

Resume Cynthia L. Penter

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I am a working artist, teacher, and media producer specializing in event photography and video.

Current positions:

I am an adjunct professor at Hiram College Dept. of Art. I teach four sections per year including Digital Photography, Film Production, Intermediate and Advanced Photography, and Digital Art.

Director of the Standing Rock International Short Film Festival, Kent, Ohio.

Wedding and event photography and videography, for Viddhartha Media Arts (my own company). I have recorded approx. 20 weddings, including one in France at a chateau.

Free lance video production and photography for local dance companies and area non profit organizations. Videography of the Cleveland World Festival at the Cleveland Cultural Gardens.

Past relevant positions:

1991 to present - Many past positions as Adjunct Faculty member at area colleges, universities, and other institutions teaching media production. Subject area included 16 mm film, video, and photography and digital photography and imaging, as well as film studies and appreciation.

Since 1989 Production of resume materials for local dancers, musicians, and other artists including Meg Louise Dance, Antaeus Dance Theatre, Dance Evert, Inlet Dance Theatre, and for Turkish dancer Sevi Bayraktar while she was working with Morrison Dance. Also recent videography of Erie Pa. Butoh dance company directed by Lani Weissbach.

2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013 Photographer for the annual SPACES benefits and other SPACES events.

2016, 2015 Photographer of the Cleveland Print Room Annual Benefit.

2014. Panelist for 2015 grants Ohio Arts Council Media Arts panel. Columbus Ohio.

2010 - 2014 Production work (shooting, lighting, audio) with Bryant Productions including cinematography on documentary in progress about Art and the Civil War, videotaping the Cleveland Pops Orchestra, etc.

2013 *Frank Green, An Artist's Life*. Co-Produced memorial exhibition at Tremont West Development Corp. I also made the memorial video shown at the Beachland Ballroom memorial celebration of Frank's life.

2011-2012 Director of the All-City Video and Photography Ensemble. Production of video promos for the All-City Musical, the Dept. of Arts Education, and Cleveland School of the Arts, CMSD. Videography and editing of dance performance video at the Rainey Institute, and staff portraits for the DAE CMSD website. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KML_7V3FST0

2011 Produced a series of photos of the Westside Market for Sherwin Williams lunch room, corporate headquarters.

2008 Production of a montage of performance art pieces by Frank Green and transfer of the original works to DVD for Tremont art show at Jean Brandt Gallery.

2007 Production of promotional video for the Cleveland Institute of Art Visual Arts and Technologies Environment.

2006 Volunteer host at New Media Consortium Summer Conference, Cleveland Institute of Art and Case Western Reserve University.

2005 Artworks video for Young Audience for archives, funding proposals, and awards.

2002-2005 Production of numerous short videos for the organizations Young Audiences of Greater Cleveland (now the Center for Arts Inspired Learning) and ICARE, highlighting various school programs, artists, and/or recipients of their Annual Arts Educator Awards.

2000 Operator of video camera for local theater production of *Medea*, Kent, Ohio.

1994 Videographer for *The Scarlet Letters*, a performance piece at Cleveland Public Theatre by Frank Green, performance artist.

1987-1992 Access Production, Warner Cable Access Program, Akron, Ohio. Video productions for cable TV and various community organizations.

1989 Chief videographer for the 22nd Annual Kent State Folk Festival concerts. Produced two one-hour long programs for broadcast.

1988 Camera Operator for the 21st Annual Kent State Folk Festival.

1988 Awarded an Ohio Arts Council / Ohio Humanities Council Traditional Folk Arts Project - "The Art of the Gypsy Violin." Produced a video documentary about a local Hungarian American violinist in conjunction with audio recordings and concerts.

1987, 1988 Official Videographer for the Cuyahoga Valley Festivals, CVNRA park system. Multi-camera operation to document ethnic and folk artists.

1986 Free-lance photographic lab work, St. Gervais, Geneva, Switzerland.

1986 Radio production, Geneva, Switzerland. Editing weekly English-language radio program for local Amnesty International group aired in Switzerland, France, and Italy.

Selected Past Awards:

1986, 1982 **Individual Artist Fellowships, Ohio Arts Council.** One-year fellowships to produce new work in film.

1984 **AFI Mid-Atlantic Regional Media Arts Fellowship**, awarded by the American Film Institute, Pittsburgh Filmmakers and the Ohio Arts Council.

Five times chosen for residencies at the Experimental TV Center, Owego, New York.

Education:

1979 **BFA** Kent State University. Major: Studio Art, Film; Minor: Photography.

1983 **MFA** Kent State University. Major: Cinematography; significant courses in Photography. Post graduate certificate program Kent State University in New Media. Emphasis in digital video production, Photoshop, multimedia, web site design.

2010, 2011 Cuyahoga Community College. Updated skills with courses in photography, digital imaging, interactive media and web design.

Request CV for other relevant experiences including more teaching, consulting activities, exhibitions, grants, etc. References upon request.