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Summary: With over 30 years teaching experience coupled with a strong background in both Art and Psychology, I have developed my own style of teaching built around a unique curriculum that instills my students not only with the necessary technical skills but also motivates them through a appreciation of their own abilities and of art as a dynamic medium, allowing them to experience success throughout the year. I have been a driving force behind bringing the Art Car to the forefront of art education, as well as involving my students in other community art projects which in turn have allowed them to gain valuable insight into not only themselves but the community as a whole. The crux of my teaching experience has always helping my students become well rounded, confident individuals.

Work Experience: Houston Independent School District
Secondary Art Teacher
1984- 2012

Art League Houston
Healing Arts Program
2012-present

The Tenney School
Secondary Art Teacher
2013-2014

In all my teaching positions, I have tried to create the most dynamic classroom experience for my students. While working in mostly inner-city areas, my students regularly create installations and murals for various community based organizations, such as Lawndale Art and Performance Center, Orange Show Foundation, The Aids Foundation, and the Mayors Anti-Gang Task Force. Their artwork is entered into every contest that is available and we always have great winners.

I am the creator and founder of HISD's award winning Art Car Class that has won first place in the Houston Art Car Parade, (among others nationwide), since 1991. Under my direction, the students have had their art cars featured internationally in CNN, FOX, National Geographic, Car and Driver, FX channels

Weird Wheels, New York Times, among many others. We have various art car projects as a part of permanent collections in Kula Limpur, Malaysia, Frankfurt, Germany, Baltimore, MD., and Decatur, IL. Minneapolis, MN., Steamboat Springs, CO., Houston, Austin, Trinidad, CO..... Every year I create an environment for students to move outside their element and provide them with experiences to grow and mature.

Other Work Experience:

Orange Show Foundation for Visionary Arts - Houston, Texas

Harris County Hospital District

Harris County Children's Protective Services

Family Connection, Inc. Halfway House for Runaways

Education

University Of Houston 1975-1984
B.A. Behavioral Sciences 1978
Minor Studio Art

University of North Texas 1973-1975

Other skills: I.B. Art certified
A.P. Art Certified
G.T. Certified
Herman Hospital-Houston Crisis E.R. counselor
Dance, Gymnastics and Swimming training
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References upon request