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EDUCATION

2011	Ph.D. (with distinction), Johns Hopkins University, Dept. of the History of Art.
	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.
2013-14	Mellon Foundation Sawyer Seminar Postdoctoral Fellow, Emory University.
2011-13	Mellon Postdoctoral Teaching Fellow, University of Pennsylvania,
	Department of the History of Art

ARTICLES AND BOOK REVIEWS

2017	"Titian's Ecce Homo on Slate: Stone, Oil, and the Transubstantiation of
	Painting." The Art Bulletin 99:1 (March 2017)
2016	"Titian's Christ and the Coin: Recovering the Spiritual Currency of
	Numismatism in Renaissance Ferrara." Renaissance Quarterly 69/2, 449-88.
	DOI: <u>http://dx.doi.org/10.1086/687607</u>
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: <u>http://dx.doi.org/10.1353/mln.2016.0008</u>
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>
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.
Forthcoming	"Non-Angetive Efficacy: Some Data on Presence, Absence and the
_	Ontological Entanglement of Miraculous Images," in Presence and Agency:
	Rhetoric, Aesthetics and the Experience of Art, edited by Caroline van Eck, Antje
	Wessels, and Frederik Knegtel (Leiden University Press).
Forthcoming	"Graphic Exegesis: Reflections on the Difficulty of Talking About Biblical
0	Images, Pictures, and Texts," in Biblical Rhetography through Visual Exegesis of
	Text and Image, edited by Vernon K. Robbins, Walter S. Melion, and Roy R.
	Jeal (Brill).
Forthcoming	"The Matter of Similitude: Stone Paintings and the Limits of
0	Representation," in Renaissance Paintings on Stone, edited by Elena Calvillo and
	Piers Baker-Bates (Brill).

PUBLICATION IN PREPARATION

Titian's Icons (Book manuscript).

"Let them fall down and worship thing: Lorenzo Valla's Renaissance Thing Theory." (ca. 12,000 word article).

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, & SCHOLARLY SOCIETIES (selected)

2013-14	Fellow, Mellon Foundation Sawyer Seminar, "Visual Exegesis: Images as
	Instruments of Scriptural Interpretation and Hermeneutics."
2011-13	Fellow, Penn Humanities Forum.
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	Image, Art, Thing in Early Modern Europe (graduate seminar) Historiography (graduate seminar)
	Baroque Art (lecture)
	Renaissance Art (lecture)
	European Visual Traditions (lecture)
	Venetian Renaissance Art: Local Histories, Global Stakes (capstone seminar)
At UPenn:	Italian Renaissance Art (lecture).
	Courts of the Italian Renaissance (seminar).
	High Renaissance and Mannerist Art: Michelangelo, Raphael, Titian (seminar).
	Deformed Pearls and Cultural Grit: Art in the Spanish Baroque World (seminar)
	Italian Baroque Art (lecture)
	Art History 102: Renaissance to Contemporary (lecture)
At JHU:	From Virgin to Venus: Venetian Painting and the Invention of Art (lecture).
5	Florence and Beyond: Art and Culture in the Central Italian Renaissance
	(lecture taught three times on site in Florence, Italy).
	Image, Realism, and Vision in Northern European Renaissance Art (seminar).

INVITED LECTURES

2016	"The Matter of Similitude: Stone Paintings and the Limits of Representation."
	Hamburg, Warburg House.
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.
2012	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 (selection)

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
0015	the Art History Department at Tel Aviv University.
2015	"Dealing Honestly with Two-Faced Paintings: Thinking the Paragone Beyond
0011	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
2015	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."
2015	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

- 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.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

2015	Selection Committee Member – Distinguished Italian Fulbright Lectureship at the University of Pittsburgh.
2015-	External reviewer for Brill.
2015 -	External reviewer for the journal California Italian Studies.
2013 -	External reviewer for the journal Contemporaneity: Historical Presence in Visual
	Culture.
2013	External reviewer for postdoctoral fellowship, Fonds Wetenschappelijk
	Onderzoek - Vlaanderen, FWO (Belgium)
2007-2008	Board Member, Johns Hopkins Philological Society
2003-present	Member, Renaissance Society of America
2003-present	Member, College Art Association

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