

# BETSY JO TIMMER

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## EDUCATION

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- 2005 -2008            University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS  
Master of Fine Arts with an emphasis in expanded media, *honors*
- 1999-2003            Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI  
Bachelor of Fine Arts with an emphasis in painting, *summa cum laude*

## AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS

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- 2008                    School of Fine Arts Career Opportunity Award, University of Kansas
- 2007                    Daniel MacMorris Scholarship, University of Kansas
- 2006                    Beatrice Bonine Scholarship, University of Kansas  
Ada Bechtel Heuser Scholarship, University of Kansas  
Hollander Family Foundation Scholarship, University of Kansas
- 2005                    Daniel MacMorris Scholarship, University of Kansas
- 2003                    School of Fine Arts Art Star Award, Western Michigan University
- 2002                    Eleanor DeVries Award, Western Michigan University
- 2001                    Semester abroad studying at Salzburg College, Salzburg, Austria
- 1999-2003            Dean's List, Western Michigan University  
Member of Lee Honors College, Western Michigan University
- 1999                    Medallion Scholarship, Western Michigan University

## SOLO EXHIBITIONS & 2 PERSON SHOWS

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- 2009    *Recent Work - Betsy Timmer - Arts Incubator, Kansas City, MO (September)*  
*I'll Show You Mine... Betsy Timmer & Tom Witzofsky - Base Gallery, Kansas City, MO*
- 2008    *Embodiment - MFA Thesis Exhibition - Art & Design Gallery, University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS*  
*Recent Works by Betsy Timmer & Yuri Zupanic - B Gallery, Kansas City, MO*

- 2006 *Everyday Ingredients - Works by Betsy Timmer* - Olive Gallery, Lawrence, KS  
*Pins & Needles: Betsy Timmer & Ann Maree Walker* - Living Arts Center, Tulsa, OK
- 2005 *Everyday Ingredients - Recent Works by Betsy Timmer* - ARC Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2003 *Pale Preoccupations, a BFA Thesis Exhibition* - South Gallery, WMU, Kalamazoo, MI

## SELECTED JURIED & GROUP EXHIBITIONS

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- 2009 6 x 6 - The Bourgeois Pig, Lawrence, KS\*\*
- 2008 *Unsung* - Lawrence Art Center, Lawrence, KS\*\*  
*Olio* - Red Door Gallery, Kansas City, MO  
*Swap Meet* - Wichita State University, Wichita, KS  
*Body/Object* - 6 Gallery, Lawrence, KS  
*42<sup>nd</sup> Annual National Drawing & Small Sculpture Show* - Del Mar College, Corpus Christi, TX\*
- 2007 *Kansas Public Radio Listener Art Show* - KPR Studio, Lawrence, KS\*  
*Graduate Exhibition* - Art & Design Gallery, University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS  
*Rich As Love* - Teller's Restaurant, Third Floor Gallery, Lawrence, KS  
*20"x20"x20": A National Compact Competition* - LSU Union Art Gallery, Baton Rouge, LA \*  
*Scholarship Nomination Exhibition* - Art & Design Gallery, University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS\*
- 2006 *Kansas Collegiate Aesthetics 2006* - Birger Sandzen Memorial Gallery, Lindsborg, KS\*  
*Scholarship Nomination Exhibition* - Art & Design Gallery, University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS\*
- 2005 *Inside the Box: A Shoebox Show* - Parkland Art Gallery, Champaign, IL\*
- 2004 *All Michigan All Media Juried Exhibition 2004* - Rankin Art Gallery, Big Rapids, MI\*
- 2003 *Carnegie Center 2003 Juried Fine Arts Competition* - Carnegie Ctr. for the Arts, Three Rivers, MI\*  
*Print Swap and Group Show* - LO-FI Project Site, Grand Rapids, MI
- 2002 *Three White Girls, three person show* - Rotunda Gallery, WMU, Kalamazoo, MI
- 2001 *Salzburg College Open House, Group Show* - Salzburg College, Salzburg, Austria

\* denotes juried exhibitions \*\* denotes invitational exhibitions

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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- January 2009- Lecturer, Department of Design, University of Kansas, School of Fine Arts  
 May 2009 Classes Taught: Design II- Three Dimensional Design

- August 2008-  
May 2009      Lecturer, Department of Art, University of Kansas, School of Fine Arts  
Classes Taught: Drawing I, Drawing II, Life Drawing I-IV, Conceptual Approaches:  
Body & Drawing
- January 2007-  
May 2008      Instructor of Record/Graduate Teaching Assistant Department of Art, University of  
Kansas, School of Fine Arts  
Classes Taught: Drawing I & Drawing II
- August 2006 -  
December 2006      Graduate Teaching Assistant Department of Art, University of  
Kansas, School of Fine Arts  
Assistant to Professor Cima Katz, Drawing I.

**Teaching Responsibilities:** Planning course curriculum and designing syllabi; creating innovative projects; providing individual and group instruction to students; and evaluating student portfolios and progress throughout the semester.

## RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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- June 2009  
to present      Assistant to the Art Director , Van Go Mobile Arts, Lawrence, KS  
Responsibilities: Teaching and supervising at risk, teenage artist apprentices as they complete commissioned artworks; Demonstrating basic painting techniques; Modeling appropriate work place behaviors and general life skills.
- August 2005  
to present      Independent Contractor for Intrepid Control Systems, Inc., Sterling Heights, MI  
Job: Graphic Design  
Responsibilities: Creating exhibition displays, product packaging, sales documentation, icons, logos, and labels.
- Spring 1999 -  
August 2005      Intrepid Control Systems, Inc., Sterling Heights, MI  
Job: Graphic Design & Sales Support  
Responsibilities: Designed exhibition displays, product packaging, sales documentation, icons, logos, and websites. Created and taught software training courses with lectures and labs for customers. Organized and facilitated

large scale training events on site and at client facilities, Additional responsibilities: Provided reliable customer support via email, phone, and site visits; Generated written sales quotes; Organized business trips; Delivered and assisted sales presentations; and authored product documentation.

## **PUBLIC SPEAKING EXPERIENCE**

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- September 2009 Artist's talk at the Arts Incubator, Kansas City, MO in conjunction with an art exhibition. *(Scheduled, Date TBA.)*
- June 2009 Guest speaker at the Harveyville Project, Harveyville, KS. Talk entitled "Fine Art Applications of Wool Felting".
- September 2008 Guest speaker at the Harveyville Project, Harveyville, KS. Talk entitled "Fine Art Applications of Wool Felting".
- April 2008 Guest speaker in Painting Department at the University of Kansas at the request of Professor Megan McManus. Talk entitled "Voyeurism & Power: Current Work".
- January 2008 Guest speaker in Textiles Department at the University of Kansas at the request of Professor Mary Ann Jordan. Talk entitled "Personal Artistic Development: Creating Content".
- November 2007 Guest speaker at Emporia State University Art Forum, Emporia, KS. Talk entitled "Betsy Timmer: Current Work, Research, and Process".
- November 2007 Guest speaker at Washburn University, Topeka, KS. Talk entitled "Betsy Timmer: Current Work, Research, and Process".
- October 2007 Guest speaker in Professional Activities Seminar at the University of Kansas at the request of Professor Carol Ann Carter. Talk entitled "The Graduate Student Experience".
- January 2007 Guest speaker in Textiles department at the University of Kansas. Talk entitled "Mixed Media Sculpture" with a focus on 3D textile forms.
- June 2006 Guest speaker at Living Arts Center, Tulsa, OK. Talk entitled "Creating Pins & Needles".
- June 2003- August 2005 Speaker at numerous sales presentations and software training events while an employee of Intrepid Control Systems, Inc.

## ADDITIONAL SKILLS

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- Software Skills: Adobe Illustrator, Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Dreamweaver, Microsoft Excel, Microsoft Word, Microsoft PowerPoint, and Microsoft Outlook.
- Able to quickly and easily adapt to software changes and pick up new software skills.
- Able to handle multiple tasks simultaneously.
- Confident prioritizing multiple projects.
- Excellent problem solving and critical thinking skills.
- Works well both independently and in groups.
- Outstanding organizational skills.
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills.
- Experienced and comfortable public speaker.
- Energetic and enthusiastic personality.
- Seasoned and confident traveler.
- Valid driver's license with excellent driving record.