

RUTH BARDENSTEIN

EDUCATION

MFA, GRAPHIC DESIGN & INSTALLATION | 2010 | Eastern Michigan University

BFA COURSEWORK | 2004 – 2008 | Eastern Michigan University

BOOKBINDING, BOOK & PAPER ARTS COURSEWORK AND WORKSHOPS | 1997 – present

- Hollander's School of Book and Paper Arts, Ann Arbor, MI
- Attained Master's level with over 500 hours of workshops

PAPER & BOOK INTENSIVE | 2012, 2013, 2014, 2016 | Ox Bow School for the Arts

BOOK ART SEMINARS | Spring 2003, Spring 2004 | Siena Heights University, Adrian, MI

INTERNSHIP IN BOOK ARTS & EDITION BINDING | 2003 – 2004 | Bloodroot Press, Ann Arbor, MI

M.S. OPERATIONS RESEARCH | 1982 | M.I.T., Cambridge, MA

B.A. MATHEMATICS & ECONOMICS | 1978 | University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

SELECTED JURIED EXHIBITIONS

FLUXJOB | Minnesota Center for Book Arts, Minneapolis, MN | 2014

BOOK AND PAPER ART | WSG Gallery Ann Arbor, MI | 2013

WALLBOUND | Atlanta Institute of Art – Decatur Decatur, GA | 2012

BEYOND WORDS: A CELEBRATION OF BOOK ARTS 2011 | WSG Gallery Ann Arbor, MI | 2011

WORDS AND NUMBERS | Union Street Gallery Chicago Heights, IL | 2011

GRADUATE STUDENT ART SHOW | Eastern Michigan University | 2010

GIFTS OF ART EXHIBITION | University of Michigan Hospital Taubman Gallery Ann Arbor, MI | 2009

BEYOND WORDS: A CELEBRATION OF BOOK ARTS 2009 | WSG Gallery Ann Arbor, MI | 2009

BOOKENDS: THE BOOK AS ART | Pyramid Atlantic Art Center Silver Spring, MD and Target Gallery, Alexandria, VA | 2009

BEYOND WORDS 2008 | WSG Gallery Ann Arbor, MI | 2008

COLLABORATION | Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti, MI | 2009

STRUCTURE | Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti, MI | 2009

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT ART SHOW | Eastern Michigan University Ypsilanti, MI | 2007

BEYOND WORDS 2007 | WSG Gallery Ann Arbor, MI | 2007

MICHIGAN BOOK ARTS EXHIBIT | The Library of Michigan Lansing, MI | 2004

SELECTED SOLO, GROUP & INVITATIONAL EXHIBITIONS

THE COLLECTIVE IMPULSE: NEW WORK BY RUTH BARDENSTEIN, JEAN BUESCHER BARTLETT, AND SUSAN MORAN | Crooked Tree Art Center Gallery, Petoskey, MI | 2020 & Crooked Tree Art Center Gallery in Traverse City, MI | 2021

STRUCTURAL ELEMENTS: CONTEMPORARY BOOK ARTS | Hatch Art Gallery, Hamtramck, MI | 2019

BEYOND WORDS: A CELEBRATION OF BOOK ARTS | WSG Gallery, Ann Arbor, MI | 2018

EATING INSECTS | University of Georgia, Athens, GA | 2018

INVISIBLE CITIES | Constellation Studios, Lincoln, NE | 2016

DIMENSIONS | Taubman Center, UM Hospital, Ann Arbor, MI | 2016

BOOK AND PAPER ARTS | WSG Gallery, Ann Arbor, MI | 2016

RUTH BARDENSTEIN SOLO SHOW | The Amster Gallery, Jewish Community Center, Ann Arbor, MI | 2014 – 15

RUTH BARDENSTEIN MIXED MEDIA | Kerrytown Concert House, Ann Arbor, MI | 2013

ORIGINS + ENDINGS: EXPERIMENTS IN COLLABORATION | Creative Rights Exhibit, Detroit, MI | 2013

EMERGING ARTISTS ANN ARBOR | Gallery One, Washtenaw Community College, Ann Arbor, MI | 2012 – 2013

A CELEBRATION OF BOOK ARTS IN ANN ARBOR | Ann Arbor District Library, Ann Arbor, MI | 2012

DRUM LEAF BOOKS | WSG Gallery, Ann Arbor, MI | 2012

HOW TO OPEN A BOOK: AN EXPLORATION OF BOOK ARTS | Mott Community College Fine Arts Gallery, Flint, MI | 2011

IN[VISIBLE] ARCHITECTURES | Eastern Michigan University Student Gallery, Ypsilanti, MI | 2010

- Solo MFA Thesis Exhibit

DISTURBED CATENARY | WSG Gallery, Ann Arbor, MI | 2010

- Installation and companion book, collaboration with Barbara Brown

THEATER BOOKS | WSG Gallery, Ann Arbor, MI | 2010

PROJECT TWO | Eastern Michigan University Ypsilanti, MI | 2009

PROJECT ONE | Eastern Michigan University Ypsilanti, MI | 2009

EMU GRADUATE ART EXHIBITION | Eastern Michigan University Ypsilanti, MI | 2007

AMA 2009 ART EXHIBITION | Riverside Arts Center Ypsilanti, MI | 2007

ADAM AND EVE EXHIBITION | Riverside Arts Center Ypsilanti, MI and Holland Area Arts Council, Holland, MI | 2006

COLLECTIONS

"WITTGENSTEIN STUDY: TO IMAGINE A LANGUAGE IS TO IMAGINE A FORM OF LIFE" | University of Michigan Art and Design Library, Ann Arbor, MI | 2018

"A VERY BRIEF SURVEY OF BOOK DESIGN AND TYPOGRAPHY FROM 1400 TO 1900" | University of Michigan Special Collections, Hatcher Graduate Library, Ann Arbor, MI | 2018

SELECTED PRESS

"WORKING MAGIC: 'BEYOND WORDS: A CELEBRATION OF BOOK ARTS IN 2018' AT WSG GALLERY," | by K.A. Letts for Pulp | October 31, 2018

"STAMPS ALUMS AND LECTURERS EXHIBIT AT WSG," | Stamps School of Art & Design Alumni News | October 22, 2018

SELECTED HONORS & AWARDS

RECOGNITION AWARD FOR ARTISTIC EXCELLENCE | Eastern Michigan University | 2009

DOROTHY LAMMING MFA SCHOLARSHIP | 2008 – 2009

HONORABLE MENTION AWARD | Undergraduate EMU Student Show | 2007

SELECTED BOOK DESIGN EXPERIENCE

ON THE FINDING OF OX GALLS AND THE MAKING OF OX GALL INK | Artists Book | 2013

- Collaboration with Molly Nuzzo, hand-sewn and bound, Edition of 3

ENERGY: CHARLES MCGEE AT EIGHTY-FIVE | Published by Eastern Michigan University | 2009

- Book design and cover design for 100-page Exhibition Catalog (distributed by Wayne State University Press)

A VERY BRIEF SURVEY OF BOOK DESIGN AND TYPOGRAPHY FROM 1400 TO 1900 | Artists Book | 2008

- Original research paper on book and type design of printings of Chaucer's Canterbury Tales, book design, hand-sewn and bound, Edition of 2.

TWO THINGS | Published on-demand by Lulu.com | 2004

- Content, book design and cover design

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

SPEAKER - EXPERIMENTAL TYPOGRAPHY IN BOOK ARTS | Kerrytown
Bookfest | 2013

TEACHING ASSISTANT - FABRICS & FIBERS IN BOOK ARTS | EMU Parsons
Center for Arts and Sciences | 2013

VISITING ARTIST | WSG Gallery | Ann Arbor, MI | 2013

MAPPING COLLABORATIVE - FALL RESIDENCY | EMU Parsons Center for Arts
and Sciences | 2012

TEACHING ASSISTANT - THE HAND PRINTED BOOK | EMU Parsons Center for
Arts and Sciences | 2012

ARTIST IN RESIDENCE - SUMMER RESIDENCY | Hollanders School of Book and
Paper Arts | 2011, 2012

ADJUNCT LECTURER - BOOK ARTS | Eastern Michigan University | 2011, 2012

INSTRUCTOR OF RECORD - ART101: FOUNDATIONS OF ART | Eastern
Michigan University | 2010

CONSULTING VISUAL EDITOR | Bathhouse Hypermedia Journal | 2010 – 2012

CO-CURATOR | Structure: MFA Student Show, Eastern Michigan University |
2009

CO-JUROR | Concordia Undergraduate Art Show, Concordia University | 2009

GRADUATE ASSISTANT - ART HISTORY | Eastern Michigan University | 2008 –
2009

MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT - BURNS PARK CONSULTING | Ann Arbor, MI |
1994 – present

- Consulting services to industry, government and non-profits specializing in strategic decision making, strategy development and implementation.