

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### EDUCATION

- St. Olaf College, Northfield, MN. BFA in Studio Art, May, 2011
- St Olaf College, Northfield, MN. BS in Biology, May, 2011
- Louisiana State University, LA, MFA Ceramics, May, 2017

### EXPERIENCE

- 2021-Current. Assistant Professor in Ceramics, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville. Edwardsville, IL
- 2019- 2021. Studio Manager, Gallery Coordinator, Resident Artist Supervisor, 323 Clay. Independence, Missouri
- 2018-2019. Lecturer in Ceramics, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale IL
- 2017-2018. Visiting Assistant Professor of Art and Art History, College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, VA.
- 2014-2017. Graduate Teaching Assistantship, LSU, Baton Rouge, LA
- 2013-2014. Resident Artist and Teacher, Carbondale Clay Center, Carbondale, CO
- 2012-2013. Resident Artist and Teacher, Clay Art Center, Port Chester, NY
- 2011-2012. Resident Artist/Teacher, 323 Clay Studio, Independence, MO
- 2007–2011. Ceramics Assistant, Center Street Clay, Steven Hill, Sandwich, IL
- 2007–2011. Ceramics Instructor, Artist-Terra Incognito, Oak Park, IL
- 2008-2010. Ceramics Department Student Technician, St. Olaf College, Northfield, MN
- 2007 Sculpture and Gallery Assistant for Margot McMahon
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### VISITING ARTIST LECTURES AND WORKSHOPS

2023

- Mike Stumbras Workshop*, Green River High School, Green River, WY. National.
- Mike Stumbras Visiting Artist*, Southwestern Illinois College, Belleville, IL. Regional.
- Form and Surface: Finding a Voice in Clay*. A 5-day workshop at the Touchstone Center for Crafts, Farmington, PA. National.
- Mike Stumbras – The Beauty & Horror of Existential Uncertainty*. July 21-23rd at Roadrunner Ceramics, San Antonio, TX. National.
- History, Production, and Practice in Clay*, Dec 7 National Corn-to-Ethanol Research Center (NCERC). Edwardsville, IL. Regional.
- Hood College History of Ceramics Artist Talks*. Virtual Lecture Hood College, Frederic Maryland. National.

-Juror, *Raise a Toast II*. Edwardsville Art Center. Edwardsville, IL. Regional

2022

-Juror, *15th Annual Cup Show: Form and Function*. Gulf Coast State College, Panama City FL. National.

-Dubuque Museum of Art Craft Invitational demonstration. Dubuque, IA. Regional

-*Thanatopsis*. Lecture at Columbia College, Columbia, MO. Regional.

-*Negotiating Galleries and Exhibitions*. Internal lecture series at SIUE for Painting and Professional Development courses. Local.

2021

-*History and Ornament: Constructing and Considering the Functional Ceramic Object with Kate Waltman and Mike Stumbras*. Historic Camden Foundation Symposium, Camden, NC.

-*Artists in Conversation: Conceptions of History*. Curated Exhibition in the Art and Design West Gallery. Edwardsville, IL.

-Untitled Workshop and Lecture at Waubonsee Community College, Waubonsee, IL.

-*The Quintessential Potter's Pot: The Mug*. invited virtual speaker at the Ceramics Congress international conference. National/International.

-HISTORY, PRODUCTION, AND PRACTICE Lecture through the Clay Art Center, Port Chester, NY.

-Workshop, Lecture, Gallery Talk, Northwest Missouri State University, Maryville MO

-Virtual Artist Lecture and Demonstration *Surface and Depth* through The Ceramic School, Kaernten, Austria

-Constructing Multicomponent Forms: Handled Vases with Mike Stumbras online via the Saratoga Clay Arts Center, Saratoga NY

2020

-Visiting Artist Lecture and Demonstration (soda firing workshop) KC Clay Guild, Kansas City, MO

-Considering the Teapot. The Art School at Old Church in Demarest, NJ

-Surface and Dimension: Water Etching and Slip Trailing with Mike Stumbras Pocasin School of Craft, Columbia, NC

-Investigating Surface, The Art School at Old Church in Demarest, NJ

-Online workshop and "Ceramics Congress" through The Ceramic School

-Online First Thursday Demonstration the KC Clay Guild, Kansas City, MO

-Online NCECA Expo Slide Lecture through Eutectic Gallery

-2020 One and Two-Part Molds with Mike 323 Clay, Independence Missouri - Canceled

-March Visiting Artist Lecture and Demonstration "Investigating Ornament", Flux Studio, Denver, CO

-February Visiting Artist Lecture and Demonstration, Carbondale Clay Center, Carbondale, CO

2019

- Visiting Artist Lecture and Demonstration 323 Clay, Independence Missouri
- Visiting Artist Lecture and Demonstration, Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS
- Visiting Artist Lecture and Demonstration, Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville IL
- Visiting Artist Lecture and Demonstration, Hays State University, Hays, KS

2018

- Juror, *Twin Cups*, Missouri Western State University Clay Guild. (statement sans lecture)
- NCECA Gallery Expo with artist talk via the Clay Art Center. Pittsburgh, PA
- Visiting Artist workshop and lecture at 323 Clay, Independence, MO

2017

- Invited lecturer, Nichols State University, Thibodeaux, LA
- Resident Roll Call workshop at the Clay Art Center, Port Chester, NY
- Visiting Artist Workshop and Lecture at the Clay Guild of New York, Westchester, NY

2014

- Public Lecture on "Contemporary Ceramics and Technology" at LSU Gallery in Baton Rouge, LA

2013

- Public Lecture at the Clay Art Center, Port Chester, NY

2012

- Glazing workshop co-taught with Steven Hill, 323 Clay, Independence MO

## RESEARCH HONORS AND AWARDS

2023 Second Place, *Raise a Toast III*, Edwardsville Art Center. National.

2022 First Place, *It's Only Clay 2022*, national exhibition, Watermark Art Center, November, Bemidji, MN

2022 Best in Clay, Edwardsville Art Fair, Edwardsville, IL

2021 3rd Place, *Off Center* international exhibition, Blue Line Arts Center, Roseville, CA

2021 Award of Excellence, Edwardsville Art Fair. Regional.

2019 ICAN 2019 Merit Award. 2019 Workhouse Clay International, Lorton VA

2018 3rd Place, *On The Rocks* Exhibition, national juried exhibition by Pete Pinnell, Pewabic Pottery, Detroit, MI

2017 Finalist for the *Zanesville Prize*, Zanesville, Ohio

2017 Awarded *Emerging Artist* Spotlight, Ceramics Monthly publication

2016 Evening Star Cup Award, nationally juried *Fire and Earth* at the Del Ray Artisans Guild, Alexandria, VA

2106 Jurors Choice Award nationally juried *Elements--Drink Me: cups, mugs, and tumblers* at the Mariani Gallery, University of Northern Colorado

2015 First Place Functional, nationally juried *2015 Nellie Allen Smith Pottery Exhibition*, Cape Fear Studios, Fayetteville, NC

2015 Best in Show, *Tabletop* national juried show The Art League, Alexandria VA

2011 First Place *It's Only Clay* national juried show at the Bemidji Clay Art Center in Bemidji, Minnesota. Juror Simon Levin

## SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2023 *Mike Stumbras Solo Feature* Clay AKAR, Iowa City, Iowa

2022 *Thanatopsis*. Greg Hardwick Gallery, Columbia College, Columbia, MO

2021 *Forward to...* Northwest Missouri State University, Maryville, MO

2021 ARTAXIS solo Feature

2020 Solo feature at the Charlie Cummings Gallery, Gainesville, FL

2018 Solo Exhibition "Sojourn" at the Andrews Gallery, College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, VA

2017 June Solo Exhibition *Immemorial* at Braden-Lee Gallery, Kansas City, MO

2017 April Solo Thesis Exhibition *Oblivion* at the Glassell Gallery, Baton Rouge, LA

2014 solo exhibition *Roche* at the Carbondale Clay Center

2013 solo exhibition *Veneer* at the Clay Art Center in Port Chester, NY

2011 *Threads* BFA thesis show, Northfield, MN

2009 solo exhibition *Letters* at the Kelsey Gallery, Northfield MN

## GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2023

-*Americano Invitational 2023*. Clay AKAR, Clay AKAR, Iowa City, IA. National.

-*Material Mugs VIII*. Companion Gallery, Humboldt, TN. National.

-*The Shape of Now*. Todd Art Gallery, Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro, TN, USA. National

-*Oglebay Institute's Earth and Fire Nationally Juried Exhibition*. The Stifel Fine Arts Center, Wheeling, WV. National.

-*Confluent Traditions*. NCECA Conference, Cincinnati, OH. National Conference.

-*Merge, SIUE/SIUC*. NCECA, Cincinnati, OH. National Conference.

-*Lushly*. The National Council on Education for the Ceramic Arts (NCECA), Cincinnati, Ohio. National Conference.

- *Touchstone Instructors Exhibition*. Touchstone Center for Crafts, Farmington, PA. National.

-*Holidays at the Belger Crane Yard Gallery*. Belger Crane Yard, Kansas City, MO. National.

- Transform*. Schaller Gallery, Baroda, MI. National.
- Outlaws: Higher Education Faculty Working in Ceramics*. Meramec Contemporary Art Gallery. St Louis, MO. Regional.
- Raise a Toast III. Edwardsville Art Center, Edwardsville IL

## 2022

- 24th Annual American Pottery Festival*. Northern Clay Center, Minneapolis, MN. National.
- Winter Invitational Exhibition*. Northern Clay Center, Minneapolis, MN. National.
- Twenty x 5*. Lawrence Art Center, Lawrence, KS. National.
- 15th Annual Cup Show: Form and Function*. The Visual & Performing Arts Division of Gulf Coast State College, Panama City, FL. National
- Waxing, Waning: Taylor Sijan & Mike Stumbras*. Schacht Gallery, Saratoga Clay Arts Center, Schuylerville, NY. National
- DuMA Craft Invitational*. Dubuque Museum of Art, Dubuque, IA, USA. Regional.
- Ceramics Biennial 2022: a National Juried Exhibition*. Guilford Art Center, --Guilford, CT. National.
- Holidays at the Belger Crane Yard Gallery*, " Belger Crane Yard, Kansas City, MO. National.
- The Other Side of Midnight*. Habitat Contemporary, Kansas City, MO. National.
- SIUE Faculty and Alumni Exhibition*, " SIUE Art and Design, Edwardsville, Illinois. Local.
- Raise a Toast II*. Edwardsville Art Center, Edwardsville, IL. National.
- Cut Carve Flute Facet*. Schaller Gallery, Baroda MI. National.
- Vegetabilia*. Schaller Gallery, Baroda MI. National.
- Cup: The Intimate Object XVII*. Charlie Cummings Gallery, St Petersburg, Florida, USA.
- Sweet Things*. Riverside Pottery, Cape Girardeau, Missouri, USA. Regional.
- Adroit*. Schaller Gallery, Baroda, Michigan, USA. National.
- *It's Only Clay 2022*, national exhibition, Watermark Art Center, November, Bemidji, MN

## 2021

- Modern Flux: Genevieve Flynn and Mike Stumbras*. Habitat Contemporary Gallery, Kansas City, Missouri, USA. Regional.
- 47th Annual Old Church Art Show*. Art School of the Old Church, Demarest, New Jersey, USA. National.
- Bounty*. Trish Martindell Gallery at Queen City Clay. National
- Strictly Functional Pottery National*. Lancaster Museum of Art, Lancaster, Pennsylvania, USA. National.
- Artists in Conversation: Conceptions of History*. SIUE Art and Design, Edwardsville, Illinois, USA. Local.
- KC Clay Guild Teabowl National*. Juror: Erica Iman. Kansas City Clay Guild, Kansas City, Missouri, USA. National.

- Ceramic Catalogue Plains Art Museum, Fargo ND
- Virtual NCECA Gallery Expo, Eutectic Gallery
- Former Resident Artists Exhibition, Carbondale Clay Center, Carbondale, CO
- Adroit. Schaller Gallery, Baroda MI
- Yunomi Invitational, Clay AKAR, Iowa City, IA
- Cup: The Intimate Object, Charlie Cummings Gallery, Gainesville, FL
- Last Call V, national exhibition Companion Gallery, Humboldt, TN
- Off Center, international exhibition, Blue Line Arts Center, Roseville, CA

## 2020

- A Shared Passion for Form: Mike Stumbras and Steven Hill. Schaller Gallery, Baroda MI
- Artaxis Fundraising Sale
- 46th Annual Pottery Show and Sale at The Art School at Old Church in Demarest, NJ
- CLAYFEST at the Saratoga Arts Center, Saratoga, NY
- Pairings. at the Carbondale Clay Center, Carbondale, Colorado
- LNK Art Auction, BLM support, Lux Center for the Arts, Lincoln Nebraska
- Dissolution with Kelsey Livingston. Vinsantos Gallery, New Orleans, LA
- Strictly Functional, online exhibition. Lorton, PA
- 7th Central Time Ceramics Bradley University Galleries. Peoria, IL
- Burdens of History. NCECA Annual. Glaive Kocen Gallery, Richmond, VA

## 2019

- Cup 2020 Invitational. Good Earth Pottery, Bellingham, WA
- Americano Exhibition, Clay Akar, Iowa City, IA
- Art of the Pot guest artist with Lisa Orr, Austin TX
- Cup: The Intimate Object XV, Charlie Cummings Gallery, Gainesville, FL
- Animal Instinct Invitational exhibition at the Clay Art Center, Port Chester, NY (upcoming)
- Pairings at the Carbondale Clay Center, Carbondale, Colorado
- Hand-In-Hand, an exhibition at the Clay Art Center, Port Chester, NY
- ICAN 2019 Merit Award. 2019 Workhouse Clay International, Lorton VA
- Art of Clay 2019 National Exhibition, Mark Arts Center, Wichita, KS.
- Off Center: Third Annual International Ceramic Art Competition. Blue Line Arts, Roseville CA.
- Mugshot 2: International Juried Ceramic Mug Competition. 2019 NCECA Conference, Minneapolis, MN
- Adorned, Clay Center of New Orleans, New Orleans, LA

## 2018

- Reinventing the Classics December exhibition at In Tandem Gallery, Bakersville, NC
- June Threadbare duo exhibition with Jeremy Brooks at the Eutectic Gallery, Portland, OR

- New York Ceramics and Glass Fair*. Representation by Ferrin Contemporary
- Hand-In-Hand*, an exhibition at the Clay Art Center, Port Chester, NY
- Invited to *Cup: The Intimate Object XIV*, at the Charlie Cummings Gallery, Gainesville, FL
- Invited to *La Mesa* (June) Exhibition at Santa Fe Clay, Santa Fe, NM
- Pairings* exhibition at the Carbondale Clay Center, Carbondale, CO
- NCECA Gallery Expo with artist talk via the Clay Art Center. Pittsburgh, PA
- Standard Clay gallery exhibition at Pittsburgh NCECA. Representation by Cerebra, Gallery
- 3rd Place, *On The Rocks Exhibition*, national juried exhibition by Pete Pinnell, Pewabic Pottery, Detroit, MI
- The International Cup*, Internationally juried exhibition, The Clay Studio of Missoula, MT

2017

- Invited to Nationally Juried *Containers* exhibition at Three Wheel Studio, Providence RI
- Winter Salon II* at the Cerebra Gallery, Kansas City, MO
- Invited Artist to *Cup: The Intimate Object XIII* at the Charlie Cummings Gallery
- Invited to *CLAY REVIEW*, at the Abernathy Arts Center, Sandy Springs, GA
- Invited to *REWIND*, 60th Anniversary show, Clay Art Center, Port Chester, NY
- Invited to *Pairings* show at the Carbondale Clay Center, Carbondale, CO
- Nichols State University Invitational*, Thibodeaux, LA
- Zanesville Prize for Contemporary Ceramics*, Zanesville, OH
- Beyond the Brickyard* at the Archie Bray, Helena, MT
- The Clay Studio Graduate Student Biennial*, The Clay Studio, Philadelphia

2016

- Invited artist to nationally juried *Annual Cup Show*, Three Wheel Studio, Providence, RI
- Invited to *Locals* exhibition at the Carbondale Clay Center, Carbondale, CO
- Invited to *Pairings* cup show at the Carbondale Clay Center, Carbondale, CO
- Invited to *Generations: A Legacy of Mentorship* exhibition at the Bredin-Lee gallery. NCECA in Kansas City, MO
- 323 Clay Gallery* Exhibition and NCECA in Kansas City, MO
- Evening Star Cup Award, nationally juried *Fire and Earth* at the Del Ray Artisans Guild, Alexandria, VA
- Nationally juried *The Cup, The Mug* show at Main Street Gallery, Clifton NY
- Nationally juried *Cup: The Intimate Object XII*, at the Charlie Cummings Gallery, online
- Nationally juried *Strictly Functional Pottery National*, at Kevin Lehman's Pottery, Lancaster, PA
- Internationally juried *Cheers* at Medalta, Medicine Hat, AB
- Nationally juried *Last Call* show at the Companion Gallery, Humboldt, TN
- Nationally juried *Working Pots* James May Gallery, Algoma, Wisconsin

-*Twin Cups*, a nationally juried show at Missouri Western State University.  
-Jurors Choice Award. nationally juried *Elements--Drink Me: cups, mugs, and tumblers*  
at the Mariani Gallery, University of Northern Colorado

-NCECA national juried student show at the Leedy-Voulkos Gallery, Kansas City, MO  
2015

-*Holiday Invitational Exhibition* at the Carbondale Clay Center, in Carbondale, CO  
-*La Vie Rouge* Exhibition, Glassell Gallery, Baton Rouge, LA  
-*9th annual Yunomi Invitational Show* at the AKAR Gallery, Iowa City, IA  
-Invited to exhibit at the *Gallery Expo* at NCECA for the Clay Art Center, Providence, RI  
-Invited to *Pairings* exhibition and event at the Carbondale Clay Center, CO  
-Invited to *History in the Making* exhibition at the Carbondale Clay Center, CO  
-Nationally Juried *Annual Teapot Show* at Three Wheel Studio in Providence, RI  
-First Place Functional, nationally juried *2015 Nellie Allen Smith Pottery Exhibition*,  
Cape Fear Studios, Fayetteville, NC

-Best in Show, *Tabletop* national juried show The Art League, Alexandria VA  
-Nationally juried *Twin Cups! National Ceramics Exhibition 2015*, MWSU Clay Guild,  
-Nationally juried *Off the Table!: National Ceramics Exhibition 2015*, Missouri Western  
State University, MO

2014

-*Resilience: The Healing Power of Art* at the Healthcare Gallery in Baton Rouge, LA  
-*Holiday invitational exhibition* at the Carbondale Clay Center  
-*Hand in Hand* Invitational show at the Colorado Mountain College  
-*Tabletop* international juried exhibition at The Art League, Alexandria,VA  
-*Small Favors IX* at The Clay Studio of Philadelphia  
-*Teabowl National* at the KC Clay Guild, Kansas City, MO  
-*Coffee, Tea, Or...3* national juried exhibition at Terra Incognito, Oak Park, IL 2014  
-*Twin Cups* national juried show at Missouri Western University

2013

*Pairings* at the Carbondale Clay Center, Carbondale, CO  
"Indelible" at the Baltimore Clay Works, Baltimore, MD  
*On the Horizon* artist and residence show at the St. Petersburg Clay company, St.  
Petersburg, FL

*Holiday Invitational Exhibition* at the Carbondale Clay Center, in Carbondale, CO  
*Winterfest* invitational at Baltimore Clay Works, Baltimore, MD  
*Behind the Scenes* at the Carbondale Clay Center, Carbondale, CO  
*Invitational Bowl Show* at Studio 550 Art Center in Manchester, NH  
*Duets* invitational at the Clay Art Center, Port Chester, NY



*From The Earth* national juried show at Tri-Lakes Center For The Arts, Palmer Lake, CO  
2012

*Holiday Invitational*. Clay Art Center, Port Chester, NY

Invitational exhibition at Terra Incognito in Oak Park, IL

*Resident Artist Exit Exhibition* at 323clay in Independence, MO

*Holiday Invitational*. KC Clay Guild, Kansas City, MO

SPCC LAST CALL call for entries juried show at St. Petersburg Clay in St. Petersburg FL

*It's Only Clay* national juried show at the Bemidji Clay Art Center in Bemidji, Minnesota.

3rd Biennial "Central Time Ceramics" national juried show at Bradley University  
Galleries

2011

*Artists in Residence* exhibition show at Terra Incognito in Oak Park, IL

*Holiday pottery Invitational* KC Clay Guild, Kansas City, MO

First Place *It's Only Clay* national juried show at the Bemidji Clay Art Center in Bemidji,  
Minnesota.

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-*Surface and Decay* article by Mike Stumbras 2021 NCECA Journal.

-*Ceramicist Mike Stumbras demonstrates his craftsmanship at Northwest* by Kailee Ford of the Northwest Missourian.

-Natasha Anderson, The Laurel of Asheville. "Reinventing the Classics at In Tandem Gallery"

-Mike Stumbras, Author of "radioCHROME" article about radiation colored pottery, Dec 2015 Ceramics Monthly

-*"Reshaping the Pottery World"*, interview for TigerTV and the newspaper The Reville

-*"Molding minds"* article about Mike Stumbras as a teacher written by Brittany Basco, DigBr

-Article *I Made That* Louisiana State University Art and Design Magazine.

-Article "Veneer", about Mike Stumbras in the Westchester Times Tribune 2013

## BIBLIOGRAPHY (published images of my work)

2021 NCECA Catalogue

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*Exposure, Ceramics Monthly, December 2018*

*Exposure, Ceramics Monthly, April 2014*

Published in 500 teapots second edition by Lark Ceramics, 2013

*Exposure, Ceramics Monthly, May 2012*

## **RESEARCH GRANTS RECEIVED/collections**

- 2023 Everson Museum of Art permanent collection acquisition. External grant of \$2500 to the Everson Museum to purchase my work. Sponsored by Sloan Charitable Foundation, Private
- 2021-2023 URCA Undergraduate Research and Creative Activities assistant award. \$750 per semester.

## **Current GALLERY REPRESENTATION**

Eutectic Gallery, Portland OR  
Clay Art Center, Port Chester NY  
In Tandem Gallery Bakersville, NC  
Carbondale Clay Center, Carbondale, CO  
Cerebra Gallery, Kansas City, MO  
The Clay Studio, Philadelphia, PA  
Schaller Gallery, Baroda, MI

## **SERVICE**

### **Department Service**

- Committee Chair, Recruitment Committee. ( 2023 - Present).
- Liaison, Library Liaison. (April 2022 - Present).
- Secretary. Minute Taker, Editor, Faculty Meetings. (2022 - Present).
- Faculty Mentor, Wagner Potters Association Liaison and Volunteer. (2021 - Present).
- Faculty Mentor, Society of Edwardsville Glass Artists and Volunteer. (2023 - Present)
- Maintenance, Replacement, and Repair of Ceramics Equipment. (2021 - Present).
- Merit Committee member. (September 2022 - January 2023).

### **University Service**

- Curriculum Committee Member Subcommittee III. (2022 - Present).

### **Professional Service and Memberships**

- American Craft Council. (December 2021 - Present).
- Member and Juror (peer-reviewed), ARTAXIS. (April 2019 - Present).
- The National Council on Education for the Ceramic Arts. (January 2017 - Present).

-Various nonprofit art donations. (2021 – Present)