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CAREER SUMMARY

I am an award-winning artist with 30 years of experience navigating the intersection of traditional technique + modern concept. My portfolio, ranging from delicate ink, gouache + watercolor to cutting-edge digital work, is rooted in a rigorous background of design + research. **Recognition:** Two-time recipient of the Spiva Center for the Arts' "Best Landscape or Plein Air" award. **Expertise:** Commissions, team management + research. **Current Focus:** I am currently seeking exhibition opportunities for two new cohesive collections: an immersive **Steampunk series** + a high-concept **Cyberpunk series**.

LINKS

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AWARDS

2026 **2nd Place**
Downtown Joplin Alliance, Joplin, MO
2026 **Selected Artist**
Art: Outside the Box
Electric Wrap Project
Cyberpunk Woman 1 + 2
Downtown Joplin Alliance, Joplin, MO
2026 **Honorable Mention**
Joplin Regional Artists Coalition, Joplin, MO
2026 **Best Landscape or Plein Air**
Spiva Center for the Arts
Joplin, MO

PROFESSIONAL ART EXPERIENCE

October 2026-present — **Grant Reviewer**
Mid-America Arts Alliance, Kansas City, MO

September 2026 — **Consultant**
Love Joplin MO LLC, Joplin, MO

July 2026-present — **Veterans Art Group Facilitator**
Veterans Healthcare System of the Ozarks, Joplin, MO

May 2025-May 2026 — **Brand Ambassador**
Craig Frames, Ithaca, MI

March 2007-August 2008 — **Art Specialist**
Weiner Religious School, Congregation Beth Torah, Overland Park, KS

May 2002- June 2003 — **Contract Illustrator**
Rob Straud Advertising, Kansas City, MO

June 1996-Present — **Owner, Graphic Designer, Illustrator + Art Business Architect**
OneGirl Enterprises LLC DBA Esoteric Designs, Joplin, MO

August 1987-May 1988 — **Layout Designer + Reporter**
The Collegio, Pittsburg State University, Pittsburg, KS

JURIED EXHIBITIONS

May 202 — **66 Stories: Attractions, Oddities + Americana Juried Group Exhibition**
Spiva Center for the Arts, Joplin, MO, Juror Shaun Conroy, Exhibits Director

March 2026 — **Greetings from the Mother Road Juried Group Exhibition**
artCentral, Carthage, MO, Juror Cheryl Church, CEO

April 1985 — **Juried Group Exhibition**
State of Kansas Art Tournament, Ft. Hayes, KS

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

July 2027-August 2027 — **Solo Art Exhibition**
Big Spring Gallery, Neosho, MO

July 2007 — **Solo Art Exhibition**
The Planet Café, Kansas City, MO

July 2006 — **Solo Art Exhibition**
The Planet Café, Kansas City, MO

July 2005 — **Solo Art Exhibition**
The Planet Café, Kansas City, MO

FEATURED ARTIST

November 2026 — **Little Yellow Art Box, Featured Artist**
Joplin Avenue Coffee Company, Joplin, MO

September-December 2026 — **Spiva Center for the Arts Gift Gallery, Featured Print Artist**
Joplin, MO

June 2026 — **Miami Public Library, Featured Artist**
Miami, OK

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AWARDS

2025 **Best Landscape or Plein Air**
Spiva Center for the Arts
Joplin, MO
2008 **Best Logo**
NASW-Missouri
Jefferson City, MO
1996 **Best Design**
Minsky's Pizza
Kansas City, MO
1985 **Best Logo**
PSU-Nation Hall
Pittsburg, KS

AFFILIATIONS

artCentral
Joplin Regional Artists Coalition
Kansas City Artists Coalition
Spiva Center for the Arts

SKILLS

Adobe Acrobat
Adobe Creative Suite
Adobe Stock
Adobe Express
Arduino/Coding
Art Educator
Audio/Video
Blogging
Canva
Cartoon Furniture
Cartooning
Collaboration
Color Mixing
Composition
Computer Proficiency
Creative Design
Cricut
Customer Service
Design Principles
Digital Art
Drafting
Design Drawing
Gouache Painting
Graphic Design
Illustration
Inkspace
Linocut

SELECT GROUP EXHIBITIONS

October 2026 — **79th Annual Joy Spiva Cragin Membership Exhibition**
Spiva Center for the Arts, Joplin, MO
Joplin Regional Artists Coalition Liminal Spaces + Thresholds Membership Exhibition
Spiva Center for the Arts, Joplin, MO
September 2026 **Neosho Arts Council Thomas Hart Benton Art Competition + Exhibition**
Neosho, MO
June 2026 — **Joplin Regional Artists Coalition from the Archives Membership Exhibition**
Joplin Public Library, Joplin, MO
Friends of St. Avips Ball Sana S. Sagets Art Auction
Spiva Center for the Arts, Joplin, MO
March 2026 — **Jo Mueller Small Works Auction**
Spiva Center for the Arts, Joplin, MO
February 2026 — **Joplin Regional Artists Coalition Plant the Seed Group Exhibition**
artCentral, Carthage, MO

SELECT ART MARKETS

December 2026 — **Holiday Makers Market**
Spiva Center for the Arts, Joplin, MO
November 2026 — **Joplin Regional Artists Coalition Studio Tour**
Spiva Center for the Arts, Joplin, MO
Small Works, Great Wonders + Holiday Boutique
artCentral, Carthage, MO
October 2026 — **MapleCon**
YMCA Youth Center, Carthage, MO
First Thursday Art Walk
Joplin Avenue Coffee Company, Joplin, MO
September 2026 — **Spooky Makers Market**
Spiva Center for the Arts, Joplin, MO
2026 Queer Art Road Show
The GLO Center, Springfield, Missouri
Pride on Route 66 PrideFest
Downtown Joplin, MO
First Thursday Art Walk
Joplin Avenue Coffee Company, Joplin, MO
August 2026 — **Centennial Route 66 Balloon Festival**
Missouri Southern State University, Joplin, MO
First Thursday Art Walk
Vino Noir, Joplin, MO
July 2026 — **JoMoCon**
Joplin Expo Center, Joplin, MO
July 2026 — **First Thursday Art Walk**
Vino Noir, Joplin, MO
June 2026 — **Evening Soiree Art Walk + Carthage in Bloom Awards**
Vision Carthage, Carthage, MO
Silver Sage Renaissance Festival
Silver Sage, Joplin, MO
April 2026 — **The Great Spring Market at Civil War Arena**
DMR Group, Carthage, MO
March 2026 — **Spiva in Bloom Makers Market**
Spiva Center for the Arts, Joplin, MO

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SKILLS

Marketing
Microsoft Office Suite
Organizatoin
Pen + Ink
Photography
Printmaking
Podcasting
Portfolio Management
Problem Solving
Project Management
Prototyping
Research Studies
Studio Lighting
Sublimation
Team Leadership
Team Management
Typography
Urban Sketching
Verbal Communication
Wacom Tablet
Watercolor
Website Development
Woodworking
Written Communication
Zines

SELECT EDUCATION

Spiva Center for the Arts

2026 Acrylic Bug Painting
Watercolor Bouquets
Artist INC Express
Linocut Valentine's
2025 Paint Pouring
Tiny Worlds in Watercolor
Drawing with Objects
Watercolor Caricatures
Studio 55 Open Studio
2024 Pastel Landscapes
Studio 55 Open Studio
2023 Wonders of Watercolor

Kansas City Art Institute

2010 Portfolio Day: Parsons School of Design
Drawing from Life
Cartooning, Sequential Storytelling + Storyboarding Artwork

SELECT GIFT SHOPS + GIFT GALLERIES

July 2026-present — **Sarahendipity Boutique**, *Carthage, MO*
Spiva Center for the Arts Gift Gallery, *Spiva Center for the Arts, Joplin, MO*

WHOLESALE MARKETS

July 2026-present — **Faire Wholesale**, *San Francisco, CA*

SELECT COMMISSIONS, CONSIGNMENTS + CONTESTS

July 2026 — **Commissioned Grandchildren Portraits**, *The Vogt Grandchildren*
Art: Outside the Box Downtown Joplin Electrical Box Wrap Project, *Downtown Joplin Alliance, City of Joplin, Spiva Center for the Arts + Joplin Arts District, Joplin, MO*
March 2026 — **Commissioned Pet Portrait**, *The Pyeatte Pets*

VOLUNTEER PROJECTS

April 2010 — **Community Second Night Seder Children's Activity**, *Rabbinical Association of KC-Jewish Community Center, Kansas City, MO*
March 2009 — **Volunteer Interviewer**, *Veterans History Project of the American Folklife Center, Washington, DC*
Co-Planner + Logo Designer, *National Association of Social Workers-Missouri Chapter, Jefferson City, MO*
May 1993 — **ACT-UP Sign Designer/Maker**, *ACT-UP, Kansas City, MO*

MEDIA APPEARANCES

November 2026 — Visit Joplin MO **Downtown Joplin is getting more colorful!**
https://www.facebook.com/share/v/19FbbysgiB/?mibextid=wwXlfr
KOAM News Now **Art Outside the Box brings color to Joplin**
https://youtu.be/QyKflFq_7og?is=LKuApNsWYRBJclPg
KSNF News **Downtown Joplin ribbon cutting for art electric boxes**

SELECT CONTENT WRITING

Blogs

April 2026 — **Steampunk pen + ink creations**, *Esoteric Designs, Joplin, MO*
March 2026 — **Guide to pen + ink design**, *Esoteric Designs, Joplin, MO*
Explore unique art with Esoteric Designs, *Esoteric Designs, Joplin, MO*

Press Releases

November 2026 — **Esoteric Designs announces limited-edition mini zine, new artwork + exhibition highlights**, *Esoteric Designs, Joplin, MO*

Newsletters

November 2026 — **New work. New recognition. Same independent spirit.**, *Esoteric Designs, Joplin, MO*

PUNK IS MY PLAYGROUND!