

VIRGINIA WIERINGA

EDUCATION: 1970 B.A. Calvin College, 1990 M.A.T. Calvin College

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Beyond formal education, my art studies include: drawing with Don King, watercolor with Harry Hefner, oil painting with Dick Stien, pastel with Jim Markle, history of architecture with Joe Becherer, water

media with Kathleen Conover and Linda Baker, icon painting with Diane Hamel and Photoshop Elements at Kendall College of Art and Design.

EMPLOYMENT:

Elementary art consultant / art teacher
Grand Rapids Public Schools 1970 -1993
(preKindergarten through – junior high)
Adjunct instructor, art education
Grand Rapids Community College 1985-95
Adjunct instructor, drawing
Grand Rapids Community College 1994-95
Art instructor, art education and drawing
GRCC 1995-2003
Adjunct art professor, Introduction to Art,
Kuyper College 2003-2004
Self-employed artist 2004-present

GALLERIES:

Fire and Water Art Showroom
219 West Main, Lowell

STUDIO SHOWINGS BY APPOINTMENT

616.245.1565

COLLECTIONS:

Church of the Servant CRC
First United Methodist in GR
Fuller Avenue CRC
Camp Tosebo, Manistee, MI
Metropolitan Hospital
Park Church
Pine Rest Christian Hospital
Private Collections
Salt of the Earth, Fennville, MI
Spectrum Health Hospice

GROUP SHOWS:

East Congregational Church 2006
Eyekons Gallery 2007
Pine Rest, Postma Worship Center 2008
Uptown Galleria, Grand Haven 2008
ArtPrize Fall 2009

SOLO EXHIBITIONS:

Four Friends Coffee 1996, 2004
Rush Creek Bible Church 2004, Winter 2008
Wealthy Street Bakery Fall 2005
Reformed Church headquarters 2006, 2007
Park Congregational Church Spring 2007
Orchard Hill Reformed Church Lent 2007
First United Methodist Church Winter 2007
Calvin Christian Reformed 2007 and 2009
Fuller Avenue CRC Summer 2007
Wyoming Library Fall 2007
Hope Reformed Church Winter 2007-2008
St. Mary's Health Care Winter 2008
Grandville Library Summer 2008
East Grand Rapids Library Summer 2008
Lowell Chamber of Commerce Summer 08
Bethlehem Lutheran Church Summer 08
Terryberry Gallery St Cecilia Dec 08- Jan09
Church of the Servant Sept- Dec 2009
Woodlawn Ministry Center Jan-Feb 2010
Bella Vista Church Jan-Feb 2010
Monroe Community Church Advent 2010

COMPETITIONS:

Renaissance on the Grand 1981, 3rd Prize
Grand Rapids Festival of the Arts
1982, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2010
First United Methodist Celebration Show
1993, 2004, 2007, 2008, 2009
Lowell Area Arts Council Regional Show
2002, 2005, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010
Bishop Hills Rivertown Exhibit People's choice
2005 2nd prize, 2006 3rd prize, 2007 1st prize
Art in the Park, Muskegon July 2008
Layers of Life, Lowell 2008 People's Choice Award
ArtPrize 2009
ISEA 2010

PRESENTATIONS:

"Art is Everywhere" Conference 2004
Calvin Worship Symposium 2005
MANNA meeting "Enigmas and Mysteries" 2007
Hope Reformed Church 2008

SOME ART RELATED VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES:

Art committee Church of the Servant 1996-2007
(chair 98-2006) Exhibition coordinator 2007- present
Newsletter editor Rivertown Artist Guild Fall 2005-2008
Mentor ArtWorks Art Around the Town 2006
Email secretary GR CIVA (Grand Rapids Christians in the Visual Arts) Fall 2006- present
Member ISEA (International Society of Experimental Artists) 2008-present