



CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION

- 2009 – Écorché (Human Anatomy) Sculpture Course, 10 Weeks with James Shoop, St. Croix Falls, WI
- 2008 – Large Group Figure Composition, Juried 10-day Master Class, Jove Wang, Pasadena, CA
- 2008 – Advanced Color Theory Workshop, Kauai, HI with Camille Przewodek (lineage of Henry Hensche/ Charles Webster Hawthorn, Cape Cod School)
- Summer 2008 – Sculpture Anatomy of the Head with James Shoop, St. Croix Falls, WI
- 2006 – Portrait Workshop (scholarship) with master artist, Jove Wang, Scottsdale Artists School, Scottsdale, AZ
- 2003, 2005 – Plein Air Workshops with master painter and author, Kevin MacPherson, Maui, HI, and Provence, France
- 1995-2001 – Studied plein-air and Alla Prima painting with Zhang Wen Xin, Jim Wilcox, and Robert Duncan in Jackson, WY; Joe Paquet, St. Paul, MN, and Stapleton Kearns, Rockport, MA
- 1979 – Studied composition and copperplate etching with C. Daniel Graves (founder and director of the Florence Academy of the Arts, Florence, Italy)
- 1974-1977 – Full-time student apprentice with Richard Lack, Atelier Lack, Minneapolis, MN
- 1975 – BA Degrees; Art Major, Humanities Major, French Minor; College of St. Benedict, St. Joseph, MN
- 1974 – Mankato State College, Mankato, MN - courses in abstract art and composition
- 1974-1975 – Studied with Hungarian artist Bela Petheo, St. John's University, Colledgeville, MN

LECTURES, PRESENTATIONS AND WORKSHOPS

- September 2017 - Plein Air Painting 7-day workshop in Cinque Terre, Italy
- June 2017 - Plein Air Figure and Landscape 3-day workshop, Taylors Falls, MN
- May 2017 - The Artistic Anatomy of Water, Trees and Sky 3-day workshop, Taylors Falls, MN
- April 2017 – “Great Starts! Painting from the Inside Out” Main Stage Demonstration, Streamline Publishing’s Plein Air Convention and Expo, San Diego, CA
- April 2017 - Outdoor Painters of Minnesota Plein Air Landscape workshop, Minneapolis, MN
- October 2016 - The Artistic Anatomy of Rocks, Trees, Water and Sky 3-day workshop, San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts, San Angelo, TX
- October 2016 - Guest lecturer, EnPleinAir Texas event, San Angelo, TX
- September 2016 - The Artistic Anatomy of Rocks, Trees, Water and Sky 3-day workshop, Taylors Falls, MN
- June 2016 - Plein Air Figure and Landscape 3-day workshop, Taylors Falls, MN
- May 2016 - The Artistic Anatomy of Water, Trees and Sky 3-day workshop, Taylors Falls, MN
- March 2016 - Outdoor Painters of Minnesota Plein Air Landscape workshop, Minneapolis, MN
- October 2015 - Guest lecturer, EnPleinAir Texas event, San Angelo, TX
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- April 2015 - Beginner/Intermediate Plein Air 3-day workshop, Taylors Falls, MN
- March 2015 - Oil Painters of Minnesota Plein Air Figure workshop, Minneapolis, MN
- October 2014 - Fall Master Class, Minneapolis, MN
- September 2014 - Plein Air Landscape 4-day workshop, Taylors Falls, MN
- September 2014 - Guest lecturer, Cincinnati Art Club, Cincinnati, OH
- September 2014 - Plein Air 2-day workshop, The Cincinnati Art Club, Cincinnati, OH
- June 2014 - Plein Air Figure and Landscape 3-day workshop, Taylors Falls, MN
- April 2014 - Guest lecturer, Cincinnati Art Club, Cincinnati, OH
- April 2014 - Beginner/Intermediate Plein Air 3-day workshop, Taylors Falls, MN
- March 2014 - Guest lecturer, Northstar Watercolor Society, Minneapolis, MN
- March 2014 - Spring Master Class, Minneapolis, MN
- December 2007 -2014 – Director and Mentor of a Monthly Advanced Concepts Artists Group, Home Studio, Taylors Falls, MN
- July 2013 – Plein Air Figure and Landscape 4-day workshop, Taylors Falls, MN
- June 2013 – Creative Breakthrough: Plein Air Workshop, The Duluth Art Institute, Duluth, MN
- May 2013 – Creative Breakthrough: Bring the Art Spirit Into Your Work, Grand Marais Art Colony, Grand Marais, MN
- May 2013 – The Joy of Plein Air Painting Workshop, The Duluth Art Institute, Duluth, MN
- February 2013 – The Islanders/Maui Cultural Council 3-day Plein Air Workshop, Maui, HI
- September 2011 – Plein Air in Tuscany with Mary Pettis, Tuscany, Italy
- August 2011 – Creative Breakthrough 3-day workshop, Grand Marais Art Colony, Grand Marais, MN
- July 2011 – Plein Air Landscape 5-day workshop, Taylor’s Falls, MN
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- November 2009 – Plein Air Painters of Hawaii 5-day Plein Air Workshop, Maui, HI
- July 2009 – Plein Air Landscape 5-day workshop, Taylor’s Falls, MN
- February 2009 – Plein Air Painters of Hawaii 5-day Workshop, Maui, HI
- October 2008 – Venice Workshop, Venice, Italy
- May 2008 – France Workshop, Dordogne Region, Southwest France
- August 2007 – 3-day workshop and Evening Public Lecture in Devil's Lake, ND in conjunction with the celebrated North Dakota Chautauqua
- May 2007 – Tuscany Workshop, Tuscany, Italy
- 2006-2008 – Occasional Regional Lectures in Minnesota on Art and the Creative Spirit
- Summers, 2001-2008 – St. Croix Scenic Riverway Minnesota Plein Air Annual 5-day Workshop, Taylors Falls, MN
- May 2006 – Tuscany Workshop, Vagliagli, Italy
- 1990-2001 – Taught workshops, mentored student artists and gave presentations at schools and area youth agencies in Polk and Chisago Counties, Wisconsin and Minnesota
- 1986-1988 – Founder, director, instructor - Atelier Pettis Wirkkula, Taylors Falls, Minnesota

MAJOR COLLECTIONS

- Permanent Collection - Minneapolis Institute of Arts (MIA), Minneapolis, MN
- Permanent Collection - Emigrant Institute, Vaxjo, Sweden
- U.S. Senate Offices - Washington D.C.
- Executive Residence Library - State of Wisconsin - Madison, WI
- Cargill Corporation Collection, MN
- Evergreen Hospital, Kirkland, WA, Entrance Lobby and Chapel
- Carl Pohlada Collection, MN

MAJOR COLLECTIONS, cont.

- Osceola Medical Center, Major Collection of 17 originals - Osceola, WI
- Private Quarters of the Royal Residence - Stockholm, Sweden
- Horst Rechalbacher - founder of Aveda, Osceola, WI

MAJOR EXHIBITIONS & AWARDS

- September 2016 to January 2018 - American Society of Marine Artists 17th National Exhibition, Hosted by 6 Museums
- September 2017 - Art Renewal Center's ARC Salon Traveling Exhibition, European Museum of Modern Art (MEAM), Barcelona, Spain
- June 2017 – Solo Exhibition, “Beyond the Surface”, 25+ works inspired by Debussy’s *Images* performed in tandem by The Minnesota Orchestra, Orchestra Hall, Minneapolis, MN
- June 2017 - Il Chiosstro's 12th Annual Art Exhibit, “The HeArt of Italy, New York, NY
- May 2017 – Art Renewal Center's ARC Salon Traveling Exhibition, Salmagundi Gallery, New York, NY
- May 2017 - Oil Painters of America's National Exhibition of Traditional Oils, Cincinnati, OH
- April 2017 – BoldBrush Painting Competition, **Finalist**
- February 2017 – 12th Maui Plein Air Invitational, Lahaina, HI
- January 2017 – BoldBrush Painting Competition, **Finalist**
- January 2017 – Art Muse, Master Class, **Finalist**
- January 2017 – The Sedona Art Prize Competition, **Finalist**
- December 2016 – BoldBrush Painting Competition, **Finalist**
- December 2016 - Oil Painters of America's Fall Signature & Associate Online Showcase, **Honorable Mention**
- November 2016 - 12th Annual International Art Renewal Center's ARC Salon Competition, **Third Place winner, Plein Air Magazine Award, Honorable Mention, Finalist**
- November 2016 - The Artist's Magazine 33rd Annual Art Competition, Animal/Wildlife category, **Finalist**
- November 2016 – The Mountain Oyster Club's 47th Annual Auction and Exhibition, Tucson, AZ
- October 2016 – The Sedona Art Prize, **Finalist**
- October 2016 – EnPleinAir Texas 3rd National Juried Plein Air Exhibition, San Angelo, TX, **Texas Ranchland Award**
- September 2016 – The Sedona Art Prize, **Finalist**
- September 2016 - American Impressionist Society's 17th Annual National Juried Exhibition, Seattle, WA
- September 2016 - "Making Waves: An Exploration of the Maritime World of Art" Exhibition, Williamsburg Art Gallery, Williamsburg, VA
- July 2016 - Duluth Art Institute's "Paint Du Nord" Plein Air Event, Duluth, MN, **Best Sense of Place Award**
- July to August 2016 - "Truth in Nature" Plein Air Painting Exhibition, Ford Family Gallery: White Bear Center for the Arts, White Bear Lake, MN
- June to September 2016 - Outdoor Painters of Minnesota Exhibition of Plein Air Painting in Minnesota, MSP International Airport
- May 2016 - Oil Painters of America's National Exhibition of Traditional Oils, Dallas, TX
- April 2016 - American Society of Marine Artists North Regional Exhibition, Minnesota Marine Art Museum, Winona, MN
- February 2016 – 11th Maui Plein Air Invitational, Lahaina, HI, **Pioneer Inn Award**

MAJOR EXHIBITIONS & AWARDS cont.

- December 2015 - The Artist's Magazine 32nd Annual Art Competition, Animal/Wildlife category, **Finalist**
- November 2015 - The Mountain Oyster Club's 46th Annual Auction and Exhibition, Tucson, AZ
- October 2015 - EnPleinAir Texas 2nd National Juried Plein Air Competition and Exhibition, San Angelo, TX, **Third Place winner**
- October 2015 - American Impressionist Society's 16th Annual National Juried Exhibition, Scottsdale, AZ
- September 2015 - BoldBrush Painting Competition, **Finalist**
- August - September 2015 - Solo Exhibition titled "Time Stands Still", 39 paintings, Jaques Art Center, Aitkin, MN
- July 2015 - Duluth Art Institute's "Paint Du Nord" Plein Air Event, Duluth, MN
- May 2015 - Oil Painters of America's National Exhibition of Traditional Oils, St. Augustine, FL
- 2014/2015 - 11th Annual International Art Renewal Center's ARC Salon Competition, **Finalist**
- April 2015 - Il Chioistro's 10th Annual Art Exhibit, Immagini: Images of Italy, Lambertville, NJ
- March 2015 - BoldBrush Painting Competition, **Finalist**
- March 2015 - Il Chioistro's 10th Annual Art Exhibit, Immagini: Images of Italy, New York, NY
- February 2015 – 10th Maui Plein Air Invitational, Lahaina, HI, **Montage Kapalua Bay Award, King of Frame Award**
- December 2014 – Raymar Fine Art Competition, **Finalist**
- 2013/2014 - 10th Annual International Art Renewal Center's ARC Salon Competition, **Finalist**
- October 2014 - American Impressionist Society's 15th Annual National Juried Exhibition
- May 2014 – Minnetonka Center for the Arts Members' Juried Show, Wayzata, MN, **Best in Show - First Place**
- February 2014 – 9th Maui Plein Air Invitational, Lahaina, HI
- June 2013 – Easels in Frederick Plein Air Invitational, Frederick, MA, **People's Choice Award**
- February 2013 – 8th Maui Plein Air Invitational, Lahaina, HI
- 2012 – American Impressionist Society National Juried Exhibition, Indianapolis, IN
- July 2012 – Door County Plein Air Invitational, Peninsula School of Art, Fish Creek, WI
- February 2012 – 7th Maui Plein Air Invitational, Lahaina, HI
- March-April 2012 – Il Chioistro Juried Exhibition, The Art Gallery, 25 Central Park West, New York, NY
- February 2011 – 6th Maui Plein Air Invitational, Lahaina, HI, **Irvine Museum Award of Excellence**
- 2010 – Oil Painters of America Regional Exhibition, Wilmington, SC
- February 2010 – 5th Maui Plein Air Invitational, Lahaina, HI
- 2010 – Oil Painters of America National Exhibition, Scottsdale, AZ
- October 1-10, 2009 "Palais des Nations" Exhibition, United Nations Headquarters, Geneva, Switzerland (10 artists)
- February 2009 – 4th Maui Plein Air Painting Invitational, Maui, HI
- November 2008 – 17th Annual Invitational Small Works Show, Howard/Mandville Gallery, Kirkland, WA
- September 2008 – "Sharing the Colors of Tuscany", Conversation Pieces Gallery, St. Croix Falls, WI
- February 2008 – 3rd Maui Plein Air Painting Invitational, Maui, HI
- January 2008 – Solo Exhibition, "Landscapes - Looking Deeper", 36 paintings, Art Center of St. Peter, MN
- April 2007 – Scottsdale Artists' School Beaux Arts Auction, Scottsdale, AZ
- February 2007 – 2nd Maui Plein Air Painting Invitational, Maui, HI, **Irvine Museum Award of Excellence**

MAJOR EXHIBITIONS & AWARDS cont.

- March 2007 – "Brushes with Italy" Exhibition, Broome Street Gallery, New York, NY
- September 2006 – "Artists for the New Century" invitational exhibition, Bennington, VT
- June 2006 – The Society of Master Impressionists Inaugural National Juried Exhibition, Amarillo, TX
- May 2006 – "Love of the Land", Salon Exhibition, Howard Mandville Gallery, Kirkland, WA
- February 2006 – Maui Plein Air Invitational, Maui, HI, **Irvine Museum Award of Excellence**
- November 2005 – 15th Annual Invitational Miniature Show, Kirkland, WA
- 2005 – Solo Exhibition "Coming to Light", 52 paintings, Up North Fine Art, Lindstrom, MN
- June 2005 – "Love of the Land", Salon Exhibition, Howard Mandville Gallery, Kirkland, WA
- 2004 – Best and Brightest Art Show, Scottsdale, AZ, **Plein Air Painters of America Marlin Linville Memorial Award**
- 2004 – 3rd Annual Rocky Mountain Plein Air painters, Estes Park, CO
- 2004 – Two-person Chicago Exhibition, 30 paintings, Hilligos Galleries, Chicago, IL
- 2004 – Desert Plein Air Invitational, La Quinta, CA
- 2004 – La Petite XI Exhibition, Alder Gallery, Coburg, OR
- 2004 – California Art Club, Women's City Club, Fall Exhibition, Pasadena, CA
- 2004 – Oil Painters of America 13th National Exhibition, Kirkland, WA
- 2004 – Two-person Chicago Exhibition, 30 paintings, The Studios at Long Grove, Long Grove, IL
- April 2004 - Plein Air Invitational, Wilmington, NC, **Best of Show**
- 2003 – Solo Exhibition, "Homecoming", 31 paintings, Up North Fine Art, Lindstrom, MN
- December 2003 – Oil Painters of America Midwest Regional Exhibition of Traditional Oils, Chicago, IL, **Award of Excellence**
- 2003 – American Artists Professional League's 75th Grand National Exhibition at the Salmagundi Club, New York, NY, **Gardin Sawyer Memorial Award**
- 2003 – National Academy of Professional Plein Air Painters NY Paintout, New York, NY, **Best of Show**
- 2003 – National Academy of Professional Plein Air Painters NY Paintout, New York, NY, **Artists' Choice Award**
- November 2003 – Salmagundi Club - American Artists Professional League 75th Grand National Exhibition, New York, NY
- November 2001 – Salmagundi Club - American Artists Professional League 73rd Grand National Exhibition, New York, NY
- October 2001 – National Arts Club - Catherine Lorillard Wolfe Art Club 105th Annual Exhibition, New York, NY
- September 2001 – Arts for the Parks Top 100 - Jackson, WY
- Summer 1995 (2 person) – New Masters Gallery, Minneapolis, MN
- 1991-1993 – ongoing 3 artist gallery - Pettis and Wirkkula Arts, Osceola, WI
- 1984 - 1985 (3 person) – Elayne Galleries, three events, St. Louis Park, MN
- 1977 - 1979 – Atelier Lack, Minneapolis, MN

MAJOR COMMISSIONS

- 2016-2017 – Commissioned by Dakota County Technical College, Rosemount, MN
- 2015 - Commissioned by Dakota County Technical College, Rosemount, MN
- 2000 – Commissioned to paint the original for the Wisconsin State Park System's Centennial Commemoration Print

MAJOR COMMISSIONS, cont.

- 1996 – Commissioned by the Swedish Jubilee Committee to do the official print for the sesquicentennial of the mass emigration from Sweden to the United States - Presented personally to the King and Queen of Sweden
- 1980-2000 – Commissioned by various publishers (including Northern Promotions in Aitkin, MN) to produce paintings for reproduction, including 24 signed, limited edition prints, 10 open editions, 6 porcelain plates, and 30 original copperplate etchings

ACHEIVEMENTS

- 1996-Current – Owner and director of Mary Pettis Galleries, studio school and gallery in Taylors Falls, MN
- 1991-1993 – Co-owner of Pettis & Wirkkula Arts studio gallery, Osceola, WI

BOOKS, PUBLICATIONS & FILMS

- June 2017 – Featured Article “Seeing Music, Feeling Beauty”, Fine Art Today, Streamline Publishing
- May 2017 - Fine Art Connoisseur's "Off the Wall" Upcoming Exhibitions Profile, Streamline Publishing
- May/June 2017 – Minnesota Orchestra's Showcase Magazine “music and more: the OH+ experience”
- February 2017 - Fine Art Today's Portrait of the Week section, "Pure Joy and Character" article, Fine Art Connoisseur
- February/March 2017 - Plein Air Magazine's Artist Profile "The Next Level is Having Something to Say", Streamline Publishing
- February 2017 - Informed Collector's Featured Artist, FASO's Fine Art Views
- January 2017 – Plein Air Today podcast, "Painting What Moves Your Soul" with Mary Pettis and Eric Rhoads, Streamline Publishing
- September 2016 – Oil Painters of America's Blog "Contemplating on Gradation", blog entry by Mary Pettis
- August 2016 – Featured Artwork, Outdoor Painter e-newsletter published by Plein Air Magazine
- June 2016 - Common Ground Season 8 Preview, Public Television interview
- June 2016 – “The Veil of the Soul - Seeing Beneath the Surface” article, Artists on Art, Streamline Publishing
- May 2016 – Oil Painters of America's Blog "Are We There Yet?", blog entry by Mary Pettis
- March/April 2016 – Fine Arts Connoisseur "Today's Masters" section, "A Window on Life" article by Max Gillies
- March 2016 - Featured artist in PleinAir Collector e-newsletter published by Plein Air Magazine
- December 2015 - Featured artist in OutdoorPainter e-newsletter published by Plein Air Magazine
- September 2015 – Featured artist, in Fine Art Today e-newsletter published by Fine Art Connoisseur
- August 2015 – "Catalog of Selected Works by Mary Pettis, Expressive Realist", ©2015, Blurb Publishing
- August 2015 – Featured artist in Fine Art Today e-newsletter published by Fine Art Connoisseur
- April 2015 - Featured artist and artwork in The Artist's Road "Voices of Experience" interview
- December 2014 – Featured Artist, 2013-2014 ARC Salon Finalist section in Fine Arts Connoisseur

BOOKS, PUBLICATIONS & FILMS, cont.

- 2014 – Artist and artwork included in commemorative mini book: Maui Plein Air Painting Invitational 2014 by MPAPI, Blurb Publishing
- June 2014 – Featured Artist, Midwest Destination section in American Art Collector
- May/June 2014 – Fine Arts Connoisseur "Today's Masters" section, selected by editors to be included in "A Bouquet for Spring" article
- 2014 – Cover and documented in a full-chapter feature Profiles in Passion Volume 1: Artists & Artisans by Buz Swerkstrom, CreateSpace Independent Publishing
- October 2013 – ValleyWire entertainment/news magazine, feature article
- 2013 – National Park Service video – St. Croix National Scenic Riverway
- 2013 – Common Ground Documentary (judge, Grand Marais Plein Air Invitational)
- October 2009 - Featured Artist – "En Plein Air", Women Inc Magazine
- 2008 – Documented in a full-chapter feature in the book Polk County Places by Buz Swerkstrom, Full court Press, Atlas, WI
- Spring 2008 – Featured Artist, online publication, Create Better Paintings, "Spring Painting Tips"
- June 2005 – Featured Artist, Modern Masters section in Plein Air Magazine
- Fall 2003 – American Artist Magazine, National Academy of Professional Plein Air Painters News
- 2001 – Cover artist Saving the River by Helen McCann White and James Taylor Dunn, ©2001, ISBN: 0-9617292-1-X
- Newspaper Articles and spotlights include The Milwaukee Journal, The St. Paul Pioneer Press, The Superior Evening Telegram, The Eau Claire Leader/Telegram, Maui News, The Osceola Sun, The Country Messenger, and many others

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- American Impressionist Society, Signature Member
- Art Renewal Center
- American Society of Marine Artists, Signature Member
- Northeast Minneapolis Arts Association
- Oil Painters of America
- Outdoor Painters of Minnesota
- Salmagundi Art Club

GALLERY AFFILIATIONS

- Studio Gallery #366, The Northrup King Building, Minneapolis, MN
- Palms Gallery, Kauai, HI
- The Village Galleries, Maui, HI