

# Beth Grabowski

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# **EDUCATION**

- 1985 MFA University of Wisconsin-Madison Department of Art
- 1978 BA University of Virginia, McIntire Department of Art, with High Distinction
- 1974-1975 University of Virginia School of Architecture

## Professional Development

2006 Center For Creative Leadership, Greensboro NC

# ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Department of Art

- 1995--current **Professor of Art (Zachary Smith Distinguished Term Professor, 2012-2016)** Courses taught: Core Concepts-Image (2-D Foundations), Print Survey, Screen Printing, Intaglio and Relief Printmaking, Book Art, Letterpress, Special Topic in Print (Photo Printmaking, Printstallation) Narrative Sight-Site (FYS), Teaching Practicum (Graduate seminar)
  - 1994-1997 **Bowman and Gordon Gray Associate Professor of Art** *Term professorship for excellence in undergraduate teaching*
  - 1991-1995 Associate Professor
  - 1985-1991 Assistant Professor

## Administrative Appointments

- current **Director of Undergraduate Studies in Studio Art** Leadership and administration of Undergraduate program in Studio Art. Serve on Art Department Executive Committee
- 2013-14 **Undergraduate Adviser and Honors Adviser for Studio Art** Responsible for advising Studio Art Majors pursuing BA, BFA and BFA with Art History Emphasis. Maintain all worksheets and facilitate transition to new curriculum revisions. Advise and facilitate students progress through Senior Honors projects
- 2010-2013 Assistant Chair and Director of Undergraduate Studies for Studio Art Responsible for curriculum development, supervision of Teaching Fellows, general oversight of the Studio program. Work with Director of Graduate Studies and Department Chair on development and strategic planning

## 1996-1999, 2002- Director of Undergraduate Studies in Studio Art

- 2003, 2004-2006, Oversight of undergraduate programs in Studio Art (BA, BFA and BFA with Art History emphasis)
  - 2009-2012 Undergraduate advising. Coordinate with college-level curriculum planning
    - 2008-2009 Assistant Chair and Director of Graduate Studies for Studio Art Responsible for graduate program oversight, graduate advising, graduate admissions.

# 2006 (fall), Assistant Chair

- 2007-08 Responsible for general oversight of the Studio Art program and strategic planning
- 2007 (spring) Interim Chair

Studio Art and Art History programs. Responsible for faculty searches and hiring decisions.

- 2006-07 **Summer School Administrator** Planning, scheduling and hiring instructors for summer course offerings 2001 **Associate Chair for Studio Art / Director of Graduate Studies**
- 2001 Associate Chair for Studio Art / Director of Graduate Studies
- 1994-1997 Assistant Chair for Studio Art / Director of Graduate Studies

## AWARDS/HONORS/FELLOWSHIPS/GRANTS

#### **Professional Awards**

- 1998-2000 Artists Fellowship, North Carolina Arts Council
- 1990-1991 Artists Fellowship, North Carolina Arts Council
  - 1990 La Napoule Residency Program, La Napoule, France, North Carolina Arts Council (declined)
  - 1988-89 Artist's Project Grant, North Carolina Arts Council

#### **University Research Awards**

- 2009-10 **Provost's Award for Creative Activity in the Fine Arts**, To support residencies at Frans Masereel Centrum, Kasterlee Belgium and Tom Blaess Atelier, Bern Switzerland
  - 2008 Academic Leadership Award, UNC Institute for the Arts and Humanities, Chapel Hill, NC
  - 2005 **Provost's Award for Creative Activity in the Fine Arts,** *Kollwitz portfolio and exhibition project see Special Projects*
- 1987, 1989 Research Grants, University Research Council, UNC- Chapel Hill
- 1990, 1996
- 2004, 2005, 2007
  - 2004 Chapman Fellowship, Institute of the Arts and Humanities, UNC-Chapel Hill
  - 2003-04 UNC East and Southeast Asia Course Development Committee Award Carolina Asia Center, in collaboration with Judith Farquhar (Anthropology) to bring Chinese artist Zheng Xuewu to UNC-CH in the Fall of 2004
- Sp, 2004, Sp 2010 Research and Study Leave, Department of Art, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill,
- 1995, 1996, 2000 Lupton Course Development Grants, UNC- Chapel Hill,
- Su 1988, Sp 1994 Fellowship Awards, Institute of the Arts and Humanities, UNC-Chapel Hill
  - 1989 Faculty Development Assignment, Department of Art, UNC-Chapel Hill, Fall.
  - 1988 Junior Faculty Development Award, College Endowment Committee UNC-Chapel Hill Teaching Awards
  - 2012-2016 Zachary Taylor Smith Distinguished Term Professor, UNC-Chapel Hill
    - 2000 UNC-Chapel Hill Academy of Distinguished Teachers and Scholars, UNC-Chapel Hill
    - 1994-97 **Bowman and Gordon Gray Professorship for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching**, UNC-Chapel Hill
      - 1992 **Johnston Teaching Award**, Excellence for inspirational teaching of undergraduate students, UNC-Chapel Hill
  - 1984-1985 Teaching Assistantship, University of Wisconsin–Madison
    - 1984 **School of Education Assigned Fellowship**, University of Wisconsin–Madison *Graphics Area Nominee*

#### Residencies

- May, 2010 Tom Blaess Atelier, Bern Switzerland
- April, 2010 Frans Masereel Centrum, Kasterlee, Belgium
- April, 2003 Getty Artist-in Residence, Colorado College
  - 1987 **Tamarind Institute**, Albuquerque, NM. Research in plate lithography.
- August, 1989 Peacock Printmakers Workshop; Aberdeen, Scotland
- 1980-1981 McGuffey Art Center, Charlottesville, VA

# **EXHIBITION RECORD**

## Solo and 2-Person Exhibitions

- 2015 Minor Miracle, Horace Williams House, Chapel Hill, NC
- 2013 Recent Work, Beth Grabowski and Mike Sonnichsen, SuperGraphic, Durham, NC
- 2006 Nostomanic, Shaw Center for the Arts, Louisiana State University

#### Invitational and Group Shows

2016 8th International Printmaking Biennial of Douro, Câmara Municipal de Alijó, Alijo Portugal

(forthcoming)

- 2015 2nd Global Print Exhibition, Alijó, Portugal (forthcoming) Wonder Women, Knoxville Convention Center, Knoxville, TN
- 2014 Feel the D, Artists Respond to Detroit, Re:View Contemporary Gallery, Detroit, MI Art from the Big Four, Lee Hansley Gallery, Raleigh, NC Triangle Book Art Group Show, Daylight Project Space, Hillsborough, NC Re/Appropriate, Market Street Gallery, San Francisco, CA, March
- 2013 Code-X, Carrack Gallery, Durham, NC Digital Luminaries, University of Wisconsin- Milwaukee, PSOA Kenilworth Square East Wonder Women, Gallery 218 Milwaukee, WI
- 2012 Fusion-International Contemporary Intaglio Print Invitation, China Artists Association, Shenzhen Federation of Literary and Art Circles, Guanlan, China. Curated by Jiang Lu: Director of Printmaking Committee of China Artists Association; President, Tianjin Academy of Fine Arts Awesome Printmakers, (traveling exhibition) Turku Art Museum, Turku, Finland
- 2011 Dixie Icons Firehouse Gallery, Atlanta GA Awesome Printmakers United, Portfolio, Washington University, St Louis, MO Traveling Venues: Chadron State College, Chadron, NE
- 2010 Zou Ba, Handwerker Gallery, Ithaca College, Ithaca, NY A Survey of Contemporary Printmaking, East Carolina University, Greenville, NC (co-curator) in conjunction with Print Summit Etched and Pulled, Roy C. Moore Art Gallery, Gainesville State College, Oakwood, GA Traveling venue: Vanderbilt University Reunion, Philagrafika, Crane Arts Building, Philadelphia, PA Traveling venue: Idaho State University, John B. Davis Gallery The Print Fantastic, National Print Invitation, TAG Galleries, High Point, NC 2009 A Book About Death, Emily Harvey Foundation Gallery, New York, NY Contemporary Printmaking, Dapu Artist Work Center Gallery, Beijing China Sketchbook to Suspension, Mitchell Gallery, St. John's College, Annapolis, MD Due Process, Gallery 5, Richmond, VA, March 2009 International Print Biennial, Guanlan China. Organized by China Artists Association Shenzhen Federation of Literary and Art Circles, Shenzhen Bao'an District People's Government Vox Pop Portfolio, Columbia College Library, Chicago IL International Portfolio The Birth Experience, (see 2007) Traveling venues: Handwerker Gallery, Ithaca College, Ithaca, NY, Centre for International Health, Dalla Lana School of Public Health, University of Toronto, Canada Zou Ba, Navarro Lobby Gallery, Southwest School of Art and Craft, San Antonio TX 2008 Perfect with Pixel, Dorothy Uber Bryan Gallery, Bowling Green State University, OH Print by Numbers, Digital Prints, Richmond, VA Discovery: The Tradition of New Tools, SUNY Potsdam, Potsdam, NY International Portfolio The Birth Experience, (see 2007) Traveling venues: Clinton House's Mural Lounge Gallery, Ithaca, NY Tucker Cooke Gallery, University of North Carolina, Ashville, NC 20/20, The Art of Contemporary University Printmaking, Firehouse Gallery, Louisville GA Zou Ba, Prints from China, Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA **Rivalry** Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA Printed, Green Hill Center for Art, Greensboro, NC
  - Identity The Ink Shop Print Center, Ithaca NY
- 2007 Prints Pow Wow; a Conversation in Print, Turchin Center for the Visual Arts, Boone, NC 5th Graphic Biennial, Novosibirsk State Art Museum, Novosibirsk, Russia. Practicing Contemporaries, UNC Faculty Exhibition, Ackland Art Museum, Chapel Hill, NC International Portfolio The Birth Experience, International Print Exchange, Paragon Studios Project Space, Belfast, Northern Ireland 2007 China Sanbao International Printmaking Exhibition, Sanbao Ceramics Institute, Jingdezhen, China.

Heroes, Bryce's Barbershop, Olympia, WA,

Dashangzi Art Festival, Huan Tie International Arts Center, Beijing, China International Print Biennial, Guanlan China. Organized by China Artists Association, Shenzhen Federation of Literary and Art Circles, Shenzhen Bao'an District People's Government Echo, Kansas City Art Institute, Traveling venues: Grand Valley State University, Allendale, MI

# **COLLABORATIVE PRINT PORTFOLIOS**

- 2015 Passing from Here to There; organized by Melanie Yazzie, University of Colorado
- 2013 **Digital Luminaries**, organized by Deborah Cornell, Boston University **Wonder Women**, organized by Lenore Thomas, University of Pittsburgh
- 2012 *Navigating Currents*, organized by Charles Beneke, University of Akron and Sarah Whorf, Humboldt State University
- 2011 Awesome Printmakers United, organized by Melanie Yazzie, University of Colorado
- 2010 Images 1990 Reunion, organized by Kathryn Maxwell, Arizona State University
- 2009 Vox Pop, organized by Elizabeth Klimek, Corcoran School of Art, Washington, DC
- 2008 Print By Numbers, organized by Shaurya Kumar, Ball State University Zou Ba, print exchange by participants in the Sanbao International Print Symposium Discovery: The Tradition of New Tools, organized by Diane Fine, SUNY, Pottsdam Rivalry, Organized by John Thomas, Florida State University
- 2007 *Prints Pow Wow*, Organized by April Flanders, Appalachian State University *Echo*, Organized by Bill Hosterman, Grand Valley State University

## **PUBLICATIONS**

## **Authored Books**

- 2009 **Printmaking, A Complete Guide to Materials and Processes**, coauthored with Bill Fick (Duke University) Laurence King Publishing, London. *In addition to the two English language versions, the book has also been released in French - Eyrolles Press, Spanish- Blume Publishers, German - Dumont. Polish- Universitas Press, and Chinese. Second edition under contract, forthcoming Summer 2015*
- 1991 A Printshop Handbook, McGraw-Hill Publishers. 155 pages (out of print)

#### **Essays and Technical Articles**

- 2012 Bitter/Sweet, Contemporary Impressions journal, discussion of my work
- 2011 Print and the Paradox of Nostalgia, Print Summit Exhibition, Catalog essay
- 1999 *Made in the Midwest, Walter Hamady's 6451 Students*, WUSTUM Museum of Art, Racine, WI. *Catalog essay*
- 1987 **Deletions on Photographic Plates**, Tamarind Technical Papers, Vol. 10, No. 2, pp. 82-83 Discussion of research by Lynne Allen

## **SPECIAL PROJECTS**

#### Curatorial

- 2014 Print Cabinet; inaugural exhibition for the SGC International online virtual exhibition
- 2010 **Survey of Contemporary Printmaking**, East Carolina University *Co-curator (with Bill Fick, Rocky Toner, Matt Rebholtz and RL Tilman) 100+ piece exhibition*
- 2004-2005 **Hommage a Käthe Kollwitz**, An international portfolio and exhibition of work by 25 contemporary print artists in tribute to Käthe Kollwitz. Shown at the Kollwitz Museum-Berlin, Germany, in conjunction with the IMPACT international Printmaking Conference, Berlin, Germany and Poznan, Poland. Sponsored by a UNC-CH Provost's Award for Creative Activity in the Fine Arts

## Collaboration

- October, 2009 **Choco** Work with UNC Institute of Latin American studies to host Cuban printmaker, Eduardo Salazar, aka "Choco" for a 1-month residency in the John C. Henry Print Studio. *Produced collagraph prints and facilitated two collagraph workshops* 
  - May, 2007 International Printmaking/Ceramics Collaboration, a collaboration with traditional

Chinese Ceramics masters, Jingdezhen, China

- 2005 **Zheng Xuewu** Visiting artist from China, produced prints and facilitated residency.
- 2001, 2004 **Print Subscription Program** Work with visiting artists/printmakers to produce print editions to benefit the UNC Art Department. Artists: Randy Bolton, Nori Sato
- 1988, 1993, 1996, Collaborative printing with UNC Artists-in-Residence Dana Duff, John O'Buck, Mary Jones,
  1998 Rochelle Schicoff. During the years when the Art Department had semester-long visiting artists, I collaborated with several artists to produce print images.

## **OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

## Keynote Speaking engagements, Conference Presentations and Panel Discussions:

- March, 2015 **Bradley University**, Peoria II; Lecture on contemporary printmaking in conjunction with the Bradley International exhibition
  - 2013 Printmaking Center of New Jersey; keynote address at the PCNJ 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, Presentation: *The Affordances of Printmaking* Print MKE; 2013 SGC International conference, Milwaukee, WI, Panel with Professor Beauvais Lyons (UT-Knoxville), *Theories of Making*
- March 2012 Navigating Currents: 2012 SGCI conference, New Orleans, LA. Panel on Contemporary Printmaking, Presentation: *Print and the Paradox of Nostalgia*
- October 2010 Print Summit, East Carolina University, Survey of Contemporary Art Exhibition, Panel
- May, 2007 2007 International Printmaking Symposium, Jingdezhen Sanbao Ceramic Art Institute
- November, 2006 **Women and Creativity,** Panelist/discussant on concurrent exhibition at the Louisiana Museum of Art: Paths to the Press: Printmaking and American Women Artists, 1910-1960
  - April, 2006 **Genetic ImPrint** Southern Graphics Council, Madison, WI Session: Rhizome Theory and Print Pedagogy, panel chair, Anita Jung, UT-Knoxville
- September, 2005 **IMPACT** Printmaking conference, Käthe-Kollwitz-Museum Berlin, Berlin, Germany Discussion of the Exhibition: A Tribute to Käthe Kollwitz, with Dr. Gudrun Fritsch, curator

#### Workshops:

- July, 2013 **Supergraphic**, Durham, NC, Collagraph
- August, 2005 Women's Studio Workshop, Photo Collagraph
- June, 2004 Penland School of Craft, Book Arts for Teachers
- June, 1998 Penland School of Craft, Alternative Printmaking

## **Visiting Artist**

\* denotes working residency to produce prints in collaboration with students and faculty

- March, 2014 Kansas City Art Institute\*, Lecture on my recent work, class critiques, collagraph workshop
- February 2013 University of Iowa, Lecture and graduate studio critiques
- February, 2011 University of Tennessee\*, Lecture: Print and the Paradox of Nostalgia, studio visits
- January, 2011 University of Michigan\*, Lecture: Print and the Paradox of Nostalgia, studio visits
- March 2007 Cranbrook Art Institute, Bloomfield Hills, MI Lecture on recent work

# **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

## **Professional Organization Service**

## SGC International

With over 2000 members, SGCI is the largest professional organization of print artists, affiliate professionals and enthusiasts in the world. Initiatives during my term as president: moving the organization's archive to the Zuckerman Museum of Art at Kennesaw State University (Atlanta area), revised organizational structure and website, virtual print exhibitions, SGCI Journal (Graphic Impressions), Conferences in Milwaukee and San Francisco.

- Board of Directors nominating committee, 2015-16
- *Ex-officio* president and board member, 2014-16
- President, 2012-14
- Vice President 1994-1997
- Chair, Board of Directors Nominating Committee, 2005

Printmaker Emeritus Nominating Committee, 1998

American Print Alliance, Southern Graphics Council liaison 1998-2001

## **Conference Organization**

- Fall 2012 Print Dialogue Days, UNC-Chapel Hill Print Studios, DIY Printmaking and print animation screening. A program of the American Print Alliance, with Mike Sonnichsen (UNC) and Bill Fick (Duke)
- 2008, 2010 and Visualizing Human Rights Anti-Conference, Center for Global Initiatives, UNC-CH Responsible for
- 2011, 2012, 2013 developing and coordinating participatory projects for conference-goers. Projects have included T-shirt printing (2008), the creation of a 8' x 32' "Human Rights wall" (2010) and an interactive digital project called **Imposition** (2011) Served on the VHR advisory planning group for 2012 and 2013.

## **Advisory and Review**

- 2012 College Board AP Portfolio Advisory Colloquium, Chicago, IL
- 2009-2011 Savannah College of Art and Design, External Advisory Board, Atlanta campus
  - 1999 Louisiana State University, School of Art, Site Review

## **External Tenure/Promotion Reviews**

I have participated in over 25 promotion and tenure reviews. Institutions include Vanderbilt, Wellesley College, Penn State, University of Georgia, University of Iowa, Adelphi University, Virginia Commonwealth University, Oklahoma State, University of Tennessee, UNC-Charlotte, UNC Asheville, University of Maryland, University of Texas-Austin, among others

## **Juror Activity**

- March 2015 Student International Print Show (SIPS), El Minia University, Cairo Egypt. Juror.
- January 2015 35th Bradley International Print and Drawing Exhibition, juror. Bradley University, Peoria, IL
- October 2013 Durham Arts Council, Prints/Mixed Media judge for the 2013-2014 Emerging Artists Grant program, Durham Arts Council
- September, 2011 Atlanta Biennial Print Exhibition, Atlanta Printmakers Guild
  - October, 2009 City Art Show, Blue Ridge Council for the Arts, Roanoke, VA
  - June, 2009 Pee Dee Regional Exhibition, Florence Museum of Art, Florence, South Carolina, juror
  - Fall, 2007 ArtSpace, Sideshow, Printmaking exhibition
- February, 2005 Through Women's Eyes, By Women's Hands, project for the NC Women's Center, juror **Other Lectures / Panel Presentations / Demonstrations:**
- September, 2011 Ackland Art Museum, "Lunch with One", discussion of prints in Carolina Collects exhibition
  - July, 2009 Ackland Art Museum, "Lunch with One", discussion of Aldwyth exhibition
  - May, 2007 International Print Symposium, Sanbao Ceramics Institute, Jingdezhen China

# DEPARTMENTAL AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE

## **UNC Art Department Service**

In addition to the responsibilities associated with administrative appointments, I have served on almost every committee that the department has. This includes Faculty search committees, personnel committees at all levels, Undergraduate and Graduate programs, Intellectual Life (lecture series and gallery exhibitions). I have initiated protocols for training and supervision of Graduate Teaching Fellows and mechanisms for running undergraduate awards competitions. I have served as Undergraduate Adviser and have coauthored two Self-Studies and Strategic Plan documents for the Studio program. Significant work in curriculum development.

## University Service, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

- 2014-16 Office of Undergraduate Research, Advisory board
- 1987-89, 2011-14 UNC Faculty Council, member, Fine Arts Division representative
  - 2013, 2012 Office of Undergraduate Research, presentation on Creative Research for SURF orientation
  - 2008-2010 University Research Council, Review committee for Humanities and Fine Arts
    - 2006 **Difficult Dialogues Initiative** Faculty participant in preliminary working groups

#### 2002-2003 Curriculum Review Committee, "Committee V" - Visual and Performing Arts

2004-2005 **SACS Accreditation Subcommittee on Curricular Innovation and Quality Enhancement** *Responsible for introducing Maymester initiative* 

# **COMMUNITY OUTREACH/SERVICE**

#### **K-12 Collaborative Projects**

Since 1995, I have worked with several area schools as a visiting artist to assist teachers with integrating visual arts in to the curriculum. Most projects involve Book Arts. Projects have ranged from working with 2nd and 3rd graders learning about Native American history and contemporary issues to an oral history project which brought middle school students together with elders from an area Senior Center. All of the projects have been developed in collaboration with lead teachers. While curricular goals are always kept in mind, these projects have transcended their pedagogical function to be true highlights of learning and community for all involved. To date, I have been involved with 14 such endeavors, which generally encompass 4-6 weeks of collaboration

#### **Book Art Workshops**

Developed for area elementary and secondary school teachers. June 2000, 2004 Staff Development Community Independent School, May 1999, Duke School. NC Center for the Advancement of Teaching, Cullowhee, NC - 2004, Penland School of Craft, 2004

#### **Graphic Design**

Pro bono design work for area schools and non-profits: Learning Outside, affiliate of the Triangle Land Conservancy (branding and advertising,) Community Independent School (advertising and promotional materials), Duke School (advertising and promotional materials), Smith Middle School, Chapel Hill High School (Performing Arts)

#### **Local Arts Organizations**

Triangle Book Arts, member and steering committee

## **Donations of Artwork**

Regular annual donations of artworks to support area non-profit organizations: Women's Center, ARC of Orange County, Triangle Land Conservancy, area schools and others