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# **Recently Completed Projects and Commissions**

- Valencia to Vermont mural (2010): A 30-foot long installation of geographically arranged screenprints on wood tiles that visually map the Mission District by intersection.
  - A \$5k+ project that I designed, managed, and staffed.
  - <u>Staff</u>: 4 guest artists.
  - <u>Project Duration</u>: 4 months.
  - Permanently installed at 3111 24th Street (between Folsom and Shotwell).
  - Commissioned for the opening of Local Mission Eatery, which was awarded the California Home & Design reader's choice award for best-designed restaurant in San Francisco.
- **Temporary Spaces** (2008-2009): A screenprinted series of six large-format cityscapes on wood that consider the city in flux as development, nature, and the inescapable effects of time modify the visual landscape of the eastern neighborhoods.
  - <u>Neighborhoods explored:</u> Mission Bay, Telegraph Hill, India Basin.
  - Publicly exhibited in a variety of San Francisco galleries and businesses.
- **Production Designer:** "Drowning Play: Take Me to the Bridge" (2009 Just Theater, Nohspace, San Francisco)
  - Produced for Fury Factory

# Shows2010• "Valencia to Vermont: 24<sup>th</sup> Street on Wood" (solo) > Local Mission Eatery > SF<br/>• Anthem Screen Printing Opening Show (solo) > San Francisco<br/>• "The City" (group) > 1AM Gallery > San Francisco2009• "Home Is Something I Carry With Me" (co-host and participating artist) > SF ><br/>(Funded by a Southern Exposure Alternative Exposure Grant)<br/>• "I Thought This Was a Math Class 2" (curator) > Oakland Museum of Children's Art<br/>• "Temporary Spaces" (solo) > Dogpatch Biofuels > San Francisco2008• "I Thought This Was a Math Class 1" (co-curator) > Oakland Mus. of Children's Art<br/>ongoing• Spacecraft: First Thursdays > CELLspace

### **Invited Presentations:**

- "San Francisco: Shapes and Surfaces" > Monterey Peninsula College Dept.of Studio Art > 10/15/10
- "Eye Dissection" > Glide Memorial Church Family Supportive Services (San Francisco) > 7/9/10
- Hands-on Screenprinting Day: The Carey School (San Mateo) > 5/2/09

# **Community Experience:**

- **2 Feather Press** (founder): A screenprinting collective based at CELLspace.
  - <u>Mission</u>: To provide screen printing studio for full time members and low cost adult workshops for the community.
- Adult Education Community Workshops
  - February 2011 (upcoming) > "Postcard Intensive" > 2 feather press @ CELLspace
  - January 2011 > private workshop > CELLspace
  - January 2011 > "Getting Started with Screenprinting" > 2 feather press @ CELLspace
  - December 2010 > "Holiday Screenprinting Extravaganza" > 2 feather press @ CELLspace
  - November 2010 > "Print a T-Shirt or Two" > Rock Paper Scissors (Oakland)
  - April 2010 > "Getting Started with Screenprinting" > CELLspace
- **Creative Geometry**: Development and implementation of a novel 6 week hands-on integrated artmath curriculum for underserved high school students.
  - Culminated with an exhibition of student work at the Oakland Museum of Children's Art
  - <u>Summers taught at UC Berkeley Pre-College Academy</u>: 2009, 2008
- **Reverse Engineering:** Development and implementation of a 6 week hands-on, pre-engineering curriculum for underserved high school students.
  - <u>Summers taught at UC Berkeley Pre-College Academy</u>: 2005, 2006.

# **Major Ongoing Projects**

- San Francisco Postcard Project (2006-2013): Loosely related serial postcards sets that explore varied landscapes of the city
  - The postcard medium is interpreted through work that varies from traditional screen prints to short film.
  - 63 of 100 postcards completed.
  - Example series:
    - <u>Postcards 47-55</u> "Kid Monsters:" Six screenprinted characters designed by local children ages 1-12 inhabit unlikely urban spaces.
    - <u>Postcard 28</u>: A meditative crossing through the city's four seasons in a short film cocreated with filmmaker Nowell Valeri, screened at the 2008 SF Independent Film Festival opening party.
    - <u>Postcards 16-27</u> "South of Cesar Chavez" A survey of overlooked SF neighborhoods.
- Production Designer: "Down A Little Dirt Road" (2011 Just Theater, Julia Morgan Center, Berkeley)
- **feather2pixels.com** (2006-present): A multimedia blog, archive of work, and record of visual inspiration.

### Other Recent Commissions

- **Canvas Screenprints** (2010-present): A series of 3-6 wall-sized screenprints on canvas commissioned for the home of artist Torben Ulrich.
- Promotional Work: Partial List of Clients
  - AIGA (the professional association for design): SF Chapter
  - BootcampSF
  - San Francisco Popfest 2009
  - Will Franken, comedian
  - Lia Rose, musician
  - Silian Rail, musician
  - CELLspace Open Studios

### Work History and Education

2006-present > Assistant Professor > Department of Engineering Technology CSU Maritime Academy

- Most recent five semesters: student evaluations of my teaching effectiveness rank nationally in the top tenth of one percent in six out of six categories.
- 2009 Richard Fish Award for commitment to excellence in teaching.

2005-2006 > Field Trip Explainer > Exploratorium

2005-2006 > Volunteer Exhibit Developer > Exporatorium

- Worked on exhibit prototyping for the new "Listening" area.
- 2002-2004 > MS Mechanical Engineering > U.C. Berkeley

1997-2002 > BA History and Philosophy of Science >University of Pittsburgh