## Laura Ashton Sellers

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#### **EDUCATION:**

Masters in Fine Art, Western Carolina University

Graduated December 2015, Total GPA: 3.89

Masters specialized in drawing and painting

Bachelor of Art & Design, North Carolina State University

Graduated May 2009, Total GPA: 3.94, Major GPA: 4.0

Education specialized in graphic design, web page design, photography, painting, drawing,

sculpture, art history and film

#### **TECHNICAL SKILLS:**

Software: Creative Cloud Software including Adobe In-Design, Illustrator, Photoshop, Dreamweaver,

Flash, After Effects and Microsoft Office

Printers: Ricoh Pro industrial printers, Fujifilm photo printers, industrial plotters, laser cutters,

Cameras: Nikon DSLR models up to D5000, external flashes, lenses and professional lighting equipment

#### **EXPERIENCE:**

Asheville-Buncombe Technical Community College and Nesbitt Discovery (STEM) Academy

Asheville, NC | Art Appreciation Adjunct Instructor from January 2016 - Present

Western Carolina University

Cullowhee, NC I Adjunct Professor for Intro. to Drawing from August 2015 - December 2016

Adjunct Professor of 2-Dimensional Design from August 2014 - May 2015

Adjunct Professor of Plein Air Landscape Painting in Summer 2015

MFA Assistantship from August 2013 - May 2014

Asheville-Buncombe Technical Community College

Asheville, NC | Graphic Design and Print Specialist | February 2011 - June 2013

Part time and full time graphic designer of large commercial publications, in-house

print publications, and college event photographer

Wine and Design Asheville

Asheville, NC | Painting Instructor | December 2011 to 2012

Part time teacher of community painting classes

Sharpshooter Imaging at Biltmore Estate

Asheville, NC | Photographer/Lab Technician | June 2010 to February 2011

Full time portrait photographer, printer, and salesperson for Biltmore Portraits at Biltmore Estate

### AWARDS:

Nominated for First Year Advocate Award for first year teachers

Honors Society 2013 - 2015

Juried into the Art Auction for North Carolina Museum of Art in 2012

Excellence in Art & Design Award 2009

Phi Beta Kappa Honors Society

Deans List every semester from Fall 2005 - Spring 2009

## **EXHIBITIONS:**

Collaborative WCU MFA Exhibtion at the Bascom Museum in Highlands, NC in 2016

Thesis Exhibition in the Western Carolina University Fine Art Museum in 2015

Collaborative Exhibition with the Asheville Area Arts Council in the Grove Arcade in 2015

Collaborative Exhibition in Asheville Regional Airport in 2014

Solo exhibition in Brown Mountain Bottleworks in Morganton, NC 2014 - Present

Collaborative WCU MFA Exhibition at the Bascom Museum in Highlands, NC in 2014

Collaborative WCU MFA Exhibition at the Tannery Studios in River Arts District, Asheville, NC in 2014

Collaborative WCU MFA Exhibition at the Fatty Gallery in Sylva, NC in 2014

Solo exhibition in the Colburn Earth Science Museum in Asheville, NC in 2012