life-size steel silhouettes created with metal fabricator Matt Cartwright
- \**Values Silhouettes*, acrylic/paper mural, East Orient Elementary, Gresham, OR 2013
- \**The 12 Disciplines*, acrylic/pellon mural, Nellie Muir Elem, Woodburn, OR 2012  
Part of a two-month residency, in collaboration with photographer Sam Slater
- The Eyes of All*, acrylic mural, 162nd & SE Stark Street, Portland, OR 2012  
With artist Antwoine Thomas and 100 + volunteers for The Rosewood Initiative
- Office Mural*, Rockwood Building, Gresham, OR 2012  
Co-created with artist William Hernandez for nonprofit Human Solutions
- Workers Culture*, VOZ Workers' Rights Education Center, Portland, OR 2011-2012  
Murals co-created with day-laborers at VOZ Center with recycled house paint
- \**Science Murals*, paper collage, East Orient Elementary, Gresham, OR 2010-2012
- \**Our Neighborhood*, paper mural, Rigler Middle School, Portland 2010
- \**A Day at Reame*, Reame Children's Shelter, Sao Goncalo, Brazil 2010  
Mural residency completed with thirty residents and staff in two days
- \**Hallway Installations*, acrylic/paper, Spring Mtn Elem, Happy Valley, OR 2009-2012
- Turning the Page*, paper mural, Tualatin Public Library, Tualatin, OR 2008  
8x8 foot recycled paper mural, assisted by elementary school students
- Children of the World*, acrylic mural, Vernon Elementary, Portland 2009
- \**Peace Mural*, paper, Augustana Academy, Augustana Lutheran Church, Portland 2008
- \**The Animals Arrive*, paper mural, Legacy Emmanuel Children's, Portland 2008
- \**Children's Garden*, recycled paint mural, Luscher Farms Gardens, Tigard, OR 2008

### Selected Exhibitions

- 24 Preludes & Fugues for Painters*, paper collage, Muse Art & Design, Portland 2013
- Creative Heroes (solo show)* paper collage, Palio's, Portland 2013
- Paper Art*, West Linn Public Library, West Linn, OR 2012
- Women's History (solo show)*, Albina Community Bank, Portland 2012
- All Our Children*, paintings, Gallery for Good, Portland 2009
- An Artist a Day*, collage, Muse Art & Design, Portland 2009-2010
- Keep Portland Weird*, multimedia, City Hall, Portland 2008
- Recycled Art (solo show)*, multimedia, Cascadia Homes Gallery, Portland 2007
- The Ideas of Children (solo show)*, paintings, Spielwerk Toy Store, Portland 2007
- Portraits of Burnside (solo show)*, multimedia, B-Street Gallery, Portland 2006
- Recent prints and paintings*, Opal Rose Gallery, LaGrande, OR 2006
- Slivers of Portland, (solo show)* paintings and collage, Keystone Gallery, Portland 2005

### Publications

- Monthly Contributions, VivaScriva.com "Writing and the Critique Process", 2011-present
- "Children Flooding the Streets" "Debt in Developing Countries", "Divided Olympics",  
"Blue Nile Pandemic", "All in a Days Work" (narratives for competition), Future  
Problem Solving Program International, 2006-2011

"The Rain Stomper" (picture book) Marshall Cavendish, 2008  
"Path to Publication: parts 1-4" (article series) SCBWI Newsworthy, 2008

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### Presenter (writing workshops in various genres)

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| Wordstock, Portland, OR  | 2010, 2012 |
| Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators Conference, Oregon chapter | 2012       |
| The Nature of Words "Week of Words" Program, Bend, OR                          | 2012       |
| Oregon Coast Children's Book Writers Conference, Oceanside, OR                 | 2012       |
| Willamette Writer's Conference, Portland, OR                                   | 2010, 2011 |
| South Coast Writer's Conference, Gold Beach, OR                                | 2011       |

### Artist-in-Residence

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| Multnomah County Libraries  | 2007-present |
| Arts workshops based on picture book illustrations and literary themes  |              |
| VOZ Workers Rights Education Project  | 2010 –2013   |
| Taught classes, organized visiting artists for day-laborers' community center   |              |
| The Right Brain Initiative, Portland, OR  | 2009–2013    |
| 1-3 month residencies for k-12 students focused on murals and writing projects  |              |
| Additional programs for short-term residencies:   | 2007–present |
| Beaverton City Library, Candlelighters Association, Lot Whitcomb Elementary, Luscher Farms Gardens, Mudeye Puppet Company, Nature of Words Literary, No School Art School, Reame Children's Shelter, Sisters Middle School, Legacy Emmanuel Children's Hospital, Saturday Academy, SUN after-school program |              |

### Co-Director/Art Teacher Augustana Academy, Portland, OR 2004–2006

- Developed and taught month-long visual art workshops for 3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade students in rotating mediums, including drawing/painting, book arts, writing, and theater
- Secured funding sources and developed financial sustainability
- Designed marketing materials, newsletters, class brochures, and web content

## COMMUNITY WORK

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| Steering Committee Member, Muse "An Artist a Day" Event              | 2013         |
| Panel Member, Regional Arts & Culture Council, community arts grants | 2013         |
| Art Coordinator, VOZ Workers' Rights Education Project               | 2010-2013    |
| Critique Member, Illustrious-Us Illustrators Collective              | 2011-present |
| Critique Member, blog contributor, Viva Scriva Writer's Group        | 2006-present |
| Committee Member, First Book - Portland                              | 2008-2010    |
| Store Volunteer, School & Community ReUse Action Project, Portland   | 2003-2007    |

## AWARDS/HONORS

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| <i>Oregon Literary Fellowship</i> (young adult literature), Literary Arts, Portland | 2015 |
| <i>Career Opportunity Grant</i> (literature), Oregon Arts Commission                | 2010 |
| <i>Oregon Spirit Award</i> (picture book), Oregon Council of Teachers of English    | 2009 |
| <i>Artist Honorarium</i> , B-Street Gallery, Portland                               | 2006 |
| <i>Artist Residency</i> , Caldera, Portland   | 2005 |
| <i>Oregon Literary Fellowship</i> (young readers), Literary Arts, Portland          | 2003 |

## EDUCATION

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| <b>B.A. Honors in Studio Art, American University, Washington, DC</b>  | May 2000 |
| Presidential Scholar, Recipient of Carney Grant for Artistic Merit, Arts in Italy Abroad Program, Corciano, Italy, 1999, Chautauqua Institute of Art, Chautauqua, NY, 1997 |          |