

CURRICULUM VITAE

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ARTIST, ART HISTORIAN, LECTURER

- Prix de Rome (Rome Prize Fellowship), First Runner Up, Painting
- Tutelage under renowned SoHo gallery figure Ivan Karp led to OK Harris exhibition
- Multiple Dean's List & President's List designations—Pratt Institute
- Merit Scholarships both years graduate program—Tufts University SMFA
- Curriculum committee member—Tufts University SMFA
- Researcher, writer, lecturer—Mid-Twentieth Century American art history

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Joseph Stapleton (1921-1994), second generation abstract expressionist: Legal right holder, Stapleton drawing collection (approx. 5,500 drawings), archivist, curator, biographer. Mid-twentieth century American art history; Artistic expression of Jewish artists of the New York School in the face of anti-Semitism, fascism, & the Holocaust.

EDUCATION

Tufts University/School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Medford/Boston MA
Master of Fine Arts 2016

Critical Reviews w/Ivan Karp, Owner/Director, OK Harris Works of Art 1975-78 New York NY
Resulted in exhibition at OK Harris Works of Art 1978

Private Study w/Herb Aach, Editor *Goethe's Color Theory*; Director of Painting, Queens College
1974-1975 Queens NY - Color theory & painting process

Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, New York
Bachelor of Fine Arts 1974 *President's List, Dean's List*

RECENT AND UPCOMING TEACHING

Mount Wachusett Community College, Gardner MA
Adjunct Professor *Art History II Renaissance to Modern*, Fall Semester 2017

Lifetime Learning, Newton Community Education, City of Newton MA
Instructor *Adolph Gottlieb, Mark Rothko, & Barnett Newman—Communicating the Horrors of Anti-Semitism, Fascism, and the Holocaust*—a 6-day course for seniors, Spring Session 2018

Lifetime Learning, Newton Community Education, City of Newton MA
Instructor *Jewish artists of the New York School speak through their work about anti-Semitism, fascism, & the Holocaust*—a 6-day course for seniors, Fall Session 2017

Lifetime Learning, Newton Community Education, City of Newton MA
Instructor *A look at Abstract Expressionism through the life of Joseph Stapleton*—a 6-day course
for seniors, Spring Session 2017

RECENT & UPCOMING LECTURES

Newton Community Education, City of Newton MA
Adolph Gottlieb, Mark Rothko, & Barnett Newman: Communicating the Horrors of Anti-Semitism, Fascism, and the Holocaust May 2018

Art Students League of New York, New York NY
Rediscovering Joseph Stapleton October 2017

Newton Community Education, City of Newton MA
Jewish Artists/Jewish Critics October 2017

Brookline Adult & Community Education, Town of Brookline MA
Jewish Artists/Jewish Critics October 2017

Brookline Adult & Community Education, Town of Brookline MA
Falling in to Obscurity: Why Joe Stapleton Failed March 2017

School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston MA
Thesis Lecture *Joseph Stapleton: The Erasure Drawings* March 2015

SELECTED EXHIBITIONS

Thesis Exhibition Grossman Gallery, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston MA 2016

Medal Awards Auction, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston MA 2015

ADA 24 Invitational, Institute for Human Centered Design, Boston MA 2015

Summer Exhibition, OK Harris Works of Art, New York NY 1978

Biennial, New Orleans Museum of Art, New Orleans LA 1977

Jack L. Boulton (Associate Director, American Federation of Arts), Juror
Georgia Artists, High Museum of Art, Atlanta GA 1974

Gudmund Vigtel (High Museum Director), Juror
37th National Midyear Show, Butler Institute of American Art, Youngstown OH 1973

Richard Anuszkiewicz & William Gropper, Jurors
Invitational, New England & New York Artists Berkshire Museum, Pittsfield MA 1973

Andrew Carduff Ritchie (MoMA, Yale Art Gallery), Juror
24th New England Exhibition Silvermine Guild of Artists, New Canaan CT 1973

Marcia Tucker (Curator, Whitney Museum), Juror

SELECTED COLLECTIONS

Brigham and Women's Hospital, Pain Management Center, Boston MA

Duane Morris LLP, Boston MA

Newton City Hall, Newton MA

Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission, Boston MA

Omni International Hotel, Atlanta GA

Temple Beth Elohim, Wellesley MA

Coca Cola World Headquarters, Atlanta GA
Peachtree Tower Hotel, Atlanta, GA
Rupert/Jensen Associates, Atlanta GA
Knox Martin and numerous other private collectors

BIBLIOGRAPHY

Medal Awards Gala, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston MA (Exhibition Catalog) 2015
OK Harris Works of Art, New York NY (Exhibition Catalog) 1978
Artists Biennial, New Orleans Museum, New Orleans LA (Exhibition Catalog) 1977
Editorial Atlanta Gazette, Atlanta GA 1976
Georgia Artists, High Museum of Art, Atlanta GA (Exhibition Catalog) 1974
Burnett on Art (Review), Atlanta Journal, Atlanta GA 1974
37th Midyear Show, Butler Institute of American Art, Youngstown, OH (Exhib. Catalog) 1973
Invitational, N. E. & New York Artists, Berkshire Museum Pittsfield, MA (Exhib. Catalog) 1973
24th N. E. Exhibition Silvermine Guild of Artists, New Canaan CT (Exhib. Catalog) 1973

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Robert Solomon Marketing Consultant Atlanta GA, Coventry CT, Burlingame CA 1974-2003
Customer Retention, New Product Development, Market Analysis
Selected clients: Apple, Adobe, Palm, Handspring, Esselte Letraset, Letraset USA, Letraset Japan, Pantone Corporation, International Typeface Corporation (ITC)
Solomon Graphic Supplies Atlanta GA Founder, President 1979-1983
Introduced new concept in art supplies order and delivery; captured significant share of advertising/design agency business

CIVIC AND VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

MBTA Liaison to City of Newton, Newton Highlands Area Council, 2013-ongoing:
Partnered with State Representative to secure \$7.4 million in the State Capital Investment Plan funds for the redesign of MBTA Green Line Station, to bring it into ADA compliance; aligned with Project Manager, MBTA Design and Construction, to monitor design schedule, promote access options, and ensure deadline compliance

School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, 2014-2016:
Advisor MFA Board of Directors and SMFA administration on campus accessibility issues; identified locations for upgrade, monitored installation of door buttons throughout campus and wheelchair lift in Graduate Studios building

Elected Member, Newton Highlands Area Council 2013-2014
Responsible for Pedestrian Safety and Accessibility Issues for the Newton Highlands community

Volunteer for Local & State Government, Congressional, & Presidential campaigns 1968-present