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#### ADMINISTRATIVE and PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2013 to Present Mayor, Highlands, North Carolina  
Responsible for overall town operations, 70 employees and a 16 million dollar annual budget. Leader of numerous private public partnerships including a broadband network with Wide Open Networks. Member of the Southwestern North Carolina Planning and Economic Development Commission and serve on the Transportation Advisory Committee.
- 2003 to 2012 Magistrate, 30th Judicial District, North Carolina  
Conducted probable cause hearing, and set conditions of release and bail.
- 1999 to 2006 Chair and Professor of Art , Art Department, Piedmont College, Demorest, Georgia  
Developed several new academic major programs at the undergraduate and graduate level.
- 1982 to 1999 Founding Chair and Professor of Art, Department of Visual Arts, Kennesaw State University, Kennesaw, Georgia  
Developed the first majors in art, art education and graphic design. Developed and acquired funding for the first computer graphics laboratory at the university. Also acquired \$4.7 dollars in funding for a visual arts building with state of the art computer graphics and animation studios.
- 1990 Visiting Professor of Art, Nanjing Normal University, Nanjing, People's Republic of China  
Served as a university liaison with Chinese officials concerning business and cultural exchanges.
- 1980 to 1982 Elementary Art Specialist for the Clarke County School System, Athens, Georgia  
1972 to 1976 Art Teacher at Valdosta High School, Valdosta, Georgia
- 1970 to 1972 U.S. Army Signal Corps  
Completed communications training at The United States Army Signal School, Fort Monmouth, NJ, as a fixed station technical controller. Worked in the headquarters company of the 29th Signal Group, Bangkok, Thailand. Awarded the Vietnam Service Medal and the Army Commendation Medal.

#### ADDITIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

- 2009 to 2011 Potter-in-residence, The Bascom Visual Arts Center, Highlands, North Carolina  
2007 to 2009 Owners Representative for construction of The Bascom Visual Arts Center, Highlands, North Carolina  
2006 to 2009 Chair of the Facilities Committee for Building Development, The Bascom Visual Arts Center, Highlands, North Carolina

#### EDUCATION

- 1982 Ph.D., Art. Inter-disciplinary degree in Art, University of Georgia  
1978 M.A.Ed., Art Education, University of Georgia  
1970 B.A., Art, Valdosta State University

## SELECTED EXHIBITIONS, COMMISSIONS, COLLECTIONS

- 2016 to present Smitten Gallery Artist, 468 Main Street, Highlands, North Carolina  
2009-2016 Bascom Visual Arts Center Gift Shop Exhibiting Artist, Highlands, North Carolina  
2011 "The Summer Swan House Invitational: Contemporary Southern Pottery and Handmade Objects", Swan Coach House Gallery, Atlanta, Georgia  
2010 One Person Exhibition, The Bascom Visual Art Center, Highlands, North Carolina  
2004 Georgia Pottery Exhibition, Georgia Cultural Heritage Center, Tallulah Falls, Georgia  
2003 King & Spalding Corporate Collection. *Lennie*, Plaster Sculpture, 48"x 22"x 16"  
2003 Academic Mace in Bronze and Wood, Chattahoochee Technical College, Marietta, Georgia  
2002 Academic Mace in Bronze and Wood, Piedmont College, Demorest, Georgia  
1996 Alumni and Emeritus Faculty Exhibition, Valdosta State University, Valdosta, Georgia  
1996 Academic Mace in Wood and Gold Leaf. Dekalb College, Clarkston, Georgia  
1992 "To Russia With Love," Invitational Exhibition of Georgia Artists, St. Petersburg, Russia  
1992 Alumni Exhibition, Valdosta State University, Valdosta, Georgia  
1989 Academic Mace in Bronze and Wood, Kennesaw State University, Kennesaw, Georgia  
1980 - 2018 Work included in over thirty private art collections

## CREATIVE & ADMINISTRATIVE PUBLICATIONS/PRESENTATIONS/WORKSHOPS

- 2013 to Present. Columnist, Mayor on Duty, Highlands News Paper, Highlander and Macon County News. To access columns go to [www.Highlandsnewspaper.com](http://www.Highlandsnewspaper.com). Scroll down to archives by year.  
2016 *Tom. Turner: A Passion in Porcelain*, Patrick Taylor and Don Pilcher, Ceramics Monthly, March, 2016.  
2014 *Tom Turner: A Passion in Porcelain*, a Fifty Year Retrospective, Bascom Gallery Catalogue, Printville, Asheville, North Carolina.  
2006 Art Department Self Study Report for Art Education for the Georgia Professional Standards Commission, Piedmont College, Demorest, Georgia.  
2005 Coordinator, Sid Luck Traditional Pottery Workshop, Fine Arts Center, Highlands, NC.  
2004 Traditional Wood Firing. *Clay Times*. Volume 10, No. 1, January/February, 2004.  
2000 MAT and MA Art Education Degree Proposals, Piedmont College, Demorest, Georgia.  
2003 BFA Degree Proposal, Piedmont College, Demorest, Georgia.  
2000 Art Department Self Study Report for Art Education for the Georgia Professional Standards Commission, Piedmont College, Demorest, Georgia.  
1997 Kennesaw State University Visual Arts Building Proposal. University System of Georgia Board of Regents. Funded and built a 38,000 square foot facility for \$4.7 million dollars.  
1996-1998 Coordinator of the Administrator Workshop of the North Georgia Institute for Education in the Arts.  
1997 National Art Education Association Annual Convention, Presentation: "Microsoft Workshop for Art Educators." New Orleans, Louisiana.  
1996 National Art Education Association Annual Convention, Presentation: "Microsoft Workshop for Art Educators." San Francisco, California.  
1995 National Art Education Association Annual Convention, Presentation: "Workshop Using Fine Artist, Creative Writer and Art Gallery," Houston, Texas.  
1994 National Art Education Association Annual Convention, Presentation: "Classroom Computing with Fine Artist, Creative Writer and Art Gallery." Baltimore, Maryland.  
1993 National Art Education Association Annual Convention, Presentation: "Art, Writing and the Computer: A Whole Vision Strategy." Chicago, Illinois.  
1992 National Art Education Association Annual Convention, Paper accepted for presentation. Art Education in China After Tiananmen Square.  
1992 "A Tiananmen Anniversary," The Kennesaw Review. Spring, Vol. 3.  
1991 "A Chinese Lunch: Cultural Training and Doing Business." *International Focus*, Spring/Summer, 1991, Kennesaw State University.

- 1990 "Fishing Leads to International Understanding." *Marietta Daily Journal* , July 3, 1990.
- 1988 Book Review "Art In Focus ." *The Bulletin of the Caucus on Social Theory and Art Education*,  
*Spring, 1988*.
- 1985 Kennesaw College Art Major Proposal. University System of Georgia Board of Regents. Approved and implemented in 1986.
- 1982 *Formative Influences of Secondary Education on the Artistic Development of Twenty-four Recognized American Artists*. Doctoral Dissertation, University of Georgia.

#### HONORS AND SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS

- 2002 Administration and Supervision Art Educator of the Year. Presented by the Georgia Art Education Association.
- 1990 Honorary Consular-Jiangsu International Cultural Exchange Center, Nanjing, China.
- 1990 Distinguished Teaching Award Semi-Finalist, Kennesaw State University.
- 1988 Levy Award Recipient for Private Enterprise Education (\$7,500 cash award). Presented by the Freedoms Foundation.
- 1985 Distinguished Service Award Recipient presented by Kennesaw State University.
- 1983 Nominated for Dissertation Awards in Visual Arts Research by the art education faculty, University of Georgia. Twenty page abstract submitted for national competition.
- 1981 Distinguished Service Award in Art Education Recipient. Presented by the Clarke County Alliance for Arts Education, Athens, Georgia.

#### MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL AND HONOR SOCIETIES

Omicron Delta Kappa, Leadership Fraternity.  
 Kappa Delta Pi, Honor Society in Education.  
 Blue Key Honor Society. (Honorary Member).  
 Golden Key National Honor Society Honorary Member  
 Phi Kappa Pi, Scholastic Honor Society (1991 Charter Member of Kennesaw State University Chapter)