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#### Solo exhibitions

2016	Landscape Still Lives Art Society of Kingston Kingston NY
2000	Hackensack River Stories Project: public art signworks for the 3.5 mile
	Hackensack River Greenway through Teaneck New Jersey
	Fairleigh Dickinson University College Art Gallery
	Hackensack / Teaneck campus
1992	Recent Etchings Books & Co., New York
1990	Prints Saint Peter's Church, NYC, New York Visual Arts Program
1986	Intimate ViewsFrom Away Maine Coast Artists, Rockport Maine
	Print portfolio with poet Frederick Lowe
1985	Portfolio of prints and poetry Books & Co., New York
	<u>Prints</u> Gross McCleaf Gallery, Philadelphia Pennsylvania
1975	Monoprints Carlton Gallery, New York
1973	Paintings Winter Gallery, New York

#### Selected group exhibitions

- 2017 Summer Show: Blue Mountain Gallery Artists NYC
  Bovina Open Barn & Studio Day Bovina NY
  Vision Quest Seven Green Kill Kingston NY August
  Stagecoach Run Art Festival Treadwell NY July
  Longyear Gallery Margaretville NY
  Windows Art Alliance of Monmouth County, Red Bank NJ
  Plein Air and Beyond Blue Hill Art & Cultural Center, Pearl River NY
  Thinking Big: Blue Mountain Gallery Artists Westbeth Gallery NYC
  Schmidtberger Fine Art Invitational, Frenchtown NJ
- 2016 Art Up pop up curated by Gary Mayer, Andes NY
  Monmouth Museum 37th Annual Juried Exhibition Lincroft NJ
  Art Connections 12 Montclair State University George Segal Gallery
  Longyear Gallery Invitational Margaretville NY
  Richard K Mills / John Schmidtberger SFA Gallery Frenchtown NJ
  Itsy Bitsy Bienniale Greenkill, Kingston, NY
  Bovina Open Barn & Studio Day Bovina NY

2015	Regional Juried Exhibition Arts Society of Kingston, Kingston NY
	Group Exhibit Sixty One Main Gallery Andes NY
	Ode to Earth Blue Hill Art and Cultural Center Pearl River NY
	and at NY / NJ Trails Conference Headquarters, Mahwah NJ
	29th Annual Juried Exhibition Art Alliance of Monmouth County
	Red Bank NJ
	Bovina Open Barn & Studio Day Bovina NY
2014	Faculty & Mills Mini Retrospective Steinberg Museum of Art,
	Brookville NY
2014	Members Exhibit Catskill Art Society Livingston Manor NY
2010	What Matters Most: Benefit for Ecoartspace. Exit Art NYC
2010	Reclaiming Vistas: Post 9/11 Urban Perspectives, Puffin Cultural
	Forum, Teaneck NJ
2007	Called To Action: Environmental Restoration by Artists, Art Sites,
	Riverhead NY
2006	Art in a Box Benefit Cheryl Pelavin Gallery, New York
2006	Life in the Meadows/The People and History of Teaneck Creek, Puffin
	Cultural Forum, Teaneck NJ
2005	<u>Public Art Works-in-Progress</u> , NJ State Council on the Arts, Depart-
ment c	of State Galleries, Trenton NJ
2004	Re-Futuring the Brownfields of Teaneck Creek: Artists Bite Back! Puffin Cultural Forum
2001-2	2 Toxic Landscapes: Artists Examine the Environment traveling to:
	WASTE Summit/Rachel Carson Institute, Pittsburgh;
	Biblioteca Nacional de Jose Marti, Havana Cuba, 2002
	Long Beach Island Foundation of the Arts and Sciences, 2004
2001	Building Against the Sky Michael Ingbar Gallery, New York
2000	Terra Infirma / Art, Activism and the Environment Puffin Foundation
1997	Today's Printmaker: Artist & Wordsmith Hillwood Art Museum, LIU
	Brookville NY
1995	Portfolio: Portraits in Words and Images Harper Collins, New York.
	Subsequently traveling to: Borderline Printmakers Workshop Keele
	University Staffordshire, England and Noorkoping Konst Forum 2,
	Stockholm, Sweden
	Group Monoprint Exhibition Connecticut Graphic Arts Center.
1992	Prints and Paintings 1986-92 John Fekner / Rick Mills Hillwood Art
	Museum, Brookville NY
	Benefit Exhibition for Peace Development Fund Forum Gallery, NYC
1990	Landscape Observed and Imagined: A Common Bond Krasdale
	Foods Art Gallery, Bronx, New York Daniel Hauben, curator

1988	On Broadway: Print Portfolio Sylvan Cole Gallery, New York.  U.N. International Day of Peace Art Exhibition Pak Sang Gallery, Seoul,
1987	Korea.  MGC Benefit Print Exhibition Associated American Artists, New York.  Printmaking Council of New Jersey Annual. Nabisco Brands Purchase Award
	Works on Paper Trenton City Museum at Ellerslie.
	Benefit Print Exhibition Manhattan Graphics Center, New York.
1986	77th Annual Paper in Particular Columbia College/Missouri Arts Council.
	Benefit Print Exhibition Our Mutual Friend, Brooklyn, New York.
1985	<u>Self Portraits to Go</u> Pratt Graphics Center, New York.
	Prints from Pratt Graphics Center American Cultural Center, Taipei,
	Taiwan.
	Back Streets / Back Yards Associated American Artists, New York
	1/10 A Printmakers Point of View Public Image, New York.
	Annual Printmaking Council of New Jersey,
	Metro Show City Without Walls, Newark, New Jersey. Best Print Award
	Prints Ensuite The Katonah Gallery, Katonah, New York.
	<u>Faces &amp; Places: Prints from Pratt</u> Images Gallery, Briarcliff, New York.
1984	Annual Printmaking Council of New Jersey,
	Art Institute of New Jersey, Somerset, NJ
	Gross McCleaf Gallery, Philadelphia, PA
	Prints from Pratt Images Gallery, Briarcliff, New York.
	Prints of New York City Associated American Artists, New York.
1983	Prints from Pratt Gallery Center Museum of Contemporary Art,
	Montevideo, Uruguay
1982	Pratt Graphics in Caracas CANTV Caracas, Venezuela .
1979	Annual Pratt Graphics Center, New York.
	Graphics Selected National Arts Club, New York.
	New Directions in Printmaking Pratt Traveling Exhibition,
1978	Annual American Cultural Center, New York.
	Annual Pratt Graphics Center, New York.

1974 <u>Group Show</u> Carlton Gallery, New York.

#### Place based/community public and environmental art

#### 2011-12 Teaneck Creek Conservancy, Teaneck, NJ

Fycke Lane entrance, a 350' long boundary and entrance placemaking feature. Realized Phase III including placement of 8 interpretive signworks, recycled concrete stone wall, zinc plaques with art and poetry by students from LIUpost and local middle school. Funding and grant support have been provided through Bergen County Parks, NJ Green Acres, Puffin Foundation, Jentel Foundation, the Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation, C. W. Post Research Grant Committee, and the NJ State Council on the Arts.

### 2010 Teaneck Creek Conservancy, Teaneck, NJ

Realized Phase II plans for the Fycke Lane entrance, a 350' long boundary and entrance placemaking feature. Phase I (2008) included recycled concrete pillars and robust fencing providing the armature for Phase II. Phase II saw local school papermaking workshop with artist Jane Ingram Allen, including weaving of vines through armature creating the metaphoric native American "fycke" or animal trap. Phase III scheduled for 2011 includes placement of 8 interpretive signworks, recycled concrete stone wall and a Lenape totem cross walk connecting the park with the local middle school. Funding as above.

### 2009 Teaneck Creek Conservancy, Teaneck, NJ

Team member of a three artist group working with area middle school to research local cultural and environmental history, create images and paint sculptural mural on five concrete sewer pipes – debris left behind during the construction of I-80-95. Part of the rehabilitation of this 46-acre brownfields to greenfield site in the northern NJ meadows. Funding by NJ State Council on the Arts and the Puffin Foundation, other private firms.

## 2007 Greystone Park Pictorial History, Morris Plains, NJ

Four murals in porcelain enamel on steel for the lobby of the new Greystone Park Psychiatric Hospital. Commissioned under the Public Buildings Arts Inclusion Act of 1978. A Project of New Jersey Economic Development Authority, New Jersey Department of Human Services, and the New Jersey State Council on the Arts.

### 2005-06 Bass River State Forest Stories, Little Egg Harbor, NJ

23' long narrative sculptural and interpretive feature for new park administrative office. Narrative graphics reveal the 100 - year history of changing land use in New Jersey's oldest state park, based on interviews and research of local community. The project is made possible by the Public Building Arts Inclusion Act of 1978. The Arts Inclusion program is administered by the New Jersey State Council on the Arts.

2005-06 <u>Walking Trees / Talking Trees</u>, Dix Hills Park, Huntington, NY and Teaneck Creek Conservancy, Teaneck, NJ. A temporary installation as part of the Town of Huntington Public Art Initiative. 45 etched zinc plates celebrating the active nature of 45 of these park's trees. Set in an active recreation park, these plaques remind viewers of the important functions of trees in our landscape. Action verbs, drawings and descriptions and stories will illuminate the message. With students from Hawthorne Elementary school, Northport, NY H.S. and students of the C. W. Post / LIU's Printmaking Workshop.

2005 <u>Buzzoni Farmstead /An Heirloom Landscape</u>, Closter, NJ. Commissioned by the Closter, NJ Environmental Commisssion, a narrative signwork reveals the site history and changing land use patterns of the area.

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2003 - 2009 <u>Broad Street Station Stories</u> at the Broad Street, Newark, NJ train station. A series of 19 porcelain enamel signworks of collaged artifacts, images and text that seek to connect the transportation public to local history and the surrounding communities. The Broad Street Station project was made possible by the Public Building Arts Inclusion Act of 1978. The Arts Inclusion program is administered by the New Jersey State Council on the Arts. Funding is by NJ Transit.

2001 - 2006 <u>Teaneck Creek Conservancy</u> Teaneck, NJ. Artist-in-residence at the Teaneck Creek Conservancy, Inc. and team member with landscape architect Blair Hines & Associates and Rutgers University wetlands scientist Dr. Beth Ravit and others in a brownfield to greenfield restoration of a 46 acre wetlands in the Hackensack Meadowlands. Place responsive eco-art, trails, wetlands restoration and outdoor classrooms are components of collaboration with the community, Township of Teaneck and Bergen Co. Dept. of Parks on this former landfill site. Responsibilities included interpretive graphical placemaking; research and archiving of historic local maps, photos, images and text; liason between artists and place narratives. www.teaneckcreek.org

1998 - 2006 Hackensack River Stories Project, Teaneck and Secaucus, NJ A site specific public art project of life lived on, in and along the Hackensack River. Sixteen digitally imaged and printed signworks placed along the 3.5 mile Hackensack River Greenway through Teaneck that evoke narratives of cultural history, ecological loss and restoration and memory associated with this important and recovering river

landscape. Research of visual artifacts and text was conducted in local historical societies, libraries, document collections and through oral history. 2001: 7 additional signworks for Secaucus, NJ wetlands mitigation site commissioned by the New Jersey Meadowlands Commission.

1996 X Community Garden. Armory Street Redevelopment Project / City of Englewood, New Jersey. With community residents and volunteers, designed, constructed and planted a garden consisting of paths forming the letter X, a house shape and planting beds containing native ornamental shrubs, perennials and grasses. The building lot had been the site of a chop shop which was condemned and torn down leaving only contaminated soil.

#### Commissions, competitions

- 2007 Greystone Park Pictorial History, Morris Plains, NJ New Jersey Economic Development Authority, New Jersey Department of Human Services, and the New Jersey State Council on the Arts. Four murals in porcelain enamel on steel for the lobby of the new Greystone Park Psychiatric Hospital. Commissioned under the Public Buildings Arts Inclusion Act of 1978.
- 2005 Huntington NY Public Art Initiative. Temporary installation of **Walking Trees/Talking Trees.** Huntington, NY.
- 2005 Closter, NJ Environmental Commission. **Buzzoni Farmstead/ An Heirloom Landscape**. Closter NJ
- 2005 NJ Dept. of Treasury, Div. of Property Management and Construction/ NJ State Council on the Arts: **Bass River State Forest Stories.** Little Egg Harbor, NJ.
- 2003 New Jersey Transit/NJ State Council on the Arts Newark Broad Street Station Transportation Enhancements and Accessibility Project. Newark, NJ.
- 2001 New Jersey Meadowlands Commission. **Hackensack River Stories.** Seven signworks for Mill Creek Point, Secaucus, NJ
- 1990 Orion Editions, New York. **GWB I, GWB II**, 2 screenprints, hand colored in 4 states, 10 impressions per state.
- 1989 Orion Editions, New York. **Dark City I, Dark City II, Dark City III,** 3 screenprints with hand coloring, each in an edition of 75 with 10 variants.
- 1988 Orion Editions, New York. **Celadon I, Celadon II,** 2 screenprints, each in an edition of 75 with 10 variants.
- 1986 Health Foundation of Greater Stamford, **Portrait of the Stamford Hospital**, limited edition screenprint.

- 1985 International Graphics Arts Foundation, Stamford, CT, screenprint **Madison Fragment** for the Portfolio A Sense of Place, edition of 100.
- 1980 Pratt Graphics Center, New York, **Third Avenue**, screenprint, ed. of 70.
- 1979 Orion Editions, New York, **Fifth Avenue**, screenprint, edition of 50.

#### **Bibliography**

- 2008 <u>A Great Conveniency: A Maritime History of the Hackensack River and Newark Bay</u>, Kevin K. Olsen, American History Imprints, 2008, pg 204
- 2007 <u>Stories of Transportation & Change : NJ Transit's Newark Broad Street Station</u> A project of NJ Transit, New Jersey State Historic Preservation Office, New Jersey State Council on the Arts, Richard Kirk Mills, artist.
- 2007 <u>Called To Action</u>: <u>Environmental Restoration by Artists</u>, Art Sites, Pub. Riverhead, NY
- 2007 <u>The Art of Placemaking: Creating Public Art, Urban Design and Interpretation</u> <u>that Tells You Where You Are</u>, Townscape Institute, Ronald Lee Fleming
- 2006 <u>Web Portfolio Design and Applications</u>, John DiMarco, Idea Group Pub.
- 2002 <u>Landscape Works with a Down-to-earth Bent</u> Jim Beckerman, The Record, Jan. 6,
- 2001 <u>Artist Draws on River Restoration</u> Steve Kelman, The Suburbanite, Feb. 21
- 2001 Printmaking For Beginners, Jane Stobart, A&C Black Ltd, London
- 2000 Good News UPN Channel 9, Secaucus, , Interview, Dec. 1
- 2000 Take 10 P. Ajuah Baity-Jones , Time Warner Channel 10 News NJ, October 11
- 2000 With His Art, One Can Find A River's History On A Sign Margo Nash, The New York Times, September 10
- 2000 An Artist Adopts the River Ana Alaya, The Star Ledger, Sept 20,
- 2000 <u>A Riverfront Retrospective</u> Don Stancavish, The Record, May 17,
- 2000 Richard Mills Interview Sherri Hendsley, NEWS 12 New Jersey,, May 5
- 1990 <u>Painter Organizes a Landscape Show</u> Vivien Raynor, The New York Times, Sunday, April 8
- 1985 Victoria Donohoe, The Philadelphia Inquirer, Friday, July 12.
- 1979 Al Bono, Indiana Penn, November 14.
- 1977 The Monotypes of Joe Solman, DaCapo Press, New York.

#### **Collections**

Jundt Art Museum, Gonzaga University

American Museum, Bath, England

American Savings Bank

**British Airways** 

Haifa Museum of Modern Art, Israel

Readers Digest

New York Hospital

Bank Leumi

Salomon Brothers, Inc.

Home Federal Savings Bank

Guggenheimer, Utenmeyer

**IBM** 

Mellon Bank, Pittsburgh

The College Board

Sen. Frank Lautenberg

South East Bank

Nabisco Brands

### Teaching, employment

2000-2014	Long Island University Post, Professor
1993-99	Long Island University Post, Associate Professor
1987-93	Long Island University Post, Assistant Professor
1986-87	Long Island University Post, Adjunct Professor
1986-87	President, Manhattan Graphics Center, New York
	Involved in founding MGC, a not for profit international
	printmaking facility that provides seminars, courses and workshop
	space for artists.
1980-86	Pratt Graphics Center, New York, Instructor
1984	National Academy School of Fine Arts, New York, Instructor
1982, 83	Art Expo, New York, Printmaking Demonstrator
1982-90	Master Printer. Freelance printmaking collaborations with Joe
	Solman, Bernhardt Crystal, Kyohei Inukai, Allain Arias-Misson,
	Andrew Stasik, Jan Sawka, Lawrence Cherney and others.
1979-1982	Master Printer at Rose Hill Editions with John Campione: editions
	for Herb Aach, Walter Darby Bannard, Robert Goodnough, Hans
	Haacke, Sol Lewitt, Robert Mangold, Lowell Nesbitt, Budd
	Hopkins, Dennis Oppenheim and others.

### Juror, panels, lectures

2007	<u>Called To Action</u> : <u>Environmental Restoration by Artists</u> , Art Sites, Riverhead, NY. Panelist
2004	<u>Teaneck Creek Conservancy Art Program</u> , Artists Talk on Art panel series, School of Visual Arts, NYC
2004	<u>Community/Performance</u> Art Culture Nature International Conference, Bryant College, Rhode Island
2003	Into the Woods / Environmental Art Artists Talk On Art, Phoenix Gallery panel series, New York
2003	Just What Is Public Art? Puffin Cultural Forum lecture
2002.	Slide talk for Cuban Press Conference,
	Biblioteca Nacional de Jose Marti, Havana, Cuba
2001	Poetics and Politics: An Advocacy Strategy from Interpretive
	Plaque to Theatrical Pulpit panelist. National Trust for Historic
	Preservation Conference. With the Townscape Institute.
	Providence, RI
2001	Chelsea Center juror, L.I. Partnership / Cultural Dev., Muttontown,
	NY
2001	Public Art in an Environmental Context presenter, 3rd International
	Conference of Art Culture Nature, Northern Arizona Univ.,
	Flagstaff. Lucy Lippard, kenote speaker.
2001	Telling a River's Story through Art Along the Greenway Bloomfield
	College, NJ, Bloomfield Third Riverbank Association symposium
2001	Hackensack River Stories: Public Art for a Greenway Sierra Club,
	No. NJ
2000	The Waterfront Center's 18th annual conference: Urban
	Waterfronts 18 / The Dynamic Waterfront–Putting People First.
	Panel: Art: A Potent Tool for Understanding Waterfront Culture
	October 27, Oakland, CA
2000	Malling of The Meadowlands Puffin Cultural Forum Panel
	Discussion
2000	Con Art: Art of the Incarcerated at Rahway State Prison
	Gallery 1708, Richmond, VA , curator w/ Jimmy Sadoski
2000, 1999	Hackensack River Symposium, Fairleigh Dickinson University
	Public Art in Context: Proposal For The Hackensack River
	Greenway
1990	Audubon Artists, National Arts Club. 48th Annual, graphics juror
1987	International Graphics Arts Foundation, Mini Print Biennial juror
1986	Audubon Artists, National Arts Club. 44th Annual, graphics juror

#### **Education**

MFA, The City College of New York, CUNY BA, The City College of New York, CUNY

### **Community service**

New Jersey Meadowlands Commission Arts Advisory Board Teaneck, New Jersey Planning Board (2003)

Township of Teaneck Advisory Board on Parks, Playgrounds & Recreation

Hackensack River Greenway Advisory Board 1998-2000

Teaneck Environmental Commission 1998-2003

#### Grants, awards and residencies

2008	Award for Excellence, Teaneck Creek Conservancy, First Annual awards dinner
2007	Ucross Artist Resident, Clearmont, Wyoming
2001-6	Artist in residence, Teaneck Creek Conservancy, Teaneck, NJ
2006	Jentel Artist Residency, Banner, Wyoming
2005	USEPA Environmental Education grant for eco-art project with local northern NJ middle schools
2004	Virginia Center for the Creative Arts Residency (Geraldine R. Dodge fellowship)
2004	Jentel Artist Residency, Banner, Wyoming
2004	Special Project Grant from Bergen County and the New Jersey State Council on the Arts, Department of State, a Partner Agency of the
	National Endowment for the Arts
2004	Research Grant, C.W. Post / Long Island University
2002	Education Commendation Award,
	Bergen Co. Historic Preservation Advisory Board
2001	Research Monetary and Research Released Time grant, C.W. Post / L. I. University
2001	Puffin Foundation Ltd. grant
2000	New Jersey State Council on the Arts / Artists in Education / Residency Roster
2000	The Waterfront Center, Wash., D.C. Clearwater Award for Hackensack River Stories Project. Jane Holtz Kay, juror.

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2000	Hackensack Riverkeeper. First annual Friend of the Hackensack River
	Award; citations from New Jersey Legislature, U.S. House of
	Representatives.
1999	Puffin Foundation Ltd. grant
1999	NJ Dept. of Commerce and Economic Development
1999	Research grant, C.W. Post / LIU
1999	New Jersey Historical Commission mini grant, Department of State
1997	Research grant, C.W. Post / LIU
1996	Research grant, C.W. Post / LIU
1985	Artist Space Exhibition Grant for Public Image Gallery, NYC