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EDUCATION

2011	Ph.D. (with distinction), Johns Hopkins University, Dept. of the History of Art.
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Dissertation: Vibrant Icons: Titian's Art and the Tradition of Christian Image-Making.

Committee: Stephen J. Campbell, first reader; Mitchell Merback, second reader; Herbert L. Kessler; Walter Stephens; Nancy Struever.

2005 M.A. in the History of Art, Johns Hopkins Univ., Dept. of the History of Art.

2003 B.A. with honors, University of Notre Dame Majors: Art History and Italian Literature

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

August 2014 - Assistant Professor, History of Art and Architecture. University of Pittsburgh.

PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Forthcoming	"A Stone Through the Window of Art History: Paintings on Stone and the
	Legacy of Pictorial Illusionism." Steinformen. Materialität - Qualität – Imitation,
	edited by Isabella Augart, Maurice Saß, and Iris Wenderholm (de Gruyter).
2018	"A Role-Based Model for Successful Collaboration in Digital Art History,"
	co-authored essay written in collaboration with Tracey Berg-Fulton, Alison
	Langmead, Thomas Lombardi, and David Newbury. International Journal for
	Digital Art History 3 (2018).
2018	"The Matter of Similitude: Stone Paintings and the Limits of
	Representation," in La pittura poco meno che eterna': Paintings on Stone and
	Material Innovation, edited by Elena Calvillo and Piers Baker-Bates (Brill).
2017	"Graphic Exegesis: Reflections on the Difficulty of Talking About Biblical
	Images, Pictures, and Texts," in The Art of Visual Exegesis: Rhetoric, Texts,
	Images (Emory Studies in Early Christianity), edited by Vernon K. Robbins,
	Walter S. Melion, and Roy R. Jeal (Atlanta: SBL Press, 2017), 271-302.
2017	"Titian's Ecce Homo on Slate: Stone, Oil, and the Transubstantiation of
	Painting." The Art Bulletin 99:1 (March 2017), 36-66.
	http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/00043079.2017.1265285

2016	"Titian's Christ and the Coin: Recovering the Spiritual Currency of
	Numismatism in Renaissance Ferrara." Renaissance Quarterly 69/2, 449-88.
	DOI: http://dx.doi.org/10.1086/687607
2016	"Figuring Miraculous Agency Between Literature and Art: An Analysis and
	Translation of Eustachio Celebrino's Li stupendi et marauigliosi miracoli del
	glorioso Christo di San Roccho (ca. 1523)." MLN 131:1, 20-56. DOI:
	http://dx.doi.org/10.1353/mln.2016.0008
2015	"The Hypnerotomachia Poliphili and Italian Art Circa 1500: Mantegna, Antico,
	and Correggio." Word & Image: A Journal of Verbal/Visual Enquiry, 31:2, 140-
	154, DOI: http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/02666286.2015.1023020
2015	"Titian's Miracles: Artistry and Efficacy Between the San Rocco Christ and
	the Accademia Pietà." Mitteilungen des Kunsthistorischen Institutes in Florenz (Max-
	Planck-Institut), LVII.3, 320-349. http://www.jstor.org/stable/43738211
2014	"Stylizing Eros: Narrative Ambiguity and the Discourse of Desire in Titian's
	So-Called Salome," in Renaissance Love: Eros, Passion, and Friendship in Italian Art
	around 1500, edited by Jeanette Kohl, Marianne Koos and Adrian Randolph
	(Berlin: Deutscher Kunstverlag, I Mandorli series), 23-44.
	https://www.academia.edu/8074326/ Stylizing Eros in Renaissance Love
	<u>Titians Judith Salome</u>

EXHIBITION REVIEWS, BOOK REVIEWS, AND REFERENCE ENTRIES

2017	Entry on the Scuola Grande di San Rocco for Merlo's Map: The Religious
	Geography of Venice, an interactive map produced by the Newberry Library.
	http://publications.newberry.org/venice/
2012	Exhibition review of The Renaissance Portrait From Donatello to Bellini. Berlin,
	Bode-Museum and New York, Metropolitan Museum. Catalogue edited by
	Keith Christiansen and Stefan Weppelmann (New Haven and London:
	Metropolitan Museum of Art, distributed by Yale University Press, 2011).
	Tabula Quarterly: International Review of Exhibitions and Books on Art, Winter
	2012. http://tabulaquarterly.com/winter-2012.php#review5
2011	Book Review of Jodi Cranston, The Muddied Mirror: Materiality and Figuration in
	Titian's Later Paintings (University Park: Pennsylvania State University Press,
	2010). Published in Renaissance Quarterly 64 (2011), 184-186.
2007	"Eros," in The Encyclopedia of Sex, Love and Culture. Volume 3, The Early Modern
	Period, edited by Victoria Mondelli. Westport: Greenwood, 2007, pgs. 78-80.

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, & SCHOLARLY SOCIETIES

2017	Visiting Fellow, Centre for Research in the Arts, Social Sciences and
(Michaelmas term	Humanities (CRASSH), Cambridge University
2017-18	American Council of Learned Societies Fellowship for the project Matter and
	Similitude in Italian Painting and The Transatlantic Renaissance
2017, fall term	Junior Research Fellow. Humanities Center, University of Pittsburgh
(declined)	(internal fellowship with course release)
2013-14	Fellow, Mellon Foundation Sawyer Seminar, "Visual Exegesis: Images as
	Instruments of Scriptural Interpretation and Hermeneutics."
2011-13	Fellow, Penn Humanities Forum. University of Pennsylvania

2010	Charles S. Singleton Graduate Fellowship for Study in Europe.
2008-10	Samuel H. Kress Pre-Doctoral Fellow in the History of Art at the
	Kunsthistorisches Institut, Florence.
2008-09	Gladys Krieble Delmas Grant for Independent Research in Venice and the
	Veneto.
2008-09 (declined)	J. Clawson Mills Fellowship at the Metropolitan Museum of Art.
2007	Dean's Teaching Fellow in the Zanvyl Krieger School of Arts and Sciences at
	the Johns Hopkins University.
2006-07	Charles S. Singleton Fellow in Italian Studies at the Villa Spelman in
	Florence, Italy.

COURSES TAUGHT

At UPitt HAA 0302 Renaissance Art (large lecture with recitations)

HAA 0070 European Visual Traditions (gateway lecture)

HAA 0350 Baroque Art (small lecture)

HAA 1010 Venetian Renaissance Art: Local Histories, Global Stakes (capstone

seminar)

HAA 2300 Image, Art, Thing in Early Modern Europe (graduate seminar)

HAA 2007 *Historiography* (core curriculum graduate seminar)

HAA 1950 Honors Thesis Seminar (capstone seminar)

At UPenn: Italian Renaissance Art (lecture).

Courts of the Italian Renaissance (grad/undergrad seminar).

High Renaissance and Mannerist Art: Michelangelo, Raphael, Titian (small lecture). Deformed Pearls and Cultural Grit: Art in the Spanish Baroque World (capstone

seminar)

Italian Baroque Art (small lecture)

Art History 102: Renaissance to Contemporary (lecture)

At JHU: From Virgin to Venus: Venetian Painting and the Invention of Art (lecture).

Florence and Beyond: Art and Culture in the Central Italian Renaissance

(lecture course taught on site in Florence, Italy).

Image, Realism, and Vision in Northern European Renaissance Art (seminar).

INVITED LECTURES

2017	"Titian's Icons" - Italian Studies Research Seminar at the University of Notre Dame.
	Sept.
2017	"Titian, Colonna, and the Limits of Pictorial Devotion." New York University's,
	Villa La Pietra (Florence, Italy). April.
2017	"Creating Effective Interdisciplinary Collaborations in the Digital Humanities" (with
	Allison Langmead and David Newbury). Invited presentation at TEC: Technology,
	Entrepreneurship, Creativity at University of Pittsburgh, School of Information Sciences.
	February.
2016	"The Matter of Similitude: Stone Paintings and the Limits of Representation."
	Invited paper for a study day at the British School in Rome (La pittura poco meno che
	eterna: Paintings on Stone and Material Innovation).

- 2014 "Coins, Cabinets, and Christ: On the Agency of Titian's *Christ with the Coin*." The Inaugural James and Susanne Wilkinson Lecture on Outstanding Scholarship in Premodern Art.
- 2014 "How to Do Theology With Pictures: Prophecy and Fulfillment, Type and Antitype in Renaissance Art." The Candler School of Theology at Emory University. March.
- 2012 "Rome, 1545: Rerouting Titian Studies." Courtauld Institute of Art. London. December.
- Invited Respondent for the interdisciplinary conference Objects of Affection: Towards a Materiology of Emotions, hosted by the Program of Russian and Eurasian Studies at Princeton University. May 4-6, 2012.
- 2012 "On Obdurate Paintings." Lawrence University (Appleton, WI). April.
- 2012 "Hard Paintings." Cleveland Museum of Art and Case Western Reserve University. March.
- 2012 "Rupestrian Paintings." Oklahoma State University (Stillwater, OK). March.
- 2011 "Painting on Stone: Artistic Practice and the Meaning of Materials in Renaissance Image-Making." *Penn Humanities Forum*, University of Pennsylvania. November.

PAPERS PRESENTED

- 2017 "A Role-Based Model for Successful Collaboration in Digital Art History," *Keystone DH*, Chemical Heritage Foundation, Philadelphia, PA. July.
- 2016 "The Splendor of Impurity: Painted Stones and the Matter of Early Modern Art." Purity and Contamination in Renaissance Art and Architecture, New England Renaissance Conference, held at MIT, Cambridge, MA.
- 2016 "The Matter of Similitude: Stone Paintings and the Limits of Representation." Steinformen. Materialität, Qualität, Imitation, international research group held at the Warburg Haus, Hamburg, Germany.
- 2015 "Let them fall down and worship thing: Lorenzo Valla's Renaissance Thing Theory." Agency of Things: New Perspectives on European Art of the 14th-16th Centuries, international symposium hosted by the University of Warsaw, Poland.
- 2015 "Imagined Miracles, or Manufactured Efficacy? Titian's *Pietà*." *Speculation, Imagination, and Misinterpretation in Medieval and Renaissance Art*, international conference hosted by the Art History Department at Tel Aviv University.
- 2015 "Dealing Honestly with Two-Faced Paintings: Thinking the *Paragone* Beyond Deception." College Art Association Annual Conference, New York.
- 2014 "Talking About Titian." Renaissance Society of America, Annual Conference. New York.
- 2013 "Titian and the Challenge of the (non)Local Hero." *Local Heroes*, a symposium to accompany the special exhibition, *Piero della Francesca in America*. The Frick Collection, New York. May.
- 2013 "Stones that Glow: On Matter, Spirit, and Light in Early Modern Picture Making." Capturing Light in Late Antique, Medieval and Early Modern Art, International Conference at the University of Haifa, Israel. January.
- 2012 "Non-Angetive Efficacy: Presence, Absence and the Ontological Entanglement of Miraculous Images." *Presence and Agency: Rhetoric, Aesthetics and the Experience of Art*, International Conference at the Leiden University Centre for the Arts in Society.
- 2012 "The Hypnerotomachia Poliphili and Italian Art Circa 1500." Architectures of the Text: An Inquiry into the Hypnerotomachia Poliphili, a symposium to celebrate the acquisition of

	the second edition of the Hypnerotomachia Poliphili by the University of Pennsylvania
	Libraries. 11 February, 2012.
2012	"Titian's Tribute Money: Numismatics and the Reconfiguration of Spiritual
	Reformation." Renaissance Society of America Annual Conference, Washington, DC
2012	"Rupestrian Paintings: On The Vibrant Ontology of Picture-Making in the Early
	Modern Period." College Art Association, Los Angeles. February.
2011	"Titian's Icons: Repetition, Innovation, and the Production of Presence." Multiples in
	Pre-Modern Art, International Conference at the Center for Advanced Studies,
	Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, Munich. November.
2010	"Manufacturing the Miraculous in Sixteenth-Century Italian Painting." Images at
	Work: Image and Efficacy from Antiquity to the Rise of Modernity, International Conference
	at the Kunsthistorisches Institut, Florence. October.
2010	"Reconsidering Eros in Titian's Salome / Judith," in "Portrayals of Love, Friendship
	and Desire in Italian Art Around 1500" at Renaissance Society of America Annual
	Conference, Venice, Italy. April.
2009	"Titian's Icons in the Era of Reformation." Renaissance Society of America Annual
	Conference, Los Angeles, California. March.

CONFERENCE SESSIONS ORGANIZED AND / OR CHAIRED

2017	Genealogies of Modernity. Summer Seminar at the Collegium Institute at the University of Pennsylvania. Art History seminar leader.
2015	Computational Visual Aesthetics: A Workshop About the Visual World and Digital Computing. Part of the "Intelligent Conversations" series in the Dietrich School of
	Arts & Science. Co-organized with Alison Langmead.
2015	Other Venice(s): Alternative Notions of Venetian Art I, II, & III, Renaissance Society of
	America annual conference, 2015. Co-organized with Giorgio Tagliaferro.
2014	Contemporaneity in Early Modern Visual Culture I & II, Sixteenth Century Studies
	Annual Conference, 2014. Respondent.
2012	Dialectics of Creation I and II, Renaissance Society of America annual conference, 2012.
	Sponsored by the Charles S. Singleton Center for Pre-Modern Studies. Co-organized with Jason Di Resta.
2012	Sicily: Architecture and Art III, Renaissance Society of America annual conference, 2012. Chair: session organized by Morten Steen Hansen.

RESEARCH LANGUAGES

Italian – Fluency in speaking, reading and composition German – Reading knowledge and basic conversation Spanish – Reading knowledge and basic conversation French – Reading Knowledge Latin – Reading knowledge