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Education

MFA **2009** **Illustration**
Hartford Art School, University of Hartford, CT

BFA **1996** **Illustration**
Massachusetts College of Art and Design, MA

BS **1984** **Teaching**
Foshan University, Guangdong Province, China

AS **1993** **Graphic Design**
Bunker Hill Community College, MA

Professional Experience

2009-
Present **Professor**
Bunker Hill Community College, MA
Courses taught:
Watercolor Painting I
Watercolor Painting I (Online)
Watercolor Painting II (Online)
Painting I (Oil and Acrylic)
Painting II (Oil and Acrylic)
Drawing I (Fundamental Drawing)
Drawing I (Fundamental Drawing) (Online)
Drawing II (Figure Drawing)
Drawing III (Advanced Figure and Portrait Drawing)
Two Dimensional Design
Digital Imaging with Photoshop
Design for the World Wide Web
Interactive Design I
Interactive Design II

1995 –
2009 **Adjunct Professor**
Massachusetts College of Art and Design, MA
Courses taught:
Illustration I
Advanced Drawing Projects
Watercolor Portraiture
Watercolor for Illustrators

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Professional Experience *Continued*

- 2010 **Adjunct Professor**
New Hampshire Institute of Art, NH
Course taught:
Advanced Digital Illustration
- 1996 **Adjunct Professor**
Rivier University, NH
Course taught:
Watercolor Painting
- 1984 – **Teacher**
1989 Wenhai Senior High School, China
Subjects taught:
Chemistry
Painting
Drawing

Published Works

- Author and Illustrator for children's picture book *A Gift*
Published by Boyds Mills Press, 2009
- Illustrations for children's picture book *Finding Joy*
Published by Boyds Mills Press, 2006
- Illustrations for children's magazine *AppleSeeds*
- "Why the Kikuyu Love Mount Kenya"
Cobblestone Publishing, 2001
- Illustrations for children's magazine *AppleSeeds*
- "Mountain Zones"
Cobblestone Publishing, 2001
- Illustrations for children's magazine *Cricket*
- "Leaves of Summer"
Carus Publishing/Cricket Magazine Group, 2000
- Illustrations for children's chapter book *Swimming with Sharks*
Published by HarperCollins Publishers, 1999
- Illustrations for children's magazine *Spider*
- "The Mat and the Meal"
Carus Publishing/Cricket Magazine Group, 1999
- Illustrations for children's magazine *Spider*
- "Get Off My Lap, Cat"
Carus Publishing/Cricket Magazine Group, 1998
- Illustrations for children's chapter book *Starfish Summer*
Published by HarperCollins Publishers, 1998
- Illustrations for children's picture book *Miz Fannie Mae's Fine New Easter Hat*
Published by Little, Brown and Company, 1997

Exhibition Record (* solo shows marked by asterisk)

- 2016 * Manchester City Hall, NH
Artist on the Wall (Watercolor painting series "Under the Sun")
- 2016 Montserrat College of Art Gallery
Inspired Views
- 2016 Children's Museum of New Hampshire
Everything Under the Sun
- 2016 The Gallery at 100 Market
Open
- 2015 Children's Museum of New Hampshire
Of Beauties and Beasts - Children's Book Illustrators
- 2015 The Gallery at 100 Market, Portsmouth, NH
Figure Out
- 2014 The Gallery at 100 Market, Portsmouth, NH
Guise, Garment & Textile
(Four of my Oil Portrait Paintings were juried in this exhibit)
- 2012 * The Bannister Gallery, Rhode Island College
An Immigrant's Experience (Oil Portrait Paintings)
- 2010 * Gallery of Lyndon State College, VT
Stories in Pictures: Yong Chen's Original Illustrations from his Recent Picture Books
- 2009 * Nashua Image Gallery, NH
Story Time: The Original Arts from Yong Chen's Latest Picture Books
- Logan International Airport (invitational group show), MA
The International Artists Group - The World Around Us
- 2009 Silpe Gallery, University of Hartford, CT
MFA Illustration Thesis Show
- 2008 * Nashua Image Gallery, NH
Through The Eyes Of Yong Chen
- 2005 * Nashua Image Gallery, NH
Yong's Watercolor Art
- 1996 * Rivier University Art Gallery, NH
East to West: Yong's Recent Oil and Watercolor Paintings
- 1995 * Bunker Hill Community College Art Gallery, MA
Search and Connect: Yong's Watercolor Paintings and Children's Book Illustrations
- 1993 * Bunker Hill Community College Art Gallery, MA
Yong's Watercolor Paintings
- 1988 Taishan People's Fine Art Museum, China
Portrait Painting Show (Juried, 1st prize)

- 1987 Taishan People's Fine Art Museum, China
Portrait Painting Show (Juried, 2nd prize)
- 1986 * Foshan Gallery, China
From City to Country: Yong's Watercolor and Oil Paintings
Taishan People's Fine Art Museum, China
Watercolor Painting Show (Juried, 2nd prize)
- 1983 Foshan Gallery, China
Foshan Area Colleges Invitational Show – Color of Summer
- 1982 Foshan Gallery, China
Foshan Area Colleges Invitational Show – Drawing and Paintings of Our Lives
- 1970 Taishan People's Fine Art Museum, China
Holidays (Juried, 3rd prize in children artists category)

Visiting Artist Lectures

- 2011 MFA Program, Hartford Art School, University of Hartford, CT
- 2010 Massachusetts College of Art and Design, MA
- 2010 Visual Art Department, Lyndon State College, VT
- 2010 New England Reading Association 62nd Annual Conference, NH
- 2009 Massachusetts College of Art and Design, MA

Bibliography

- Heidi Masek, "Make your own luck" (cover story)
A Chinese New Year's tale of following your dreams to find the perfect career
Hippo, February 18, 2010
- Sarah Earle, "The beauty of 'A Gift'" *The Nashua Telegraph*, February 7, 2010
- "Yong Chen's Story and Art" *School Library Journal*, February 2, 2010
- John Cheng, "An Interview of Yong Chen" *China Jiangnan Daily Newspaper*, October 18, 2009
This full page interview covered the details of the past 46 years of Yong's artistic life,
from the time he fell in love with drawing and painting
- "A beautiful story of the importance of the family and the traditions" *CMU Public Radio*,
October 14th and 16th, 2009
- "Succeeds in evoking the importance of meaningful family relationships"
ForeWord, September 10, 2009
- Xiao Yi "Yong Chen's Watercolor Art and Chinese Tradition" *KMRB Radio 1430 Los Angeles*,
August 25, 2009
- Taishan TV, "Yong in America" - a 10 minute features my artistic life and accomplishments.
China TV Network, August 22, 2009
- Lisa L. Cyr, "Riding the Wave" *Communication Arts*, July 4, 2009

- Wick Sloane, "An Artist Then and Now" *BHCC Magazine*, January 2008
- Diego Castellanos, "The Art of Perseverance" *The Third Rail*, February 15, 1996
- Diane Rietman, "Portrait of An Artist" *Nashua Sunday Telegraph*, Sept. 15, 1996.
- "Watercolor Portrait at State House" *WBZ News 4*, March 1995

Conference Presentation

Massachusetts Teachers Association Conference, 2011,
Williams College, Williamstown, MA
Paper: "Embracing and Adapting New Technologies In A Traditional Classroom
and Online Teaching"

Other Professional Experience

- 1999 – **Owner and Creative Director**
Present NashuaOne LLC., NH
- 2000 – **Creative Director**
2012 Goldenware Travel Technologies, LLC., NH
- 1998 – **Art Director**
2000 Swanson Advertising, LLC., NH
- 1995 – **Senior Digital Illustrator**
1998 PennWell Publishing Inc., Advanced Technology Division, NH
- 1992 – **Customer Relations**
1994 MCI Telemarketing, Inc., Boston, MA
- 1991 – **Research Assistant**
1992 Harvard Medical School, Neurobiology Department, Boston, MA