

# NANCY THOMPSON

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## Curriculum Vitae

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### EDUCATION AND CREDENTIALS

**MFA in Integrated Visual Arts**, 2008 – College of Design, Iowa State University, Ames, IA

*Thesis: "Ode to The Whiterock Conservancy" – a literary and visual exploration of the relationship and similarities between visual and musical arts and how these relationships affect personal interpretation of color, form, and tone. Published by ProQuest Information and Learning Company, with a copy housed at Iowa State University Parks Library.*

**BFA in Painting and Printmaking**, 2001 – College of Design, Iowa State University, Ames, IA

**Studio Drawing and Painting** – Des Moines Area Community College, Ankeny, IA

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY, Ames, IA

August 2005 to May 2008

**Instructor, College of Design**, 2005 – 2008 (*concurrent with graduate studies*)

Provided instruction and guidance primarily to freshman students, for two required courses, Design Studies - Foundation Drawing and ArtIS - Color. Planned and prepared syllabus and conducted classes through lecture, studio work, in-class presentations, demonstrations, discussions, and personal mentoring in line with established curriculum. Gathered and organized teaching materials. Supported, advised, critiqued, and recorded student coursework and progress. Collaborated with administrators and other faculty. Maintained and encouraged artistic and academic integrity and compliance with department policies.

- Demonstrated high-level of skills and maturity to become the first graduate student to be afforded the opportunity to teach Design Studies 131 to incoming freshman students.
- Received teaching award for extraordinary performance in 2006.
- Statistical averages of student evaluations are typically above 4.5 on a scale of 1-5.
- Students provided positive feedback through written evaluations applauding my performance and commending my ability to elicit previously untapped talents and abilities.
- Dedicated to advising students, enriching learning experiences, and providing most fulfilling, effective, and respectful learning environment, process and outcome for each student

IOWA STATE MEMORIAL UNION, Ames, IA

July to August 2006

**Intern, Fine Art Collection and Lending Library**

Cataloged art collection, changed out displays in meeting rooms, and installed several art shows in gallery rooms. Ensured proper care, treatment and maintenance of collection and enabled security systems.

- Gained valuable skills in matting, framing, and preparing select pieces for and hanging and display installation.

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## **ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE**

ART AND PHOTO STUDIO, Ames, IA

### **Artist / Photographer**

Oversee all aspects of operations and production. Lead growth of business through effective networking, client solicitation, marketing and sales, budget / cost management, excellence in customer service, and contract negotiations. Successfully apply and customize highly trained and well-practiced artistic, production, and technical talents and skills to meet the specific requirements of each client and assignment.

- Deliver superior service that ensures customer satisfaction and ongoing referral business.

## **MEDIUMS AND TECHNICAL PROFICIENCIES**

Exceptional skill and experience in pencil, charcoal, conté, pastel, oil pastel, oil bar, ink, acrylic paint, oil paint, and watercolor paint.

Technical proficiency with digital SLR cameras, including photo editing with Adobe Photoshop. MS Office Suite (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook), CS3, Mac OS, and Windows XP and Vista.

## **SELECTED JURIED EXHIBITIONS**

- 2009:** Iowa State Fair Fine Art Exhibition Juried Art Show, Des Moines, IA  
Iowa Exhibited XXIV juried art show, Heritage Art Gallery, Des Moines, IA
- 2008:** Octagon's 2008 Community of Artists Exhibition juried art show, Ames IA  
Iowa State Fair Fine Art juried art show, Des Moines IA
- 2007:** Iowa State Fair Fine Art Exhibition juried art show, Des Moines IA  
Focus Student Juried Art Show, Memorial Union, Ames IA  
39th Annual Octagon Clay, Fiber, Paper, Glass, Metal, Wood, National Juried Show, Ames, IA
- 2006:** Studies in Creativity Juried Art Show, Memorial Union, Ames, IA  
Iowa State Fair Fine Art Exhibition Juried Art Show, Des Moines, IA  
Heartland Artist Exhibition National Juried Art Show, Merriam KS
- 2005:** Iowa State Fair Fine Art Exhibition Juried Art Show, Des Moines, IA  
Studies in Creativity Juried Art Show, Memorial Union, Ames, IA  
Heartland Artist Exhibition National Juried Show, Merriam KS
- 2003:** Iowa State Fair Fine Art Exhibition Juried Art Show, Des Moines, IA
- 2002:** Cultural Art Center National Juried Show, Douglasville, GA  
Iowa State Fair Fine Art Exhibition, Des Moines, IA
- 2001:** Cultural Center National Juried Art Show, Douglasville, GA  
Iowa State Fair Fine Art Exhibition Juried Art Show, Des Moines, IA  
Bi-State 2001 Biennial Art Exhibition Juried Art Show, Davenport, IA
- 2000:** The Octagon's Community of Artists 2000 Exhibit Juried Art Show, Ames, IA  
Iowa State Fair Fine Art Exhibition Juried Art Show, Des Moines, IA  
Heartland Artist Exhibition National Juried Art Show, Merriam, KS
- 1997:** Annual Art and Design Student Juried Show, ISU Dept. of Art and Design, Ames, IA

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Art at the Knoll, ISU, Ames, IA

**1996:** Annual Art and Design Student Juried Show, ISU Dept. of Art and Design, Ames, IA  
Art at the Knoll, ISU, Ames, IA

## SOLO AND GROUP SHOWS

**“Ode To The Whiterock Conservancy” MFA Exhibition**, Pioneer Room, Memorial Union, Ames, IA  
Jan.5 – Feb. 10, 2008.

**131 Instructors Exhibit**, Group Show. Gallery in The Round, Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, Ames IA  
Jan. 12 – Mar. 15, 2008

**Mary Greeley Hospital**, Ames, IA, 2006, 2007

**Stomping Grounds**, Ames, IA, 2005

**Artist’s Night**, Gortz Haus Gallery, Grimes, IA, 2005

**Coe’s Flowers**, Ames, IA, 2004

**Featured Artist Exhibit**, Gortz Haus Gallery, Grimes, IA, 2004

**“Iowa Landscapes”** solo show, Hudson River Gallery, Iowa City, IA, 2003

**“Reflections of the Iowa Landscape”** group show, Iowa State Memorial Union, Ames, IA, 2002

**“Shared Visions”** group show, Arts on Grand, Spencer, IA, 1999

**“Shared Visions”** group show, Greene County Medical Center, Jefferson, IA, 1996

## FEATURED IN PUBLICATIONS

1. Campbell, J.R. and Parsons, Jean, “Art Apparel in Transformation,” *Fiberarts Magazine*, Sep/Oct 2005. (Artwork featured in article.)
2. Lohr, C. Kelly, “Surviving Rurally,” *Art Calendar*, Jul/Aug 1998. (One of several artists featured in article.)

## AWARDS

**2009:** First Place, Iowa State Fair Fine Art Juried Art Exhibition, Des Moines IA

**2008:** First Place, Octagon’s Community of Artists Exhibition juried art show, Ames IA

**2007:** Merit Award, Focus Juried Art Show, Ames, IA

Award of Merit, Iowa State Fair Fine Arts Exhibition juried show, Des Moines, IA

**2006:** Merit Award, Studies in Creativity juried show, Ames, IA, 2006

Valerie Kohnen Painting Scholarship, ISU College of Design, Ames, IA

Dean’s Award for Extraordinary Performance, ISU College of Design, Ames, IA

**2005:** Merit Award, Iowa State Fair Fine Art Exhibition, Des Moines, IA

Valerie Kohnen Painting Scholarship, ISU College of Design, Ames, IA

**2004:** Honorable Mention, Iowa State Fair, Painting division

Valerie Kohnen Painting Scholarship, ISU College of Design, Ames, IA

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Honorable Mention, Heartland Artist Exhibition National Juried Show, Merriam, KS

**2002:** Merit Award, Carroll Art Show, Carroll, IA

**2001:** Top Academic Senior, College of Art and Design, ISU, Ames, IA  
Merit Award, Carroll Art Show, Carroll, IA

**1999:** Marjorie S. Garfield Fine Arts Scholarship, ISU Dept. of Art and Design  
Elizabeth Kirk Memorial Award, ISU Dept. of Art and Design,  
Phi Kappa Phi National Honor Society,  
Golden Key National Honor Society

**1998:** Third Place, Iowa Artists State Show, Creston, IA

## **CORPORATE AND PRIVATE COLLECTIONS**

Mary Greeley Hospital, Ames, IA

Southern Beverage Co, Inc., Richland, MS

White Rock Conservancy, Coon Rapids, IA

Dierk and Barbara Halverson, Coon Rapids, IA

Mary Garst, Coon Rapids, IA

## **GALLERY REPRESENTATION**

2001 to Present: Hudson River Gallery and Frame Company, Iowa City, IA

1997 to Present: The Octagon Shop, Ames, IA