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Education

2021 MA - Metalwork, Jewelry Design, Digital Fabrication - Northern Illinois University. DeKalb, IL

2019 BFA - Sculpture - Northern Illinois University. DeKalb, IL

Solo Shows

2022

Quartet for the End of Time, the PLAN. Chicago, IL

2019

The Treachery of Objects, David Salkin Creative. Chicago, IL

Two / Three Person Shows

2021

Our Two Scents, Cleaner Gallery + Projects. W/ Marvin Chan. Chicago, IL

2018

Shooting Pool with a Rope, Baby Blue Gallery. W/ Derek Ernster + Jose Jimenez. Chicago, IL

Public Sculpture Commissions

2020

Denny Craycraft Memorial Sculpture, w / *Vietnam Era U.S. Soldier*, and *War Dog*, at Denny Craycraft Veterans Freedom Park. Belding, MI

2018

Clarence Zylman, *Muskegon's Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy Memorial Sculpture*, at LST-393 Veterans Museum. Muskegon, MI

Doris Rucks Memorial Sculpture, at Muskegon Community College. Muskegon, MI

Selected Group Exhibitions

2019

5th International Exhibition on Conceptual Art, Czong Institute for Contemporary Art (CICA) Museum. Gyeonggi-do, South Korea

More Small Painting(s); an Exhibition Homage to CvD. Lawrence & Clark. Chicago, IL

The Plant Show, Ground Level Platform, Chicago, IL

Rulers, Coco Hunday. Tampa, FL

Artist Residency Alumni Exhibition, Main Street Arts. Clifton Spring, NY

53rd Annual National Drawing and Sculpture Show, Cain Art Gallery, Del Mar College. Corpus Christi, TX

2018

75th Midwestern Biennial, Rockford Art Museum. Juried by Aron Packer. Rockford, IL

Impromptu, Rubberneck Gallery. Curated by Lauren Iacoponi. Chicago, IL

2017

Midwest Sculpture Exhibition, Indiana University Kokomo Art Gallery. Curated by Tara Scott. Kokomo, IN

14th Annual Regional Juried Exhibition, Freeport Art Museum. Juried by Dan Addington. Freeport, IL

2016

56th Greater Michigan Regional, Alden B. Dow Museum of Science and Art. Midland, MI

2015

55th Greater Michigan Regional, Alden B. Dow Museum of Science and Art. Midland, MI

Artist-in-Residence

2021

Artist-in-Residence at Art Casting of Illinois. Oregon, IL

2019

LAUNCH Invitational Residency at Chicago Artists Coalition. Chicago, IL

2018

Artist-in-Residence at Main Street Arts. Clifton Springs, NY

Public Collections

Del Mar College, Corpus Christi, TX

Notre, Chicago, IL

Private Collections

Chicago, IL

Grand Rapids, MI

Los Angeles, CA

Milwaukee, WI

Naperville, IL

Vancouver, BC, Canada

Estate of Virgil Abloh

Selected Curatorial Projects

2019

Where There's Smoke... Group Show. Co-Curated w/ Gretchen Schreiber. Annette & Jerry Johns Gallery. Northern Il. University. DeKalb, IL

Group Show, Terrain Biennial. DeKalb, IL

2018

Keep Cool, Chris Bradley & Mark Klassen. Backspace Gallery. DeKalb, IL

The Other Side of the Curtain, Noah Wandrey. Reynolds Whitney Gallery. DeKalb. IL

Return to 90/39, NIU/UW Madison. Co-curated w/Jodi Robertson. Jack Olson Gallery, Northern Il University. DeKalb, IL

Stuck in the Middle With You, 2nd Year MFA Group Sh. Backspace Gallery. DeKalb, IL

All Sheets to the Wind, Group Show. Backspace Gallery. DeKalb, IL

Graphic Design Show, VisCom Dept. Group Show. NIU SOAD Chicago Center Gallery. Chicago, IL

Interesting Voids, Caleb Beck. Backspace Gallery. DeKalb, IL

2017

Ping, Ping Syvongsa. Backspace Gallery. DeKalb, IL

Managing Conflict with Color, Brett Whitacre & John Linqvist. Backspace Gallery. DeKalb, IL

The Shed Series (and Satellites) 2011-2017, David Dodd Lee. Backspace Gallery. DeKalb, IL
Particles | Waves, Group Show. Annette & Jerry Johns Gallery, Northern II University. DeKalb, IL

the g(rad) stuff, Group Show. Backspace Gallery. DeKalb, IL

Awards

2020

John X. Koznarek Memorial Scholarship Fund

Lester K. Smith Creative Art Scholarship

2018

Michigan Council for the Arts & Cultural Affairs - Public Arts/Sculpture. Minigrant Arts Projects

O'Malley-Pugh Endowment Fund

Sally Stevens Scholarship in the Arts

Selected Bibliography / Press

2022

Bad at Sports. "Top V. Weekend Picks (4/21-4/27)." *badatsports.com*. Web. April 21, 2022.
Regarding "Quartet for the End of Time," at the PLAN, Chicago, IL.

2021

Bad at Sports. "Top V. Weekend Picks (5/13-5/20)." *badatsports.com*. Web. May 13, 2021.
Regarding "Our Two Scents," at Cleaner Gallery + Projects, Chicago, IL.

2020

Martin, Michael. Fox17. "Belding Veterans Park Unveils Several New Statues, Including of Founder." Web. September 7, 2020

Pickleman, Jason. "Lawrence & Clark." Print. October 2, 2020.

Sasiela, Evan. Ionia Sentinel-Standard. "Denny Craycraft Veterans Freedom Park in Belding Adds New Monuments." Web. September 11, 2020.

2019

Alyea, Ginny Van. Chicago Gallery News (CGN), "the Newest Thing; What Collectors are Buying Now." Print & Web. Fall 2019 Issue.

Coco Hunday. "Rulers," Exhibition Catalog. PDF/Web. 2019.

Del Mar College. "53rd Annual National Drawing & Small Sculpture Show," Exhibition Catalog. Print. February 15, 2019.

Northern Illinois University Art Museum. "Jack Arends Hall Alumni Celebration: 50 Years of Excellence in The Visual Arts," Exhibition Catalog.

West, SK. "'Rulers,' Explores Measurements and Leaders at Coco Hunday in Tampa." Creative Loafing. cltampa.com. Web. June 5, 2019.

2018

Bad at Sports. "Top V. Weekend Picks (1/11-1/17)." *badatsports.com*. Web. Jan 11, 2018.
"Shooting Pool with a Rope," Baby Blue Gallery. Chicago, IL.

Bad at Sports. "Top V. Weekend Picks (6/14-6/20)." *badatsports.com*. Web. June 14, 2018.
"Impromptu," Rubberneck Gallery. Chicago, IL.

Center, Patrick. "Muskegon's Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy Forever Celebrated with Statue."
WGVU Public Media. Grand Valley State University. *wgvunews.org*. Web. Nov. 12, 2018.
**Radio Interview*

CVPA, xFeatured. "Watch: the 2018 NIU College of Visual and Performing Arts Convocation Video."
NIU CVPA Arts Blog. *niuarts.com*. Web. Feb 14, 2018.
**Video Documentation*

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Main Street Arts, "Meet the Artist in Residence: Ari Norris." Main Street Arts Blog.
Mainstreetartsgallery.com. Web. July 2, 2018.

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Web. November 11, 2018.

**Video Documentation*

McQuire, Justine. "Muskegon Community College Honors Late Human Rights Champion." *MLive*. mlive.com. Web. September 27, 2018.

Northern Illinois University, "Ari Norris - Huskie Spotlight." *NIU website and NIU CVPA Arts Blog*. niu.edu. and niuarts.com. Web. July 2018

NIU Art Museum, "Museum Notes; A Publication for Members of the NIU Art Museum." Vol. 22, Issue 3, Spring 2018.

O'Riley, Andy. "Boogie Woogie Bugler Memorial Statue Unveiling." *Muskegon Channel*. muskegonchannel.com. Web. Nov. 10, 2018.

O'Riley, Andy. "Local Sculptor Ari Norris to Present the Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy November 10th at the LST 393." *Muskegon Channel*. muskegonchannel.com. Web. Sept. 28, 2018.

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Rockford Art Museum. "The Rockford Midwestern Biennial 2018," Exhibition Catalog. Published by 11th Street Printing. June, 2018.

2017

Koryzno, Peter. "MCC Alumnus to Create Life-Size Sculpture of Famed Muskegon Musician." *Reflections Magazine*. Summer Issue, 2017.