

# JESSICA DENNIS

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## Education

### B.A. Fine Art 2006

Taylor University; Upland, IN

Concentrations in Painting and Drawing

Recipient of drawing awards, Mitchell Student art show

Purchase of artwork by Taylor's Art Department

"Superior" achievement in Senior Exhibition

## Professional Experience

### Graphic Designer

August 2006 - May 2008

Crossway Books, Wheaton, IL

Designs book covers, book interiors, adds, brochures, edit copy

Organize and handle reprints and redesigns

Handle pre-press preparations

Communicate with authors and printers about design and printing issues

### Free-lance Graphic Designer

May 2006 - present

Various Employers

Design book covers, adds, brochures, invitations

### Shop Partner

June 2007- December 2008

The Side Room, Wheaton IL

Started small business with mom and sister, collects, redesigns and sells furniture and home accessories, artwork

Coordinate events, design advertisements, collect and refinish furniture

Coordinate store design and displays, installations

### Art Teacher

Fall 2007 - Spring 2008

Self Employed

Teach private weekly art lessons to children between ages 4-10

Plan, prepare, and demonstrate lessons

### Part-time High School Art Teacher

August 2006 - May 2007

Chicago Hope Academy, Chicago, IL

Prepared lessons for all freshman students

Taught art history, contemporary issues

Introduced and worked with a range of mediums and methods

Prepared and curated student art-show



**Part-time Kindergarten Art Teacher**

December 2005 - June 2006

Upland Elementary, Upland, IN

Prepared and presented lessons to kindergarten students

Worked with a range of materials and covered basic art history

**White-water Rafting, Backpacking, Rock climbing Guide**

Summers 2002-2007

Noah's Ark White Water Rafting Co., Buena Vista, CO

Led, guided and trained white water rafting, rock climbing, back-packing trips.

Worked with all ages and types of people.

## Selected Exhibitions

**Expo Art New York - Expo Art Montreal**

February 2009

New York City, NY

**Painting Installation (Season and Cycles Series) - Crossway Books**

November 2008

Wheaton, IL

**Painting Installation (Novia Triptych) - D W Johnson Photography**

September 2008

Naperville, IL

**The December House-Group Show**

December 2008

Geneva, IL

**Art Chicago -The ArtistProject 2008**

April 2008

Chicago, IL

**Home Show - Barrett and Erica Carlson**

March 2008

Glen Ellyn, IL

**Side Room Opening Show**

February 2008

Wheaton, IL

**The December House-Group Show**

December 2007

Geneva, IL

**Holy Trinity Art Show 2007**

December 2007

Chicago, IL

**Side Room Art Show 2007**

June 2007  
Wheaton, IL

**Minnetrista Annual Juried Art Show**

March 2006  
Muncie, Indiana

**Senior Art Exhibition 2006**

February 2006  
Upland, IN

**Minnetrista Annual Juried Art Show**

March 2005  
Muncie, Indiana

## Other

Attending Encaustic Painting Conference, 2009

Representation by Art Consulting firm, Soho Myriad 2008 - Present

Representation by ExpoArt Montreal Gallery, February 2009

Attended Post-Bachelor classes at the Art Institute of Chicago 2007

Second Place Drawing Achievement at Mitchell Art Show, 2006

“Superior” Achievement in Senior Project, Taylor University, 2006