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education -

University of Southern Mississippi Ph.D. in English, Creative Writing; May 2017 Dissertation: "Beacon Light and Other Stories" Advisor: Steven Barthelme

University of North Dakota M.A. in English; August 2007 Thesis: "The Textual Condition of Hemingway's African Book"

University of South Dakota B.L.S. (Liberal Studies), emphasis in literature; May 2003 Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society

creative work -

<u>full length</u>

Golden Heart Parade – story collection, Santa Fe Writers Project, 2021 *Echo Echo* – novel, in submission *Dirt Road Runner* – novel, in composition

short fiction

"Little Miss Grift," South Dakota Magazine, January/February 2022 "Shake This Noose," Louisiana Literature 37.1, Spring/Summer 2020 "Fricassee," Best Short Stories from The Saturday Evening Post Great American Fiction Contest 2020 (digital anthology) "Escape Velocity," *descant* 57, 2018 "Make It Yours" (AWP Intro Journals Award), Tahoma Literary Review 3.2, Summer 2016 "Barkley the Ice King," North Dakota Quarterly 83.2, Spring 2016 "Worst at Night," Beloit Fiction Journal 29, Spring 2016 "Charges," Midwestern Gothic 15, Fall 2014 "Sing Along," Chicago Quarterly Review 18, 2014 "Outlaw," Flint Hills Review 18, 2013 "My Rig is the Wild, Wild Heart," *Foxing Quarterly* 2, Spring 2013 "There is Passion, There is Not Love," Bryant Literary Review 14, 2013 "In My Life with Carl Lehmann," Clackamas Literary Review 16, 2012 "Everything Equal," *New Ohio Review* 11, Spring 2012 "Possessions," The Chariton Review 33.2, Fall 2010

<u>nonfiction</u>

"Eight Modern Mysteries of the Alaskan Interior," *The Iowa Review* (forthcoming) "Ten Years Sober," *The Sun* 559, July 2022 "Vanilla is a Flavor," Get Lit! Tiny Book Series, Vol. 2, 2022

"Research Notes: Golden Heart Parade," Necessary Fiction (online), September 2021

"If My Book: Golden Heart Parade," Monkeybicycle (online), September 2021

"Smoky Water Elegy," J Journal: New Writing on Justice 13.1, Spring 2020

"Highway to Hades," *Valley Voices* 20.1, Spring 2020

"Love Running," The Sun 519, March 2019

"Rereading Siddhartha," Soundings East 39, Spring 2017

"Lockn' Roll: Jam Band Culture Comes to Virginia," The Weekly Standard 22.06, October 17, 2016

flash fiction & nonfiction

"People in Cars Outside the Coin Laundry," *Water~Stone Review* 25, 2022 "Sea Changes and Coelacanths," *Whiskey Island* 67, Spring 2016 "Three Little Parables," *Rock & Sling* 8.2, Fall/Winter 2013 "Something of a Bear," *Flyway: Journal of Writing and Environment* 13.2 online, Spring 2011 "Your Nightmare," *Gulf Coast* 22.2, Summer/Fall 2010

<u>poetry</u>

"Silver & Black Hole," Harpur Palate 14.2, Winter/Spring 2015

critical work

<u>book reviews</u>

Tom Comitta's *The Nature Book; Star Tribune*, March 10, 2023
Michael Kleber-Diggs' *Worldly Things; Great River Review* 68, 2021–22
Yu-Han Chao's *Sex & Taipei City; Salamander* 50, Spring/Summer 2020
Lynn Pedersen's *The Nomenclature of Small Things; Pleiades Book Review* 14.2, Summer 2017
Mary Robison's *Subtraction*, a 25-year retrospective; *The Millions* (online), June 2016
Angela Pelster's *Limber; Prairie Schooner* 89.3, Fall 2015
Per Petterson's *It's Fine By Me; Harvard Review Online*, Spring 2014
Deni Y. Béchard's *Cures for Hunger; The Iowa Review Online*, Summer 2012
Laura van den Berg's *What the World Will Look Like When All the Water Leaves Us Colorado Review* 38.1, Spring 2011
Robert W. Trogden's *The Lousy Racket: Hemingway, Scribners and the Business of Literature North Dakota Quarterly* 76.1–2, Winter & Spring 2009

creative writing pedagogy

"Readshare: A Forum for Readers in the Creative Writing Workshop" Vanguard: Exercises for the Creative Writing Classroom, RAIDER Publishing / Texas Tech University Libraries, 2020

textual & editorial theory

"The Textual Condition of Hemingway's African Book" North Dakota Quarterly 76.1–2, Winter & Spring 2009

teaching

University of Alaska Fairbanks, Assistant Professor (formerly Term); Fairbanks, 2019-present

courses: Writing and the Professions (Honors), Technical Writing, Introduction to Creative Writing (Multi-Genre), Intermediate Creative Writing: Fiction, Topics in Creative Writing: Flash Forms, Practicum in Literary Publishing, Mentored Teaching in English (Grad Level), Writers' Workshop (Grad Level), Forms of Fiction (Grad Level)

service: Creative Writing Program Committee, MFA Applicant Review Committee, MFA Comprehensive Examination Committee, Graduate Programs Committee, Web Development Committee (chair), Faculty Advisor for *Ice Box* Undergraduate Literary Journal, Faculty Advisor for Creative Writing Club, College of Liberal Arts Program Review Committee, Director of the Midnight Sun Visiting Writers Series

grants received, Ice Box Literary Journal: People's Endowment Grant (\$1,100, AY2018–19), Undergraduate Research & Scholarly Activity [URSA] Mentor Award (\$2,500, AY2019–20), UAF Alumni Association Benefactor Fund Award (\$1,300, AY2020–21); URSA Supplies & Services Award (\$1,500, AY2021–22)

grant received, Midnight Sun Visiting Writers Series: URSA Supplies & Services Award (\$2,500, AY2022–23)

grant received, personal research: Gordon Burns Cooper Memorial Endowment Award (\$4,000, AY2022–23)

Catapult, Teaching Artist; New York (online), 2020–2021

course: Four-Week Nonfiction: Breaking into Publishing by Writing Book Reviews

University of Minnesota, Lecturer / Teaching Specialist; Minneapolis, 2008–2018 *courses:* Technical & Professional Writing (online & in-person), Writing Studio

service: Online Curriculum Committee (2010–2018), Honors, Awards, & Scholarly Events Committee (2008–2011)

- South Dakota State University, Instructor; Brookings, 2017–2018 *courses:* Basic Writing, Technical Writing
- **University of Southern Mississippi**, Graduate Teaching Assistant; Hattiesburg, 2013–2016 *courses:* Fiction Writing I, Technical Writing, Composition I & II
- **Loft Literary Center**, Teaching Artist; Minneapolis, 2009–2011 *courses:* Elements of Storytelling, Point of View, Creating Scene, First-Person Narrators
- American College of Norway, Instructor; Moss, Norway, 2007–2008 courses: Introductory Creative Writing, Short Story Form, College Composition I & II
- **University of North Dakota**, Graduate Teaching Assistant; Grand Forks, 2005–2007 *courses:* Expository Writing, Academic Research, Business & Technical Writing *service:* Graduate Liaison to the Executive Committee (2006–2007)

honors -

Pushcart Prize Nominee – *Valley Voices*, 2020 Great American Fiction Contest Finalist – *The Saturday Evening Post*, 2019 SFWP Book Award - Santa Fe Writers Project, 2019

St. Lawrence Book Award Semi-Finalist – Black Lawrence Press, 2019

Participant Scholarship (Nonfiction) - Community of Writers Workshops at Olympic Valley, 2018

Tennessee Williams Scholarship (Fiction) - Sewanee Writers' Conference, 2016

Intro Journals Award (Fiction) – Association of Writers and Writing Programs, 2016

Emerging Artist Award (Creative Writing) - USM Partners for the Arts, 2016

Hudson Prize Finalist – Black Lawrence Press, 2015

St. Lawrence Book Award Finalist - Black Lawrence Press, 2015 and 2016

Garth Avant Award in Fiction – USM Center for Writers, 2015

Pushcart Prize Nominee - Flint Hills Review, 2013

Donald Barthelme Prize, Honorable Mention – *Gulf Coast*, 2010

readings & appearances

AWP Off-Site Readings for *Water~Stone Review* and *Rock & Sling* (Seattle); March 2023 Virtual Speaker Series in Writing, Editing, and Publishing (University of North Dakota); September 2022

Short Story Fest 2022 (virtual); Host of "Book Chat with author Morgan Talty," May 2022

Get Lit! Festival (Spokane, WA); Reader and Panelist: "Celebrating the Short Story," April 2022

Montana Book Festival; Panelist for "The Big Short (Story): Big Imaginations in Small Spaces," October 2021

South Dakota Festival of Books; Presenter: "Workshop on Flash Forms" and "The Unity in Community: Reading Groups & Writing Groups," October 2021

Short Story Fest (virtual); Keynote Speaker: "Mystery & Manners: Life Lessons from Reading," May 2021

Literary readings in Hattiesburg, MS, and Fairbanks, AK

literary service

Santa Fe Writers Project Book Prize; Manuscript Reader, 2022

Permafrost Book Prize (U. of Alaska Press); Fiction Semifinalist Judge, 2019 & 2021

Fairbanks Summer Arts Festival; Teaching Artist, 2019

A Public Space; Manuscript Reader, 2018–2019

Mississippi Review; Assistant Editor, summer issues 2014-2017

Viz. Reading Series (Hattiesburg, MS); Founding Member, Facilitator, 2014–2016

Product Magazine (U. of Southern Mississippi); Staff Editor, Social Media Coordinator, 2014–2015

Online writing for the Memorious blog and The Review Review

Manuscript peer-reviewing for University of Alaska Press

conferences & workshops

creative writing events

Community of Writers Workshops; Olympic Valley, CA, July 2018 Contributed to nonfiction workshop led by Sands Hall, Julia Flynn Siler, and others

- Sewanee Writers' Conference; Sewanee, TN, July 2016 Contributed to fiction workshop led by Steve Yarbrough and Jill McCorkle
- National Graduate Creative Writing Conference; Carrollton, GA, March 2014 Presented craft essay "The Sestina: A Technical Achievement"
- Mississippi Philological Association Conference; Starkville, MS, February 2014 Presented personal essay "Rereading *Siddhartha*"
- *Tin House* Summer Writers Workshop; Portland, OR, July 2007 Contributed to fiction workshop led by novelist Peter Rock
- Writing by Degrees—Graduate Creative Writing Conference; Binghamton, NY, Oct. 2006 Presented short story "Swimming and Diving at the Old Gravel Pit"

literature events

Southern Writers, Southern Writing Graduate Conference; Oxford, MS, July 2016 Presented paper "'A Handsome Town, Very Literary': Barry Hannah's Oxford"

Southern Studies Conference; Montgomery, AL, February 2016 Presented paper "Comic Pathos in Beth Henley's *Crimes of the Heart*"

Midwest Conference on Literature, Language, and Media; DeKalb, IL, April 2011 Presented paper "Can We Build Community in an Online Writing Course?"

Red River Graduate Student Conference; Fargo, ND, March 2007 Presented paper "The Varying Editions of Hemingway's Second African Book"

"In the City & On the Road" 20th Century Literature Conference; Columbia, SC, March 2006 Presented paper "Separation of Fantasy and Reality in an Early Mansfield Story"

nonprofit

South Dakota Humanities Council, Project Coordinator; Brookings, 2018 Grant review, capital building, and community outreach

elementary teaching & journalism — — — —

Hohokam Middle School; Tucson, AZ, 2004–2005 8th grade Reading, 7th grade Life Skills

Chiba Language School; Ping Tung City, Taiwan, 2003 Kindergarten English Development

Aberdeen American News; Aberdeen, SD, 2005–2012 Copyeditor, Sports Reporter (freelance)

campus service

KSUA Radio (Fairbanks) – Programming Volunteer; Deejay, 2019–2021 Southern Miss Radio – Programming Volunteer; Deejay, 2013–2017 Delta Tau Delta Fraternity – Alumni Volunteer, 2005–2007

digital education -

Canvas construction Blackboard construction Moodle construction Desire2Learn (D2L) construction

references

Available upon request