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EDUCATION

1997. BS/Cum Laude. College of Charleston.

1998-2005. Extensive travel across the US, Europe, Canada, and Costa Rica.

2005. Chair Caning Boot Camp at Aunt Linda's

2008. Foundations Class, Mountain BizWorks.

2014. GO! Program, Mountain BizWorks.

2014-2015. Birds Eye Business Consulting



CAREER

2015-present. Owner Silver River Center for Chair Caning

2005-2015. Owner Planet Art & Go Chair Repair

2009-present. Educator of seat weaving with regular demonstrations, classes, website, social media and networking with chair caners on four continents.

MISSION

Cultivate a reverence for a world-wide chair caning tradition.

VISION

Promote an enthusiasm for caning through education, restoration, travel, and published work. Expand programming at the museum and school to create a new generation of chair caners and chair appreciators.



VALUES

1. Honor a family tradition of weaving and an entrepreneurial spirit.
2. Refinement and mastery of techniques and methods.
3. Dedication to extremely high standards of restoration.
4. Committed to the perpetuation of caning through investigation of history and contemporary craftsmen.

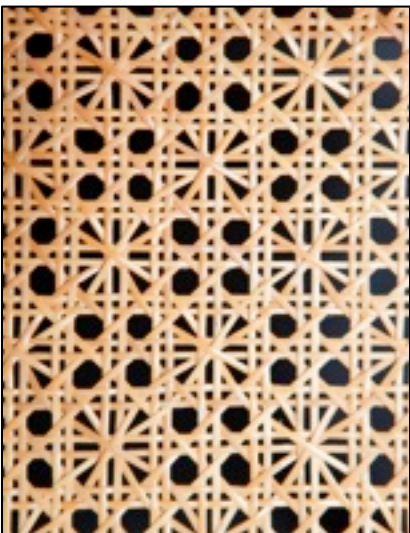
EXPERIENCE & ACTIVITIES

2017. Research trip to Orkney Island, Scotland.

2017. Presentation to woodworkers groups, Winston-Salem, NC & Kingsport, TN

2017. Cattail rush weaving on early 18th century chair for the Museum of Early Southern Decorative Arts, Winston-Salem, NC.





- 2017. Demonstrations at the United Way's Kids At Work Week for 50 middle school-aged kids.
- 2017. Educational Demonstrator at 70th Anniversary of the Craft Fair of the Southern Highlands.
- 2017. WLOS Morning Show guest
- 2017. North Carolina Weekend segment on UNCTV
- 2016. Named Southern Highland Craft Guild official Education Center.
- 2016. Hosted 9th Annual Gathering of The SeatWeavers' Guild with record attendance.
- 2016. WLOS Morning Show Guest
- 2016. Research trip to Virginia Historical Society.
- 2015. Research trip to England. Recognized in opening statements of The Basketmakers Association annual meeting on chair caning.
- 2015. A Chair Affair. Grand Opening of the nation's only chair caning school & museum.
- 2015. WLOS Morning Show guest.
- 2014. Research trip to Mid-west.
- 2013. Research trip to New England.
- 2013-present. Demonstrator at Folk Art Center, and Moses Cone Manor on Blue Ridge Parkway
- 2013. Demo at The Island Farm c. 1847 Manteo, NC
- 2013. Demo at Lake James Winesday Gathering, NC
- 2012-present. Chairs on display at River Arts District Exhibit at Asheville Chamber of Commerce.
- 2012. Economic Development Tour Guide, Asheville CVB
- 2012. WCQS radio show about Second Saturday in RAD.
- 2012. MAIN FM radio show about Second Saturday.
- 2011-present. Demonstrations at Heritage Weekend, Folk Art Center
- 2011. New Members Exhibition at Folk Art Center
- 2010-2011. Demos & caning class, True Nature Country Fair
- 2009. Demonstrations at Mountain Made, Grove Arcade
- 2008. Artist in Residence, Grove Arcade Arts & Heritage Gallery
- 2005-2008. Caner/Independent Contractor. Chehaw River Woodworks & Charleston Interiors. Charleston, SC. Furniture Repair Works, McCall Restoration Services, Asheville, NC
- 2005. Chair Repair Boot Camp at Aunt Linda's. My Destiny.

CURRENT MEMBERSHIPS

- 2015. The Furniture Society
- 2015. American Craft Council

- 2014. The SeatWeavers' Guild, Inc.
Member at Large, Planner of 2016 Annual
Gathering
- 2014. Asheville Downtown Association
- 2012. Asheville Grown Business Alliance
- 2011. Southern Highlands Craft Guild
Fair Committee, Membership, Distribution.
- 2010. River Arts District Artists, Inc.
Distribution Committee
Launched Second Saturday Committee
Studio Building Representative