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### EDUCATION:

- 2015 Masters of Fine Arts. Department of Visual Arts, Western University, London, Ontario.
- 2009 Bachelor of Education. Faculty of Education, University of Windsor, Windsor, Ontario.
- 2008 Bachelor of Arts Honours (*with distinction*), major in Studio Art with a minor in French studies. School of Fine Art & Music, University of Guelph, Guelph, Ontario.
- 2003 Ontario College Diploma. Tradigital Animation Program, St. Clair College of Applied Arts & Technology, Windsor, Ontario.

### SELECTED EXHIBITIONS:

- 2019 **(solo exhibition)** *Refractor*. Campus Gallery, Georgian College, Barrie, Ontario.
- 2018 *Can I Kick it*, The Robert McLaughlin Gallery, Oshawa, Ontario. (curated by Pete Smith).
- 2016 *Plexus*, DNA Artspace, London, Ontario.
- 2015 **(solo exhibition)** *Hand-Eye*. McIntosh Gallery, Western University, London, Ontario.
- 2015 *Periphery/Core*. Satellite Space, London, Ontario.
- 2015 *[un]Bored*. Concourse Gallery, Western University, London, Ontario.
- 2014 *Sum of two and three, One more than four*. Artlab Gallery, Western University, London, Ontario.
- 2014 **(solo exhibition)** *Retrospective of an Emerging Artist*. Petrified Forest Gallery, London, Ontario. Curated by Matthew Purvis.
- 2014 *Painting (Jared Peters, Mike Pszczonak, and Matt Tarini)*. Michael Gibson Gallery, London, Ontario.
- 2009 *Insights 2009: A Juried Art Exhibition*. Wellington County Museum and Archives, Fergus, Ontario.
- 2008 *No Common Ground*. Paul Petro Special Projects Space, Toronto, Ontario.
- 2008 *stART Exhibition*. Studio21, Halifax, Nova Scotia.
- 2008 *This Must be the Place*. Zavitz Gallery, University of Guelph. (student run exhibition).
- 2008 *Enhanced Recycling*. Artery Gallery, University of Waterloo. (student run exhibition).
- 2008 *untitled (God is Dead, Painting is Not)*. Zavitz Gallery, University of Guelph. (student run exhibition)
- 2007 *Juried Art Show*. University of Guelph, Guelph, Ontario.
- 2007 *Asbestos You Can*. Zavitz Gallery, University of Guelph. (student run exhibition)

## **AUCTIONS AND FUNDRAISERS:**

- 2021 *Up with Art Silent Auction*, Unity Project in conjunction with Museum London. London, Ontario.
- 2016 *Up with Art Silent Auction*, Unity Project in conjunction with Museum London. London, Ontario.
- 2015 *Blank Canvas Art Auction*, Museum London. London, Ontario.
- 2015 *50/50*, Artspace, Peterborough, Ontario.
- 2015 *Wish List Members Show*. Forest City Gallery, London, Ontario.
- 2008 *Manhattan's Silent Auction*, in conjunction with the University of Guelph School of Fine Art and Music. Guelph Ontario.

## **GRANTS AND AWARDS:**

- 2020 *Professional Artists Community Arts Investment Program*, London Arts Council.
- 2018 *Visual Artists Creation Projects Grant*, Ontario Arts Council.
- 2015 *Emerging Artist Grant*, Ontario Arts Council.
- 2014 - 2015 *SSHRC - CGS Masters Research Scholarship*. University of Western Ontario. London, Ontario.
- 2014 - 2015 *Ontario Graduate Scholarship*. University of Western Ontario. London, Ontario. (\*Declined)
- 2013 - 2014 *Western Graduate Research Scholarship*. University of Western Ontario. London, Ontario.
- 2013 *Chairs Entrance Scholarship*. University of Western Ontario. London, Ontario.
- 2009 *Insights 2009: Painting Award*, Wellington County Museum and Archives. Fergus, Ontario.
- 2008 *Faculty Painting Award*. Juried Art Show. University of Guelph. Guelph, Ontario.

## **BIBLIOGRAPHY:**

- Whitney South, "Student Artist Hopes to Inspire with Pop-Up Gallery." *London Community News*, London, Ontario. February 21, 2014.
- Kelly McKenzie, Kim Neudorf, and Matthew Purvis, *Sum of Two and Three, One More Than Four Catalogue Essay*. London, ON: Pistol Press, 2014.
- Matthew Purvis, "Deflated Man and Inflated Meat." *Retrospective of an Emerging Artist Catalogue Essay*. London, ON: Petrified Forest Press, 2014.
- Elissa Barnard, "Different Strokes at Studio 21." *The Chronicle Herald*, Halifax, Nova Scotia. March 25, 2008.
- "Rope Ladder: A Catalogue of Selected Undergraduate Art." *Jeunesse Press*, Guelph, Ontario. 2007.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE:**

- 2016 - Part-Time Faculty. Fanshawe College, Department of Fine Art, London, Ontario.  
Courses taught: - Sculpture 1. (Fall 2016 - Present)  
- Sculpture 2 (Winter 2017 - Present)  
- Introduction to Photography (Fall 2020 – Present)  
- Painting 1 (Fall 2018 - Present)  
- Painting 2 (Winter 2019 - Present)
- 2016 - 2017 Part-Time Faculty. Georgian College, School of Design and Visual Arts, Barrie, Ontario.  
Courses taught: - Ideas and Imagery (Fall 2016, Winter 2017)  
- Design Foundations (Fall 2017)  
- Analytical Drawing (Winter 2017)  
- Colour and Design. (Fall 2016)
- 2014 – 2015 Graduate Teaching Assistant - Advanced Studio Foundations.  
University of Western Ontario, London, Ontario.
- 2013 - 2014 Graduate Teaching Assistant - Foundations of Visual Arts.  
University of Western Ontario, London, Ontario.

## **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:**

- 2018 Residency Committee, Forest City Gallery, London, Ontario.  
2015 Board Member, Forest City Gallery, London, Ontario.  
2015 Western Open Studios, Organizer. University of Western Ontario.  
2014 – 2015 Visual Arts Graduate Student Association, Chair. University of Western Ontario.  
2014 Western Open Studios, Organizer. University of Western Ontario.  
2007 - 2008 Fine Arts Network, Social Coordinator. University of Guelph.  
2006 – 2007 College of Arts Student Union, University of Guelph.

## **PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT:**

- 2007 - present Website Design and Maintenance for various artists.  
2007 - 2010 Studio Assistant for various artists. Guelph/Toronto, Ontario.  
2007 Undergraduate Research Assistant. University of Guelph  
2003 Talltree Animation Studios. Windsor Ontario

## **VISITING ARTIST TALKS AND CONFERENCE PANELS:**

- 2015 *Open it Out, Set it Going*. BOREDOM: Western University Visual Arts Graduate Conference. Panel discussion (Mike Pszczonak, Cinthya Guzman, and Dave Kemp, moderated by Kelly Jazvac). University of Western Ontario, London, Ontario.
- 2013 *Visiting Artist*. Nipissing University, North Bay, Ontario.

## **CURATORIAL PROJECTS:**

- 2014 – 2015 *Pszczonak Contemporary Projects Window Gallery*. University of Western Ontario, London, Ontario.