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Education

2010 Endicott College, Master of Education, Arts and Learning, Beverly, MA

1979 Vanderbilt University, Bachelor of Arts, Nashville, TN

Educator Licensure

2011 Massachusetts Certification and Academic License, Visual Art, PreK-12

Awards

2024 **Award of Excellence**, 33rd Annual Artigras, Mosaic Arts, Inc., Green Bay, WI

2022 **Palette & Chisel Academy – Prismacolor Award**, 9th Biennial Member juried show, Chicago Pastel Painters, Chicago, IL

2019 **Outstanding Achievement Award**, Evanston Art & Big Fork Festival, Amdur Productions

Award of Merit, Co|So Artists' Small Works: "Fruition", Copley Society, Boston, MA

2017 **Award of Merit**, Co|So Artists: Holiday Small Works, Copley Society, Boston, MA

Outstanding Achievement Award, Evanston Art & Big Fork Festival, Amdur Productions

2015 **Award of Merit**, Co|So Artists' Small Works: "Change-Up", Copley Society, Boston, MA

2014 **President's Purchase Award**, 35th Annual Mini-Works on Paper, Scott Angus, juror, Jacksonville State University, Jacksonville, AL

2013 **Award of Merit**, Co|So Artists' Small Works: "Coalesce", Boston, MA

First Prize and **Recollected Books Purchase Award**, 34th Annual Mini-Works on Paper, Mary Ann Sampson, juror, Jacksonville State University, AL

Award of Merit, Co|So Artists' Small Works: "Sterling", Copley Society, Boston, MA

2012 **Juror's Choice: Second Place Award**, "Distant Shores", Russ Kramer, juror, Copley Society Marine Art Show, Boston, MA

Best of Show, Marblehead Festival of Arts, Mixed Media, Marblehead, MA
Best of Show, “On or Of Paper”, Stacy Thomas-Vickory, juror, Lynn Arts, Lynn, MA

2011 **Edward D. Carey Award**, Marblehead Festival of Arts, Painting exhibit,
Marblehead, MA

Best of Show, Marblehead Festival of Arts, Mixed Media, Marblehead, MA.
Honorable Mention Award, “Capturing Time”, Ron DiRito, juror, Lynn Arts, Lynn, MA

2009 **Honorable Mention Award**, “Regional Show”, Marblehead Arts Association,
Marblehead, MA

2005 **Canson Award**, 29th International Exhibition, Northeast Watercolor Society, Kent,
CT

Honorable Mention Award, “The Big Show”, Marblehead Arts Association,
Marblehead, MA

Solo Exhibitions

2021 **“New Pastel Paintings”**, North Shore Art League, Winnetka, IL

2016 **“Miniature Moments”**, Copley Society of Art, Boston, MA

2014 **“Works on Paper”**, North Shore Art League, Winnetka, IL

2012 **“Lands, Far and Near”**, Brush Strokes Gallery, Marblehead, MA
“Pathways to Healing” at Marblehead Natural Healing, Marblehead, MA

2011 **“Pathways and Transition”**, Willow Community Gallery, Lynn, MA

2008 **“Tranquility East**, Aberjona River Gallery, Winchester, MA

2007 **“Retrospective: At Peace”**, The Art Corner, Salem, MA
“Lotus to Landscape”, Virginia Carten Gallery, Marblehead, MA

2006 **“A Year of New England”**, Atrium Gallery, Boston Courthouse, MA

2005 **“Lunar Landscapes”**, The Gallery at Grosvenor Park, Salem, MA
“Trees and Nature”, Harbor Park Gallery, Boston Courthouse, MA

2003 **“Visual Harmony”**, Parlor Gallery, Marblehead, MA

Selected Group Exhibitions

2025 **Annual Showcase**, NWTC at Neville Public Museum, Jane Hostetler juror, Libby Jacobs juror, Devyn McIlraith juror, Green Bay, WI.

2024 **"STROKIN' 10!"**, 10th Biennial Members Juried Exhibition, Anne Harris, juror, Chicago Pastel Painters at Tall Grass Gallery, Park Forest, IL.

"Create!", Richeson School of Art & Gallery, juried, Kimberly, WI.

"MOOS", Sally Strand, juror, Pastel Society of the West Coast, online only show

2023 **"Luminosity"**, Aline Ordman, juror, Southeastern Pastel Society International Exhibition, online only show

"BIG Little Art Show", Peninsula School of Art & Gallery, Fish Creek, WI

"Collaborate", The Art Garage, Green Bay, WI

"Marks of Distinction", Loriann Signori and Javad Soleimanpour, jurors, Central Mass Pastel Society, Harvard, MA.

"Make Your Mark", Ellen Eagle, Julie Freeman, and Isabelle V. Lim, jurors, Pastel Society of Southern California, online only show

"MOOS", Susan Kuznitsky, juror, Pastel Society of the West Coast, online only show

2022 **"Later Impressions"**, Chicago Alliance of Visual Artists at Evanston Art Center, Evanston, IL.

"Pure Color 2022", Michael Freeman, juror, 6th Annual Online International Juried Exhibition, Pastel Society of North Carolina

"Pastels Only", Annual Open Exhibition, Laurinda O'Connor, juror, Pastel Society of Maine at Saco Museum, Saco, ME.

"STROKIN' 9!", Ninth Biennial Members Juried Exhibition, Kendra Kett, juror, Chicago Pastel Painters at Palette & Chisel, Chicago, IL.

"Crossing Borders", Ninth Biennial Member Juried Exhibition, National Exhibition at Copley Society of Art, Boston, MA.

"99 Voices", PSWC 36th Annual Pastels USA International Open Exhibition, Clarence Porter, juror, The Art Center Morro Bay, CA

"For Pastels Only", Aline Ordman, juror, Cape Cod Cultural Center, South Yarmouth, MA.

"RED", Marla Baggetta, juror, Red Rock Pastel Society of Nevada, Las Vegas, NV

2021 **"Reflections in Pastel"**, Arkansas Pastel Society 9th National Exhibition, Karen Margulis, juror, ACANSA Gallery, North Little Rock, AR.

Pastels Chicago 2021, Chicago Pastel Painters 8th Biennial National Juried Open Exhibition, Yael Maimon, juror, McCord Gallery, Palos Park, IL.

"Pure Color 2021", Isabelle Lim, juror, 5th Annual Online International Juried Exhibition, Pastel Society of North Carolina

SMALL WORKS Members Exhibition, Barbara Jaenicke, juror, Great Lakes Pastel Society, J Petter Gallery, Douglas, MI

2020 **"IMAGINE.. Peace, Love, & Understanding"**, Stola Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL

"Summer Reflections", juried show, Copley Society of Art, Boston, MA

"The Sum of the Parts", Fused Chicago at North Central College, Naperville, IL

2019 **"Fayum 21"**, Fused Chicago at Union Street Gallery, Chicago Heights, IL

"Variations in Wax", Fused Chicago at RMU State Street Gallery, Chicago, IL

"Painting with Fire", Fused Chicago at Zhou B Art Center, Chicago, IL

Co|So Artists' Small Works: Fruition, Copley Society of Art, Boston, MA

2018 **"Waxing Poetic"**, North Shore Art League, Winnetka, IL

"Anchors Aweigh", Carey Vose, juror, Summer Members Show, Copley Society, Boston, MA

"Cultivation", Vincent Uribe, art director, OPEN gallery, Arts of Life North Shore studio, Glenview, IL

2017 **Winter Salon Show**, Chicago Art Source Gallery, Chicago, IL

"IT FIGURES, 2017!", ARC Gallery, Chicago, IL

"Imagine Denmark", Jorgen Soes Hejlsvig, juror, Kunstvaerket Galleri, Vitapark, Odder, Denmark

"Wax Stories II", Patricia Aaron, juror, Knoll Gallery, Denver, CO

2016 **"Copley on the Cape"**, Paula Daher, juror, Cultural Center of Cape Cod, South Yarmouth, MA

"Out in the Cold", Michael David, juror, Winter Members' Show, Copley Society, Boston, MA

2015 **Holiday Salon Show**, Chicago Art Source Gallery, Chicago, IL

Aqua Art Miami, Helen Hyder, juror, Frank Hyder, juror, Projects Gallery, Miami, FLA

Co|So Artists' Small Works: "Change-Up", Copley Society, Boston, MA
"Real People 2015", NAAC, Old Courthouse Arts Center, Woodstock, IL
"As Expected", Richard Baiano, juror, Stephanie Bond, juror, Copley Society, Summer Members' Show, Boston, MA
36th Annual Mini-Works on Paper, Rebecca Woods, juror, Jacksonville State University, Jacksonville, AL
57th Mid-States Art Exhibition, Ephraim Rubenstein, juror, Evansville Museum of Arts, History and Science, Evansville, IN

2014 **"The Devil in the Straight Line"**, Henning Haupt, juror, IEA International Juried Show, Audrey Love Gallery, Bakehouse Art Center, Miami, FL
"Real People 2014", Tina Engels, juror, William Lieberman, juror, Kelly Stachura, juror, NAAC, Old Courthouse Arts Center, Woodstock, IL
"Unbound(ed)", Kathleen Waterloo, juror, Kathy Roman, juror, Morpho Gallery, Chicago, IL
35th Annual Mini-Works on Paper, Scott Angus, juror, Jacksonville State University, Jacksonville, AL
"Encaustic Nature in Art", Jenny Learner, juror, TAC, Highland Park, IL
"Winter Visions", Hope Turner, juror, and Zola Solamente, juror, Copley Society, Winter Members' Show, Boston, MA
New Works by Gallery Artists, Chicago Art Source Gallery, Chicago, IL

2013 **"The Sound of Color"**, Howard Yezerski, juror, Copley Society Fall Members' Show, Boston, MA
"Inspired by the Modernists", Judith Tolnik Champa, juror, Copley Society Summer Members' Show, Boston, MA
Co|So Artists' Small Works: "Coalesce", Copley Society of Art, Boston, MA
"Community of Artists", Katherine French, juror, Danforth Museum, Framingham, MA
34th Annual Mini-Works on Paper, Mary Ann Sampson, juror, Jacksonville State University, AL
36th Harper College National Art Exhibition featuring Small Works, Staci Boris, juror, Palatine, IL
"Elemental", Kaveh Mojtabai, juror, Copley Society Winter Members' Show, Boston, MA

2012 **"Distant Shores"**, Russ Kramer, juror, Copley Society Marine Show, Boston, MA
Marblehead Festival of Arts, Mixed Media exhibit, Marblehead, MA

“From the Garden”, Gallery Della-Piana, Wenham, MA

“Zero to Ninety: the MAA Open”, Rob Roy, juror, Marblehead Arts Association, New England Juried Exhibit, Marblehead, MA

“Impressions”, David Brown, juror, and Miriam Stewart, juror, Copley Society Winter Member’s Show, Boston, MA

“On or Of Paper”, Stacy Thomas-Vickory, juror, Lynn Arts, Lynn, MA

New Member’s Show, Copley Society of Art, Boston, MA

2011 **“Just Add Water”**, Jane Winchell, museum curator, PEM Compliment Show, Salem, MA

New England Watercolor Society, Nava Grunfeld, juror, Westfield State Gallery, Westfield, MA

Northeast Prize Show, Theodore Stebbins, juror, Cambridge Art Association, Cambridge, MA

“Capturing Time”, Ron DiRito, juror, Lynn Arts, Lynn, MA

2010 **Member’s Prize Show**, Arthur Dion, juror, Cambridge Art Assoc, Cambridge, MA.

“3rd Dimension”, Wyona Lynch-McWhite, juror, Cambridge Art Assoc, Cambridge, MA

“Mixed Media 2010”, Joanne Mattera, juror, Lynn Arts, Lynn, MA

2009 **“Regional Show”**, Marblehead Arts Association, Marblehead, MA

2008 **Northeast Prize Show**, Nicholas Baume, juror, Cambridge Art Assoc, Cambridge, MA

“Toward the Light”, Alpers Fine Art Gallery, Andover, MA

2007 **“COOL”**, Sara Miller, juror, Cambridge Art Assoc, Cambridge, MA

2006 **“Illuminations”** at Mass General Hospital Cancer Center, Boston, MA

2005 **29th International Exhibition**, Northeast Watercolor Society, Kent, CT

“The Big Show”, Marblehead Arts Association, Marblehead, MA

“Juried Watercolor 2005”, Smithtown Township Arts, St. James, NY

2004 **“Works on Paper 2004”**, Andrew Witkin, juror, Cambridge Art Assoc, Cambridge, MA

“Autumn In America”, Franklin W. Robinson, juror, SOAG, Ithaca, NY

Art Festival Exhibitions

2024 - Appleton Art in the Park, Appleton, WI

2015 - 2024 Amdur Productions Art Festivals, seasonal outdoor festivals, IL & WI

2015 - 2022 Wells Street Art Festival, Chicago, IL.

2019 - One of a Kind Holiday Show, Merchandise Mart, Chicago, IL

2014 - 2019 Art in the Village, Fine Art Fairs, Hubbard Woods, IL

2005 - 2012 Paradise City Fine Art Festival, *semi-annual*, Northampton, MA

2005 - 2006 Artisans' Marketplace, Marblehead Festival of Arts, Marblehead, MA

Publications and Features

2020 Featured Artist, "Art in the Time of Covid-19", Artscope Magazine, May/June issue

2017 Featured artist, Studio Visit Magazine, volume 38, Summer issue, Diane Gaston, juror

"Buddha, paintings and meditations", artist/author, KDP self-publishing (Amazon)

2014 Featured artist, The Hand Magazine, Issue 5, Adam Finkelston, editor

2013 Featured painting, summer issue of Watercolor Artist Magazine

2011 Featured painting, Dick Blick Holiday Catalog

2007 Featured painting, annual calendar at Mass General Hospital

Teaching Experience

2025 - *current* Northeast Wisconsin Technical College, Green Bay, WI

2024 - *current* Peninsula School of Art, Fish Creek, WI

2013 - 2023 North Shore Art League, Winnetka, IL

2015 - 2022 Evanston Art Center, Evanston, IL

2006 - 2013 Montserrat College of Art, Beverly, MA

Professional Presentations

2018 Artist Talk, "Painting with the Encaustic Medium", Arts of Life, North Shore Studio artists, Glenview, IL

2016 Central Street Art Walk, Encaustic Demonstration at the Spice House in conjunction with the Evanston Art Center, Evanston, IL

2012 Encaustic demonstration, Copley Society of Art, Boston, MA
"Successful Self - Promotion", Guest Speaker, Salem State University, Salem, MA.

2011 Encaustic demonstration, Lynn Arts, Lynn, MA

2010 Encaustic demonstration, Swampscott Arts Assoc., Swampscott, MA

2009 Community Outreach, Montserrat College at Turtle Creek, Beverly, MA A.T.C.
Workshop host for Lynn Arts, Lynn, MA
"How to rise above the stereotype 'starving artist'", Guest Speaker, Montserrat College of Art, Beverly, MA

2006 Watercolor demonstration, Everett Art Association, Everett, MA

2005 Guest Speaker, Charter School, Marblehead, MA
Guest Speaker, Explorers Adult Education Class, Salem State University, Salem, MA

Curatorial Exhibitions

2020 "Melting", North Shore Art League, Winnetka, IL

2018 "Waxing Poetic", North Shore Art League, Winnetka, IL
"Studio Exhibition", Evanston Art Center, Evanston, IL

2017 "Studio Exhibition", Evanston Art Center, Evanston, IL
"Encaustic Encounters", North Shore Art League, Winnetka, IL

2016 "Encaustic", student show, North Shore Art League, Winnetka, IL
"Encaustic at EAC", student show, Evanston Art Center, Evanston, IL

2009 "One River, Five Streams", The Gallery at Grosvenor Park, Salem, MA

Reviews and Press

2016 Dana Marks, "Miniature Moments Press Release", <https://robinsamiljan.com/miniature-moments/>

Jennifer Hepp, "Evanston artist featured in prestigious Boston gallery", <https://robinsamiljan.com/the-daily-northwestern/>

2014 Julia Ris, "Featured Artist", FUSEDChicago website, <https://robinsamiljan.com/fused-chicago-midwest-encaustic-artists/>

2012 Charlene Peters, "All of her beeswax", Marblehead Reporter and wickedlocal.com, <https://robinsamiljan.com/all-of-her-beeswax/>

2011 Deahn Berrini Leblang, "Pretty as a Picture", Swampscott Patch, <http://swampscott.patch.com/articles/pretty-as-a-picture#photo-5943270>

2007 Wendy Snow-Lang, "A Zen Garden of Delights", Salem Gazette, <https://robinsamiljan.com/zen-garden-delights/>

Nancy Fromson, "Landscape to Lotus", Jewish Journal, <https://robinsamiljan.com/639-2/>

2004 William Henderson, "Full Moon Fever", Swampscott Reporter, <https://robinsamiljan.com/full-moon-fever/>

Permanent Collections

Children's Hospital, Boston, MA

Newton - Wellesley Hospital, Wellesley, MA

Private Collections throughout New England, the Midwest, and the U.S.

Memberships

Copley Society of Art, Copley Artist member

Wisconsin Visual Artists, North Region member

Chicago Pastel Painters, Signature member

Pastel Society of America, Associate member