

# Brendin A. Kinsey

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## Education

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BA Graphic Design, Arkansas Tech University, Russellville, AR, 2000-2004

BA Art Education, Arkansas Tech University, Russellville, AR, 2007

MA Art Education, Art of Education University, Osage, IA, 2021-present (in progress)

## Employment

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### **Arkansas Tech University, Russellville, AR, Adjunct Professor of Art, 2022-present**

I currently teach drawing, color design, and graphic design courses at the university. I am also an active member of the Norman Hall Gallery Committee and assist in reviewing proposed artists and work to be exhibited for the upcoming calendar year.

### **University of the Ozarks, Clarksville, AR, Adjunct Professor of Art, 2023-present**

I currently teach color design at the university as an adjunct professor of art.

### **River Valley Art Center, Russellville, AR, Art Instructor, 2023-present**

I currently manage the pottery studio and ceramics program, assist in facilitating and creating instructor training and in-service, assist with exhibition set-up, and help to promote community involvement.

### **Russellville AR School District, Sequoyah Elementary, K-4 Art Teacher, 2009-2023**

I developed an art education program that was cross-curricular, connecting interaction between each student's creative expressions and their appreciation for art. The art program provided maximum opportunity for students to have hands-on experiences in producing their art, enhanced by the integration of art history, art criticism and aesthetic critiques, and STEAM concepts. My program was designed to encourage perceptual awareness, through the involvement of all of the senses, and allows for the integration of other curriculums, as art readily relates to all educational experiences. Students established a continuing education of art methods and processes beginning in Kindergarten and explored skills in drawing, painting, collage, mixed-media, fiber art, printmaking, ceramics, 3D printing, animation, and sculpture.

## Qualifications

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Arkansas Art Educators and National Art Education Association Member,  
2007-present

Russellville School District Teacher of the Year Committee, 2012  
(I facilitated faculty meetings across the district and served on a committee that developed an improved teacher of the year program for RSD).

Sequoyah Elementary After School Art Facilitator, 2012-2023  
(I created a weekly after-school art program that focused on advancing art skills in drawing, painting, fiber art, and ceramics and introducing local artists and art careers within our community to my students).

Arkansas Art Educators Board of Directors, Elementary Division Director, 2012-2019  
(I worked on the board and council of AAE to help facilitate and plan yearly state conferences and to provide a support network for other elementary art teachers across the state).

Arkansas Art Educators Western Regional Art Show Director, 2014-2016  
(Organized annual K-12 grade art shows for our region, spanning from Conway to Fort Smith and assisted with AAE State Art Exhibitions).

Arkansas Art Educators Conference Workshop Presenter, Little Rock, AR,  
2014-2020

Sequoyah STEAM Advanced Education Committee, Russellville School District,  
2016-2023  
(I served on this committee to assist in developing a STEAM program for my school and worked through the accreditation process with Cognia).

Sequoyah Elementary Yearbook Editor and Facilitator, 2016-2020

Arkansas STEM Summit Conference Facilitator/Presenter, Little Rock, AR, 2017-2018

Outschool Global Online Platform Teacher, 2020-2022  
(During the pandemic I taught art classes to K-12 students virtually across the United States, Canada, and Europe).

Russellville School District Summer Enrichment Program Teacher, 2021  
(I developed and facilitated a two-week art curriculum for summer enrichment students/collaborated with artist Winston Taylor).

Windgate Artist in Residence program collaboration with Arkansas Tech University/Jade Hoyer, Andrew Malczewski, and Haylee Bolinger, 2021-present (All artists in residences have collaborated with my students to produce large-scale, collaborative art pieces for the Russellville community).

River Valley Art Center Artist Invitational Exhibition Juror, 2022

## **Skills**

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Drawing, painting, ceramics, watercolor, fiber art, 2D and 3D design, sculpture, graphic design, color theory, PC and Mac platforms, art history, photography, STEM and STEAM, CAD and 3D printer programming and design. Strong communication and collaboration skills, fine art and art education advocate, and experience with community outreach and exhibition setup.

## **Honors and Awards**

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Sequoyah Elementary Teacher of the Year, 2011  
Russellville School District Teacher of the Year, 2011  
Arkansas Elementary Art Teacher of the Year, AAE, 2017

## **Grants Awarded**

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Junior Auxiliary of Russellville TAG Grant, Russellville AR, 2011-2013  
(I received this grant twice and was able to fund and develop a printmaking program for students including materials and a printing press).

Square 1 Art Fundraiser Chair, Russellville, AR, 2013-2023  
(I facilitated this fundraiser yearly to maintain my ceramics program and it enabled me to purchase a kiln for my school).

## **Exhibitions**

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Arkansas Tech University Student Exhibition, Russellville, AR, 2004  
Drawing at the Depot Exhibition, Juried Show, Russellville, AR, 2005  
Arkansas Tech University Faculty Biennial Exhibition, Russellville, AR 2022  
River Valley Art Center Multi-Artist Exhibition, Russellville, AR 2023

## Collections

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Arkansas Tech University, Norman Hall, Russellville, AR

## References

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