

Sonja L. Rossow

Education

M.F.A. University of Alabama. 2012. Book Arts. Thesis: a fine press edition - *Holding Down the Fort, the joys and heartaches of being a military spouse*

B.S.E. Minot State University. 2005. Art Education

B.S. University of Louisville. 1991. Fine Art/Interior Design

A.A. University of Louisville. 1988. Paralegal

Academic Teaching Experience

August 2018 – present
University of Alabama – Huntsville
Adjunct Professor in Art
Huntsville, Alabama

September 2010 – May 2014
University of Alabama
Adjunct Professor in Art
Tuscaloosa, Alabama

2005 – 2009
Fairfax County Public Schools
Middle/High School Art Teacher
Alexandria, Virginia

2000 – 2003
Anchorage Public Schools
Substitute Teacher
Anchorage, Alaska

Professional Experience

Fall 2014 – October 2016
Volunteer Graphic Art Dept.
National American History Museum
Washington D.C.

2009 – Present
at some point press, LLC
Proprietor, Book Repair and Custom Letterpress
Huntsville, AL 35805

October 1997 – June 2000
Archdiocese of Miami
Producer/Writer for Television Center
Miami, Florida

December 1994 - July 1997
Alaska Air National Guard
168th Air Refueling Wing
Video Production Specialist
Fairbanks, Alaska

August 1992 – November 1994
Kentucky Air National Guard
123rd Airlift Wing
Video Production Specialist

Workshops Outside of studio

October 2015 & January 2017
Leather Embossed Journals
Asheville, BookWorks
Asheville, NC

January 2015
Flatback Case Binding
Asheville BookWorks

Asheville, NC

March 2011

Introduction to Letterpress

Southwest School of Art

San Antonio, Texas

Internships/Assistantships

Spring Concentration March – May 2015

Penland School of Crafts

Letterpress Studio Assistant

June 2010

Southwest School of Art

Picante Paper Studio

San Antonio, Texas

Awards/Honors

2012 Scholarship, Friend of Dard Hunter/IAPMA Conference

2012 Raymond F. McClain Book Arts Award

2011 Purchase Award, Art Bound, University of Florida

2011 Travel and Research Grant to Folger Shakespeare Library

2010 Purchase Award, Art Bound, University of Florida

2010 Scholarship, Guild of Book Workers, Standards of Excellent Conference

2010 Scholarship, Paper Book Intensive

1995 3rd Place Combat Camera Air National Guard video competition

1993 3rd Place Combat Camera, Department of Defense video competition

1993 1st Place Combat Camera, Air National Guard video competition

Exhibitions

Solo:

2020 *What Lies Beneath*, University of Alabama Huntsville, AL

Little Green Store Featured Artist, Huntsville, AL

Angel's Island Coffee Shop, Huntsville, AL

2012 *Holding Down the Fort*, Fairchild Academic Library, Maxwell AFB, AL

2012 *Holding Down the Fort*, Ferguson Gallery, Tuscaloosa, AL

2005 *Places*, Minot State University Library, Minot, ND

Group:

2022 Faculty Show, UAH Salmon Library, Huntsville, Alabama

2020 Faculty Show, UAH Salmon Library, Huntsville, Alabama

2019 *100 Years of Outrageous Women*, Lowe Mill Arts Entertainment, Huntsville, AL

2013 *Printmaking in Alabama*, Alabama Artists Gallery, Montgomery, AL

2012 *Southeast Guild of Book Workers 2012 Juried Members Exhibition*, Asheville, NC
Posted, Printmaking Center of New Jersey, Branchburg, NJ

Artbound Student Book Arts Competition, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

Watermarks Members Show, Cleveland, OH

2011 *The 5th Annual National Collegiate Handmade Paper Art Triennial*, Rutgers University, Newark, NJ and Corcoran College of Art + Design, Washington

DC

Artists 'Books 2011, Cuesta College, San Louis Obispo, CA

Artbound Student Book Arts Competition, University of Florida, Gainesville,

FL

LOVE, Alabama Art Kitchen, Tuscaloosa, AL

BookOpolis 2011, BookWorks, Asheville, NC

2010 *Groundwork: Founding Members Show*, Alabama Art Kitchen, Tuscaloosa, AL

Pulp Culture, East Carolina University, Mendenhall Gallery, Greenville, NC

The Illustrated Accordion, Kalamazoo Book Arts Center, Kalamazoo, MI

Presentations

2018 Pyramid Atlantic Bi-Annual Book Fair, *Paper Poetry Necklace* demonstration

2016 Pyramid Atlantic B-Annual Book Fair, *The Unjournal* demonstration

2013 SECAC *Attention! Art and the Military* panelist

Collections

Baylor University, Crouch Library

Brown University, Hay Library

College of William and Mary, Swem Library

Denison University, Doane Library

Duke University, Perkins Library

George Mason University, Fenwick Library

Scripps College, Denison Library
Southwest School of Art, San Antonio, Tx
Smithsonian American History Museum, Washington DC
University of Alabama, Gorgas Library
University of Florida, Smathers Library
University of Iowa, Main Library
University of New Mexico, Zimmerman Library
University of South Carolina, Hollings Library
University of Utah, Marriot Library
University of Washington, Special Collections Library
Vanderbilt University, Heard Library
Various private collectors

Affiliations

Alabama Women in the Arts Caucus
College Book Arts Association
Guild of Bookworkers
National Art Education Association