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LIFE

Born 1978 in Lafayette, IN / Lives and works in Fort Mill, SC since 2006

EDUCATION

- 2017 AP Art & Design Certification, University of South Carolina Upstate, Spartanburg, SC Masters of Art in Teaching: Art, K-12, Winthrop University, Rock Hill, SC
- 2000 Bachelor of Fine Arts: Graphic Design, Ball State University, Muncie, IN

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2024 ArtFields, Green Frog Social House, Lake City, SC Annual Arts Council of York County Members Show, Center of the Arts, Rock Hill, SC Works by the Catawba River Art Guild, Union County Arts Council, Union, SC Local Artists Exhibition, Piedmont Medical Center, Fort Mill, SC
- 2023 Catawba River Art Guild Members Exhibit, Center of the Arts, Rock Hill, SC
- 2019 FMSD Art Educators Exhibit, Wells Fargo, Tega Cay, SC

 York County Art Teachers Exhibit, Center of the Arts, Rock Hill, SC

 NAEA Juried Members Exhibition, Virtual Gallery, arteducators.org
- 2018 FMSD Educators Exhibit, Wells Fargo, Tega Cay, SC
 York County Art Teachers Exhibit, Center of the Arts, Rock Hill, SC
 Disconnection, The Sketchbook Project Vol. 14, Brooklyn Art Library, Brooklyn, NY
 NAEA Juried Members Exhibition, Virtual Gallery, arteducators.org
- 2017 *AP Art Teachers Exhibition,* Curtis R. Harley Gallery, USC Upstate, Spartanburg, SC *Educators=Creators*, Olive's Mud Puddle, Fort Mill, SC 29715

ARTIST & LOCAL GALLERY OWNER

2023-2024 Luca Studio & Gallery, Studio Artist & Owner, Fort Mill, SC

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

2023-2024 Catawba River Arts Guild, Member, Rock Hill, SC Arts Council of York County, Member, Rock Hill, SC Downtown Fort Mill Co-Op, Member, Fort Mill, SC

ART-RELATED COMMUNITY SERVICE

- 2024 Catawba River Arts Guild Website, Design In-progress, Rock Hill, SC Fort Mill Coloring Book Project, Committee Member and Artist, Downtown Co-op, Fort Mill, SC Guest Artist Presenter, Catawba River Arts Guild, Center of the Arts, Rock Hill, SC Job Shadow Sponsor for FMSD Secondary Students, Luca Studio & Gallery, Fort Mill, SC
- 2023 Stormwater Mural Project, Volunteer Painter, Kingsley Town Center, Fort Mill, SC
- 2016 Rock Hill Educational Community Garden Bed Murals, Volunteer Artist, Rock Hill, SC

ART EDUCATOR EXPERIENCE

2017-2023	Fort Mill High School, Art Educator, Fort Mill, SC
	(Drawing 1, Drawing 2, Portfolio Art Honors, AP Art & Design, 3-D Design & Sculpture)
2017	Northwestern High School, Art Education Intern, Rock Hill, SC
2016	Northside Elementary School of the Arts, Art Education Intern, Rock Hill, SC
	Nation Ford High School, Art Education Intern. Fort Mill, SC

RELATED EXPERIENCE

The Artists of Spain & France Student Trip, EF Educational Tours Group Leader
PLT Leader, Fort Mill High School, Fort Mill, SC
The Artists of Italy & France Student Trip, EF Educational Tours Group Leader
STEAM Education Leader, Fort Mill School District, Fort Mill, SC
Host Teacher for Winthrop University Art Education Interns
National Art Honor Society Sponsor, Fort Mill High School, Fort Mill, SC
National Art Education Association (NAEA), Member
South Carolina Art Education Association (SCAEA), Member
Art Club Sponsor, Fort Mill High School, Fort Mill, SC

- Worked with students to develop their creative problem solving skills, techniques, portfolio development, communication, and writing.
- Collaborated with teacher teams to develop successful curriculums and supports for students.
- Hosted and supported art education interns from Winthrop University.
- Led students in a variety of community and school-wide creative volunteer projects including painting murals, creating handmade journals, volunteering at art events, facepainting, working with the K4 students, and more. Volunteer partnerships included: Fort Mill School District, Children's Attention Home, Pathways Community Center, Pink Out Crucial Catch Campaign, Riverview Volunteer Fire Department, and more.
- Helped students raise funds to pay for their art competition submissions, field trips, and other art-related activities.
- Planned, managed, and led student field trips to regional art museums and art trips to Europe.
- Assisted students with entering works in competitions including Scholastic Art & Writing, Congressional Art Competition, Read Across America Poster Competition, and ArtFields Jr.
- Collaborated with other art teachers and students to plan and manage multiple student art shows including annual NAHS show, annual AP Art & Design Exhibition, Spring Semester Art Show, and Fall Semester Art Show.

GRAPHIC DESIGN EXPERIENCE

2005-2015	Luca Design, Inc., President & Creative Director, Fort Mill, SC
2014	Mythic, Art Director, Charlotte, NC
2003-2005	Creative Loafing Newspaper, Account Executive, Charlotte, NC
2003	Builder Advertising & Marketing, Art Director, Charlotte, NC
2001-2003	RED F Marketing, Graphic Designer, Charlotte, NC

- Owned and operated graphic design business for 10 years.
- Collaborated with teams of writers, designers, and marketing executives to achieve goals.
- Conducted research to inspire creativity.
- Handled multiple accounts simultaneously, met demanding timelines.
- Worked within proposed budgets.
- Managed day-to-day business tasks such as payroll, accounting, budgeting, and scheduling.
- Mentored junior designers to help them further their skills and knowledge of the industry, process, and design.