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## SUMMARY

As a seasoned publications professional with a creative bent, an ongoing hand in historical research, and an active role in managing a small business, I'm seeking opportunities to consult, edit, present, and teach short-term while continuing entrepreneurial and writing projects.

## EDUCATION & HONORS

- **Ph.D., American literature, University of South Carolina, 1998**  
Dissertation: "No Frigate Like a Book: The Hampshire Bookshop of Northampton, 1916–1971"  
Matthew J. Brucoli, director
- **M.A., American literature, University of South Carolina, 1994**  
Thesis: "Grace Hazard Conkling: An Imagist Poet"  
Patterson Fellowship
- **B.A., summa cum laude, Georgia College, 1990**  
Double major in English and art (concentration in book arts); minor in French  
Flannery O'Connor Scholarship for Emerging Writers
- **Certificate, Université de Tours, France, 1989**

## DISSERTATION SUMMARY

Described by Robert Frost as "one of the few bookshops in the world where books are sold in something like the spirit they were written in," the Hampshire Bookshop of Northampton, Mass., helped forge not only the business model for 20th-century bookselling but the literary tastes of its day. This documentary history draws from extensive archives at Smith College, business records of institutions such as the American Booksellers Association, and scores of firsthand interviews to analyze the societal and economic changes in which the Bookshop was an influential agent.

## PROFESSIONAL & TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- **Editor/Co-Owner, The Texas Spur** Spur, Texas, 2018–present  
Co-owner and business manager of community media firm, and editor of award-winning weekly newspaper published since 1909, plus two other award-winning community newspapers.
- **Managing Editor, Authentic Texas Magazine** 2016–2019  
Responsible for issue planning, content assignments, and developmental editing for statewide quarterly magazine of Texas heritage; involved in team since publication's founding in 2015.
- **Executive director, Texas Plains Trail Region** Lubbock and Spur, Texas, 2012–2019  
As director of a state-supported 501(c)(3) nonprofit initiative of the Texas Historical Commission, researched, planned, promoted, and implemented strategies to support economic development and historic preservation, via heritage tourism, in a 52-county region of the Texas Panhandle and Plains (largest of the state's 10 such regions). Led volunteer board of some 15 regional representatives.
- **Founding editor, Lone Star Literary Life / Bookadelphia** Lubbock, Texas, 2015–2018  
Producer, content editor, and facilitator for Texas's first comprehensive weekly resource for book news, reviews, and interviews; serve as editor and publisher for current book titles in literature, creative nonfiction, and history.

- **Marketing manager, Texas Tech University Press** Lubbock, Texas, 2007–2012  
Responsible for planning, sales, marketing, promotion, and publicity for 25 to 30 new books per year and backlist of some 400 titles. Helped organize and manage annual Literary Lubbock event. Awarded AAUP Whiting Week-in-Residence grant, 2010.
- **Director, The Publishing Laboratory; lecturer in creative writing**  
**University of North Carolina Wilmington** 2002–2007  
Established innovative program to teach writing students about book publishing through hands-on experience, including management of a regional book imprint and digital printer and bindery. Developed MFA and BFA curriculum in publishing and taught full load of courses in writing, editing, and publishing. Secured grant for equipping laboratory with state-of-the art computers and software; designed suite of classrooms and lab for new creative writing building. Served on Chancellor's Web Development Committee to assess and craft campuswide image.
- **Publisher, and editor, Winoca Books & Media** 2004–present. Publisher of regional independent press with twenty fiction, nonfiction, and poetry titles in print: [www.winoca.com](http://www.winoca.com)
- **Editorial consultant** 1986–2002. Freelance design, editorial consultation, and book cover production for clients nationwide, including Duke University Press, the University of South Carolina Press, the *Flannery O'Connor Bulletin*, the National Middle School Association, and numerous individuals and independent presses. Editorial work on reference and nonfiction books, including volumes of *Dictionary of Literary Biography*. Research work for novelist John Jakes.
- **Managing editor, University of South Carolina Press** 1999–2002  
Responsible for managing all manuscript editorial functions, overseeing some fifty titles per year through to production. Copyedited ten to twelve books each year in-house; budgeted funds for freelance editing and proofreading of all others. Supervised staff of two full-time editors. Established fully funded graduate assistantship in conjunction with SHARP.
- **Wesleyan College** Macon, Georgia, 1996–1999  
**Assistant vice president for marketing.** As member of president's administrative council, advised administration on policy and public relations issues, with an aim toward raising the visibility and reputation of the world's first college for women. Achieved national and international recognition.  
**Director of public relations & publications.** Responsible for planning and implementing a comprehensive, award-winning program of media relations, publications, special events, advertising, and marketing.
- **Managing editor, Papers of the Bibliographical Society of America** Columbia, South Carolina, 1993–1996. Produced quarterly issues of scholarly journal in-house. Oversaw transition of journal production from traditional letterpress to digital composition. Responsible for copyediting and composing *PBSA* on regular schedule as well as dealing with contributors, reviewers, advertisers, and printers; managed business of journal while editor was on year-long research leave.
- **Director of publications & creative services, Georgia College** Milledgeville, Georgia, 1990–1993. Managed award-winning publications and advertising programs as well as overall operations of department (budgeting and purchasing; long-range planning; computer systems) and staff of six.
- **Advertising manager, OfficeTeam Services** Milledgeville, Georgia, 1986–1990

#### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- **Workshops and seminars, 2012–present.** Hour-long to all-day presentations on writing, editing, design, marketing, and book business, by invitation. (See [www.ParagraphRanch.com](http://www.ParagraphRanch.com))  
Supervised student interns in production of print and online content related to Texas heritage.
- **Internships, Texas Tech University and Wayland Baptist University, 2013–2017**  
Supervised student interns in production of print and online content related to Texas heritage.

- **Publishing Practicum/Internships, UNCW, 2004–2007**  
Supervised several graduate teaching assistants and undergraduate interns each term in the Publishing Laboratory, focusing on project management, software skills, and business of publishing. Guided students in launch of new literary journal, *Ecotone*, and publication of numerous regional and literary book projects.
- **Editing Fact and Fiction, UNCW, 2004–2007**  
Developed concurrent graduate/undergraduate course focusing on preparing fiction and nonfiction manuscripts for production, and preparing apprentice writers to work with editors.
- **Books and Book Publishing, UNCW, 2003–2007**  
Taught undergraduate survey of book publishing, considering stages in production cycle from author to consumer as well as historical and ideological concepts of “the book.”
- **Bookbuilding, UNCW, 2005–2007**  
Taught application of desktop publishing and print-on-demand technology to the design and manufacture of books, culminating in each student’s production of a chapbook of original work.
- **Pathways courses in book publishing, 2005–2007**  
Worked with community writers to introduce them to book publishing options and guided them to identify the best publishing plan for their manuscripts. Series included the popular “Build a Book in a Day” workshop in the Publishing Laboratory.
- **Book Publishing Intensive, UNCW, 2006**  
Short course involving select team of students in producing a book from start to finish.
- **Introduction to Desktop Publishing, UNCW, 2003, 2004.** Developed first course in desktop publishing for the Publishing Laboratory, using high-end software in Macintosh laboratory. Guided students in producing department’s first anthology of MFA writing.
- **Editing for Book Publishing, UNCW, 2003.** Developed undergraduate course focusing on the practice of book editing while surveying the profession.
- **Theory and Practice of Editing, UNCW, 2003.** Taught course in Windows laboratory setting. Guided students in editing and designing a book on local history as group project.
- **Introduction to Technical Writing, UNCW, 2002–03.** Taught sections of technical writing in Windows laboratory setting.
- **College Reading and Writing II, UNCW, 2002–03.** Taught sections of second-year composition, with theme of reading, books, and textuality.
- **Introduction to Desktop Publishing, Macon State College, 1999.** Developed first course in desktop publishing design, applications, and history, for college’s new Information Technology major.
- **Guest lecturer in public relations classes, Wesleyan College, 1997–1999**
- **Freshman Composition, Georgia College, 1996.** Developed course approach using theme of books and literacy.
- **Faculty/staff workshops in desktop publishing, Georgia College, 1993**
- **“Technologies for the 21st Century” (desktop publishing), Georgia College in Macon, 1992**
- **Sessions in commercial design for art classes, Georgia College, 1989, 1991**
- **Classes in beginning and intermediate calligraphy, Atlanta and middle Georgia, 1980–1986**

## PUBLICATIONS

### *Books*

- (As Will Brandon) *The Wolf Hunt: A Tale of the Texas Badlands*, Five Star Publishing, April 2021. Finalist, Will Rogers Medallion Award; finalist, Western Fictioneers Award.
- *Literary Texas: A Guide to the State’s Bookish Destinations* (with Kay Ellington), Boldface Books, 2016
- *Give a Cup of Water: A Paragraph Ranch Tale* (Booktrope, 2015; repr. Boldface Books, 2016; Lone Star Audio, 2016)
- *A Wedding at the Paragraph Ranch* (with Kay Ellington; Booktrope, 2015; repr. Boldface Books, 2016; Lone Star Audio, 2016)
- *The Paragraph Ranch* (with Kay Ellington; Booktrope, 2014; repr. Boldface Books, 2016; Lone Star Audio, 2016)
- *The Ferries of North Carolina: Traveling the State’s Nautical Highways* (self-published, 2007)
- *Pawn Title/Keep Car and Other Poems* (Malden, Mass., Scriptor Press, 2001)

*Academic articles and chapters*

- “A Grande Dame Shines Again: Big Spring’s Hotel Settles during Eighty-five Years of Boom, Bust, and Boom,” *West Texas Historical Review*, vol. 93 (2017).
- “The Ballad of Maggie Au France,” *Journal of the Wild West History Association* 9:3 (September 2016).
- “Roscoe P. Conkling: The Man Who Tracked the Butterfield Overland Mail,” *West Texas Historical Review*, vol. 92 (December 2016), 41.
- “Tourism Takes Teamwork! Creative Partnerships for CVB Synergy,” *Texas Town & City*, April 2016; reprinted in *Current Municipal Problems*, 2016
- “‘We Have Come to Stay’: The Hampshire Bookshop of Northampton,” in *Middlemen: The Bookstore and Twentieth-Century Literature* (ed. Huw Osborne, David Eberly, and Ted Bishop; Ashgate, 2015).
- “Ben Dixon MacNeill’s *The Hatterasman*: The Making of a Carolina Classic,” under consideration by *Papers of the Bibliographical Society of America*.
- “The University of Chicago Press” in *American University Presses*, ed. Cecile M. Jagodzinski, forthcoming in *Dictionary of Literary Biography* (Detroit, Mich.: Gale).
- “The Laser Printer As an Agent of Change,” in *Agent of Change: Print Culture Studies after Elizabeth L. Eisenstein*, ed. Baron, Lindquist, and Shevlin. Amherst: University of Massachusetts Press, 2007. Adapted from earlier article in *Publishing Research Quarterly* (winter 2001).
- “The Pioneering Journey of the Hampshire Bookshop,” in *Paradise Printed and Bound: Book Arts in Northampton and Beyond*, ed. Barbara Blumenthal (Northampton 350th Celebration Committee, 2004).
- “Building a Database of American Women Booksellers,” *SHARP News* 7:4 (Fall 1998), 3–4.
- “The Bookshop As ‘An Arsenal of Democracy’: Marion Dodd and the Hampshire Bookshop During World War II,” *PBSA* 92:1 (March 1998), 5–31.
- “Frank H. Dodd” and “James H. Gray” in *American National Biography* (Oxford University Press, 1998).
- “Robert Frost and the Conklings: An Added Chapter of ‘The Frost Story,’” *Robert Frost Review* (Fall 1996): 71–87.
- “John Jakes: A Checklist of Secondary Items, 1974–1994” in Mary Ellen Jones, *John Jakes: A Critical Companion* (Greenwood Press, 1996).

*Reviews*

- Review of Chera Hammons, *A Traveler’s Guide to Bomb City* (2017) in *Lone Star Literary Life* (Aug. 2018).
- Review of Cindy Huyser, *Burning Number Five: Power Plant Poems* (2014) in *Lone Star Literary Life* (17 Apr. 2016).
- Review of Vannetta Chapman, *Joshua’s Mission* (2106) in *Lone Star Literary Life* (21 Feb. 2016).
- Review of Jodi Thomas, *Rustler’s Moon* (2106) in *Lone Star Literary Life* (14 Feb. 2016).
- Review of Cathy Nickell, *Arthur Zarr’s Amazing Art Car* (2106) in *Lone Star Literary Life* (31 Jan. 2016).
- Review of Hawkins, ed., *Teaching Bibliography, Textual Criticism, and Book History* (2006) in *SHARP News* (2008).
- Review of David Finkelstein and Alistair McCleery, eds., *The Book History Reader* (2002) in *PBSA* 97:2 (June 2003).
- Review of Ad Hudler, *Househusband* (2002), in *The State* (Columbia, S.C.), 8 April 2002.
- Review of Robert A. Wilson, *Seeing Shelley Plain: Memories of New York’s Legendary Phoenix Book Shop* (2001) in *PBSA* 96:2 (June 2002).
- Review of Ruari McLean, *How Typography Happens* (2000) in *PBSA* 95:4 (December 2001).
- Review of Alan Bartram, *Making Books: Design in British Publishing since 1945* (1999) in *PBSA* 95:2 (June 2001).
- Review of Broderson, Luey, Morris, and Trujillo, *A Guide to Publishers’ Archives* (1996) and Weedon and Bott, *British Book Trade Archives 1830–1939: A Location Register* (1996), in *PBSA* 91:2 (June 1997).
- Review of Nils Palmborg, *La Collection des Elzeviers de Sten Broman* (1993) in *PBSA* 88:1 (March 1994).
- Review of Wayne G. Hammond and Douglas A. Anderson, *J. R. R. Tolkien: A Descriptive Bibliography* (1993) in *PBSA* 87:3 (September 1993).

*Selected short features and poems*

- “Fourteen,” top four winner of Maria W. Faust Sonnet Contest, July 2021
- “Paragraphs & Pixels” award-winning occasional newspaper column, 2019–present

- “Tales from the Trail” monthly heritage tourism newsletter, 2012–20; newspaper column, 2017–2019
- Texas travel features in *Authentic Texas* magazine, quarterly 2016–present
- “Hundredth Meridian,” in *Weaving the Terrain: Southwestern Poems* (ed. David Meischen and Scott Wiggerman; Poetry of the American Southwest, No. 3), Dos Gatos Press, 2017
- “The rock chip,” *Broad River Review*, 2017; finalist in Rash Award for Poetry, 2016
- “Elizabeth Deejaays at the Rusty Nail” and “Elizabeth Takes the Stage,” *Measure* 12:1 (Summer 2017, music issue)
- “The Tale of the Pi Characters, or, A Lay of the Case,” *Parody* 5:2 (October 2016)
- “Framed,” *Parody* 5:2 (October 2016)
- “Roscoe, July 1926” and “Margaret, June 1930,” in *Bearing the Mask: Southwest Persona Poems* (ed. Scott Wiggerman and Cindy Huyser; Poetry of the American Southwest, No. 2), Dos Gatos Press, 2016
- “King of Barnhill,” Honorable Mention, Wyoming Poets, December 2015
- “Barbara Brannon Hobnobs with the Crew of the Ferry *Gov. Edward Hyde*,” in *Voices from the Outer Banks* (ed. Stephen Kirk, John F. Blair, 2015)
- “Dexter,” *Light*, Winter/Spring 2015
- “At Land’s End,” *Kakalak Anthology*, 2014
- “The Established Vineyard,” *Cenacle*, Spring 2014
- “On the Texas Plains Trail” and “In Canyon Country,” ballads, 2014
- “Slip on Down to Schlitterbahn for Cool Family Fun,” *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal*, June 24, 2013
- “Canadian: Texas’s Far North Offers a Green Oasis of Music, Art, History and Fun,” *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal*, May 4, 2013
- “Celebrate St. Patrick’s Day in the Greenest Town: Shamrock,” *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal*, March 10, 2013
- “After Six Years of Renovations, Big Spring’s Luxury Hotel Reopens,” *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal*, Jan. 27, 2013
- “Texas Legends and Lore Live On in Palo Duro Country,” *Lubbock Magazine*, June 2009
- “You Can Get Away from It All,” Big Bend travel feature, *Lubbock Magazine*, March/April 2009
- “Holly’s Road to Hits: A Drive up U.S. 84,” in “Our Buddy: 1936–1959,” special Buddy Holly commemorative section, *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal*, Sun., Mar. 15, 2009
- “The Clovis Connection: The Norman Petty Recording Studio,” *Lubbock Magazine*, Jan./Feb. 2009
- “Roads, Rails, and Spanish Trails to Santa Fe,” *Lubbock Magazine*, Aug./Sept. 2008
- “Going Public: Preparing for the Book Reading,” *North Carolina Writers’ Network News*, Summer 2006.
- “Editing and the Creative Writer,” in *Show & Tell: Writers on Writing*, 5th ed. (UNCW Publishing Laboratory, 2006)
- “Serenity on South Sixth Street,” architectural feature, *Wilmington Magazine*, Summer 2005
- “Good Company” and “What to Name the Dinghy: Boat Names on Wilmington Waters,” *Wilmington Magazine*, September 2004
- “Giving Back,” series of profiles in philanthropy, *Wilmington Magazine*, Summer 2004
- “Burgaw to Barstow: Traveling America’s Midsection,” *Wilmington (N.C.) Star-News*, series of eleven feature articles with photographs, July 2003
- “Elizabeth Marries an Enlisted Man,” *Lonzie’s Fried Chicken*, Spring 2002
- “One Light through Many Windows,” *UU World*, November 2001. Lyrics subsequently arranged by three different composers for entry in annual hymn contest.
- “The Monolith,” *South Carolina Review* 33:2 (Spring 2001)
- “Asheville: Fire in the Wolfe House,” *Asheville Poetry Review*, Spring 2001
- “The Darkroom,” *Cenacle* 36 (June 2001)
- “Pawn Title, Keep Cat,” *Cenacle* 25 (June 1999)
- “China’s Soong Sisters at Wesleyan,” *Wesleyan Magazine*, Spring 1997
- “Life and Death on a Barrier Island,” feature on St. Catherine’s Island, Georgia, research and history, *Wesleyan Magazine*, Spring 1996
- “Marblehead,” *Yemassee*, Spring 1995
- “Blind Gator,” *Yemassee*, Fall 1994

## PRESENTATIONS

- “The Texas Spur Weekly and the Launch of a Plains Colony, 1909–1947,” West Texas Historical Association Annual Meeting, Lubbock, Texas, March 2022
- “Blast from the Past: Excavating History As Source and Inspiration,” Lubbock Book Festival, October 2021
- “Turning the Two-Lane into a Tourism Triumph,” Real Places Annual Conference, Austin, Texas, January 2020
- “Turning the Two-Lane into a Tourism Triumph,” West Texas Trails Association Annual Conference, Graham, Texas, October 2019



- “Blast from the Past: Excavating History As Source and Inspiration,” Women Writing the West 25th Annual Conference, San Antonio, Texas, October 2019
- “‘No Frigate like a Book’: Marion Dodd, Emily Dickinson, and the Hampshire Bookshop of Northampton,” SHARP Annual Conference, Amherst, Mass., July 2019
- “R. G. Carter’s *On the Border with Mackenzie: A Bibliographical Study*,” West Texas Historical Association Annual Meeting, Canyon, Texas, April 2019
- “Book Marketing with Old-School Smarts (+ New-Media Savvy),” High Plains Writers, Amarillo, Texas, January 2019
- With Holle Humphries and Hanaba Munn Welch, “*The Comanche with Blue Eyes: Editing a Literary Work about Cynthia Ann Parker to Reconcile Romantic Content with Historical Fact*,” West Texas Historical Association Annual Meeting, San Angelo, Texas, April 2018
- “Tommie Horrell, the Murder Victim Buried in Crosby County’s First Last Resting Place,” West Texas Historical Association Annual Meeting, Lubbock, Texas, April 2017
- With Kay Ellington, reading from *The Paragraph Ranch*, Coffee Talks series, Burnet, Texas, December 2016
- Creative writing sessions at Permian Basin Writers’ Workshop, Midland, Texas, September 2016
- “The Creation Myth of the Texas Heritage Trails,” Texas Historical Commission Real Places Heritage Tourism Conference, Austin, June 14, 2016; Texas Tropical Trail 130th Partner Event, September 2016
- “Road to Nowhere, or America’s Last Highway? West Texas’s Role in Creating a Canada-to-Mexico Route in the Early Automobile Era,” West Texas Historical Association Annual Meeting, Abilene, Texas, April 2016
- Creative writing sessions at Books in the Basin, Odessa, Texas, April 2016
- “A Byway for Texas: John Connally, Elo Urbanovsky, and the Creation of the Texas Heritage Trails,” Texas State Historical Association, Irving, Texas, March 2016
- Book publishing sessions at West Texas Book Festival, Abilene, Texas, September 2015
- “A Grande Dame Shines Again: Big Spring’s Hotel Settles during Eighty-five Years of Boom, Bust, and Boom,” West Texas Historical Association Annual Meeting, Amarillo, Texas, April 2015
- Featured author at West Texas Book Festival, Abilene, Texas, September 2015
- “Half a Century of Heritage Tourism on the Texas Trails, 1965–2015,” Preservation Texas Day, Austin, March 2015
- Featured author at Herald-Democrat Writers’ Festival, Austin College, Sherman, Texas, November 2014
- Featured author at Books in the Basin, Midland-Odessa, Texas, October 2014
- “On the Trail of Roscoe B. Conkling,” West Texas Historical Association Annual Meeting, Odessa, Texas, April 2014
- “Highways, History, and Hinterlands: Texas’s Heritage Trails through Forty-Five Years,” West Texas Historical Association Annual Meeting, Wichita Falls, Texas, April 2013
- “The Transcendent Traveler: How to Make Every Journey an Adventure,” Southern Plains Conference, Canyon, TX, April 2013
- “What Heritage Tourism Can Do for Your Community,” Lubbock Rotary Club, March 2013
- “Circles of Desire: Six Steps to the Heart of Your Story,” day-long workshop on writing technique, Panhandle Professional Writers, Amarillo, Texas, February 2012
- “Computer Tools for Community Communication,” workshop for Lubbock Heritage Society board, November 2011
- “Ben Dixon MacNeill and The Hatterasman: A Perfect Storm of North Carolina Publishing,” SHARP Annual Conference, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C., July 2011
- Session on editing for creative writers, Frontiers in Writing Conference, Amarillo College, June 24, 2010
- “Writing a Wide Land: A Conference on Texas Nature Writing,” publishing panel, University of North Texas, Denton, Apr. 11–12, 2008
- “Publishing As a Creative Act,” keynote presentation, “The State of Publishing” conference, Montgomery College, Conroe, Texas, Nov. 17, 2007
- “Ferry Tales: Adventures on North Carolina’s Nautical Highways,” presentation, lecture, and book signing: UNCW Pathways; Wilmington Kiwanis; New Hanover–Pender Retired Medical Professionals; Ocracoke Preservation Society; Museum of the Albemarle; various independent bookstores, summer 2007
- “Print-on-Demand Publishing,” panel chair, NC Writers’ Network, April 2006
- “Print-on-Demand in the Classroom,” APHA Annual Conference, Mills College, Oakland, Calif., Sept. 2005
- “Publishing the History of the Book: A Workshop for New Authors,” panelist, SHARP Annual Conference, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Nova Scotia, July 2005
- “Publishing As a Creative Act,” panelist and organizer, AWP, Austin, Tex., March 2005

- “Build Your Own Book,” one-day chapbook workshop, NC Writers’ Network, April 2004, Sept. 2004
- Publishing panel, UNCW Writers’ Week, annually, 2003–2007
- “Publishing As a Creative Act: Print-on-Demand in the Publishing Laboratory,” North Carolina Writers’ Network annual conference, Wilmington, N.C., November 2003
- “Taking the Mystery out of Print-on-Demand” session and print-on-demand panel discussion, Cape Fear Crime Festival, October 2003, October 2004
- Organizing committee, SHARP Annual Conference, Scripps College, Claremont, Calif., July 2003
- “‘The Company of Books’: Books, Reading, and the Women of the Hampshire Bookshop,” invited lecture in conjunction with the Virginia Woolf Conference, Smith College, March 2003. Published as chapbook, June 2004
- “The Laser Printer As an Agent of Change,” SHARP Annual Conference, Williamsburg, Va., July 2001
- “Camping Tents and Tennis Nets: Freedom and Form in Writing Poetry,” workshop and reading, Southern Writers Summer Series, Tryon, N.C., 22 August 2002
- “American Missionary Publishing and the Rise of Western Printing in China,” Gutenberg 600th Anniversary Conference, Gutenberg–Institut, Mainz, Germany, July 2000
- “Writing on Masks: Women’s Lives in the South,” conference sponsored by Wesleyan College Department of English, October 14–16, 1999 (served on conference committee)
- “‘Wellnigh the Ideal Pursuit’: Women’s Entry into the Bookselling Profession in the U.S.,” SHARP Annual Conference, Madison, Wisc., July 1999
- “Bibliography and the Canon,” panel respondent, Midwest Modern Language Association, Chicago, November 1997
- “Anderson, Books, and Carolina,” inaugural meeting of the Southeastern Chapter of the American Printing History Association, Columbia, S.C., November 1996 (organized and convened program)
- “Publications Roundtable,” critique session leader, Georgia Education Advancement Council Annual Meeting, University of Georgia, November 1996
- “The Bookshop As ‘An Arsenal of Democracy’: Marion Dodd and the Hampshire Bookshop During World War II,” SHARP Annual Conference, American Antiquarian Society, Worcester, Mass., July 1996
- “The History of the Book and Authorship: An Introduction to the (Inter)Discipline,” moderator of panel, History of the Book and Authorship Group, University of South Carolina, October 1995
- “The Habit of Art: The Interdisciplinary Legacy of Flannery O’Connor,” Georgia College, 1994 (co-wrote grant; served on planning committee)
- “Clyde Edgerton and the Diversity of Southern Literature,” Mary Vinson Library, Milledgeville, Ga., 1990 (served on program evaluation panel for granting agency)

#### EXHIBITS & SPECIAL PROJECTS

- “Nighthawks,” annual author reading series, Lubbock, Texas, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2018
- “Books Evolve,” exhibition of artists’ books and book history (collaborated with Ned Irvine, UNCW graphic design instructor), UNCW Department of Art, August 2004
- “‘No Frigate Like a Book’: The Hampshire Bookshop, 1916–1971,” exhibition of book collection, Thomas Cooper Library, University of South Carolina, 1998
- “John Jakes: The People’s Author,” library exhibition and catalogue, Thomas Cooper Library, University of South Carolina, 1994
- “To the Letter,” solo exhibition of book collection, University of South Carolina, 1993
- “Letters, Words, and Books,” solo art exhibition, Georgia College, 1990
- “The Book As Art in the Western Tradition,” senior honors thesis, Georgia College, 1990
- “Words into Bytes: Publication Design in the Age of Computers,” internship, Georgia College, 1988
- “Designs on Washington County,” architectural exhibit and catalogue, Washington County Historical Society, Sandersville, Ga., 1988
- “Education in Georgia: The Integration Years,” statewide traveling exhibit, Museum and Archives of Georgia Education, Milledgeville, Ga., 1984

#### FELLOWSHIPS & WORKSHOPS

- Artsmith Travel Writing Residency, Laredo, Texas, December 2015
- Summer Writers’ Retreat, Writers’ League of Texas, Sul Ross University, July 2013
- Bookbuilding session, Junction Intersession, Texas Tech University, May 2013

## AFFILIATIONS &amp; OFFICES

- American Printing History Association (president of Southeastern chapter, 1996–2000; national board member, 1996–2000)
- Bibliographical Society of America
- Leadership Texas (class of 2014)
- Phi Kappa Phi, Wesleyan College Chapter (secretary/treasurer, 1996–98)
- Preservation Texas (board member, 2018–present)
- SHARP/Society for the History of Authorship, Reading and Publishing (membership secretary, 1997–2007)
- Society for Children’s Book Writers and Illustrators
- West Texas Historical Association (board member, 2017–2022)
- Western Writers of America
- Women Writing the West
- Writers’ League of Texas

## COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES &amp; RECOGNITIONS

- Dickens County Historical Commission (appointee and vice chair, 2021–present)  
Awarded \$12,000 Humanities Texas grant to support performing arts and cultural activities, 2022
- Numerous awards from Texas Press Association and regional journalism associations for excellence in writing and editing, community service
- Texas Midwest Community Network (board member, 2021–present)
- Spur Area Chamber of Commerce (board member, 2018–present)
- Participant, on behalf of Spur, in the University of Texas IC2 community development program, 2019–2020
- Steering committee, Lubbock Book Festival 2017, LHUCA, 2016–2017
- Caprock Writers’ Alliance, 2014–2018
- Lubbock Heritage Society (board member, 2009–2018)
- Heart of Lubbock Neighborhood Association (president, 2009–2013)
- Lubbock Chorale, 2007–08
- Airlie Gardens Guild, Wilmington, N.C. Volunteer docent; chair, Guild Communications committee
- Columbia Choral Society, Columbia, S.C. Performed in local venues; performed with USC Symphony, 2001; selected to perform at Piccolo Spoleto Festival, Charleston, S.C., 2001

## REFERENCES

Available upon request