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## Education

University of Wisconsin Madison, WI – MFA: Wood/Art, MA: Wood/Art  
2005-2008

Rhode Island School of Design Providence, RI – BFA: Furniture Design  
2000-2003

Kansas City Art Institute Kansas City, MO – Major: Sculpture  
1997-2000

## Selected Exhibitions

- 2011 Serenity Now – Milavec Hakimi Gallery, New York, NY
- 2011 History In The Making - Smithsonian American Art Museum, Renwick  
Washington D.C.
- 2009 Transformation 7: Contemporary Works in Wood - traveling exhibition
- 2009 Joan Mitchell Grant Recipient Show - Cue Gallery - New York, NY
- 2008 International Art & Design Fair - New York, NY
- 2008 Solo Exhibition - Wexler Gallery - Philadelphia, PA
- 2008 Wood - Artisan Gallery - Paoli, WI
- 2008 Alter Ego (MFA exhibition) - Maia Haus Project Space - Madison, WI
- 2008 Speculation - Commonwealth Gallery - Madison, WI
- 2007 Meticulocity (MA exhibition) - Silo Project Space - Madison, WI
- 2006 Works Together - 7<sup>th</sup> Floor Gallery - Madison, WI
- 2004 Curv-iture - traveling exhibition hosted by the Furniture Society
- 2003 Emerging Perspectives - Meredith Gallery - Baltimore, MD
- 2003 Salone Internazionale del Mobile 2003 (Milan Furniture Fair 2003)  
RISD booth - Milan Italy
- 2002 Providence Fine Furnishing Show - RISD booth - Providence, RI
- 2002 The Chair Show - Worcester Center for the Crafts - Worcester, MA

## Awards and Collections

- 2011 Smithsonian American Art Museum Renwick – permanent collection
- 2010 United States Artist Grant – Knight Foundation Fellowship recipient
- 2009 Museum of Art and Design - permanent collection - New York, NY
- 2008 Interior Design Magazine - Best of Year Award - Lounge Seating
- 2008 Joan Mitchell Foundation - MFA grant recipient
- 2003 Distinctive Furniture Design - awarded by the Furniture Design  
department - RISD

## Press

- 2011 Home and Design (magazine)
- 2011 Furniture With Soul (book)
- 2009 Innovators Shaping Our Creative Future (book) T&H UK, pgs 360-363
- 2009 Basics Product Design: Material Thoughts (book) UK
- 2009 Objects, Craftpunk (book) Germany, pgs 15-16
- 2009 Forbes Life (magazine) USA, March 2009, pg 36
- 2009 Interior Design (magazine) USA, January 2009 Number 15, pg 184
- 2009 Desire (book) Germany, pgs 110-111
- 2009 American Craft (magazine) USA, January 2009, pgs 22-23
- 2009 Philadelphia Home (magazine) USA, Winter 2009, pg 88
- 2008 American Style (magazine) USA, April 2008, cover and pgs 82-83
- 2008 500 Chairs (book) USA, pg 39
- 2008 LAB (magazine) Russia, Vol 5 issue 44 pg 44
- 2008 American Craft (magazine) USA, January 2008, pg 40
- 2008 Arch (magazine) China, April 2008, pg 28
- 2007 Dwell (magazine) USA, July/August 2007, pg 50
- 2007 Space (magazine) China, April 2007
- 2007 D'Casa (magazine) Italy, September 2007, pg 52
- 2006 The Meaning of Craft (book) pg 109
- 2004 Furniture Makers Exploring Digital Technologies (book) pg 57
- 2004 400 Wood Boxes (book) USA, pg 193

## Other

- 2011 Visiting Critic Rhode Island School of Design - Providence, RI
- 2011 Visiting Artist Lecture VCU Virginia Commonwealth University - VA
- 2011 Visiting Artist Lecture Purchase College - NY
- 2011 Visiting Artist Lecture Smithsonian American Art Museum - DC
- 2011 Workshop Instructor Anderson Ranch Art Center - CO
- 2010 Workshop Instructor Haystack Mountain School of Crafts - ME
- 2010 Critic Rhode Island School of Design – Providence, RI
- 2010 Visiting Critic Rhode Island School of Design - Providence, RI
- 2009 Visiting Artist Lecture University of the Arts - Philadelphia, PA
- 2007 Teacher's Assistant Haystack Mt. School of Crafts - Deer Isle, ME
- 2007 Visiting Artist Lecture California College of Art - San Francisco, CA
- 2007 Visiting Artist Lecture San Diego State University - San Diego, CA
- 2004 Teacher's Assistant Haystack Mt. School of Crafts - Deer Isle, ME