

# GINGER GORE RUSSELL

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## EDUCATION

### **Master of Arts in Studio Art – 2024**

Concentration in Photography

Stephen F. Austin State University, Nacogdoches, TX

### **Bachelor of Fine Arts in Studio Art – 1999**

Concentration in Photography

Lamar University, Beaumont, TX

### **Continuing Education in Graphic Design – 2002-2004**

Santa Fe Community College, Santa Fe, NM

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### **Adjunct Professor**

2025-present

Stephen F. Austin State University, Nacogdoches, TX

Adjunct Professor, Photography I (Fine Arts Emphasis): Provide comprehensive instruction in camera operation, composition, exposure, film development, and black and white darkroom techniques, empowering students to express their artistic vision through compelling photographic images. Create a supportive classroom environment that encourages experimentation, critical thinking, and the development of technical expertise, resulting in significant student growth and artistic achievement.

### **Ranch Manager**

2016-2022

Boot Hill Ranch, Mountain Home, TX

Ranch Manager oversaw all facets of a high-fenced exotic game ranch in the Texas Hill Country. Accountable for all wildlife management activities, including breeding programs and herd health; habitat maintenance and restoration projects; infrastructure upkeep and improvements; and direct staff supervision. Consistently provided exceptional guest experiences while upholding the highest standards of responsible land stewardship and animal welfare.

### **Business Owner and Lead Photographer**

2001-2016

Ginger Russell Photography, LLC, Santa Fe, NM

Owned and operated a profitable destination photography business in northern New Mexico for over 15 years. Documented hundreds of weddings, portraits, and events, delivering high-quality images and exceptional customer service. Managed all aspects of photography, branding, marketing, and business operations, consistently exceeding client expectations and maintaining strong vendor relationships. Proficient in Adobe Lightroom and Photoshop.

### **Graphic Designer in Marketing and Public Relations Department**

2002-2005

Santa Fe Community College, Santa Fe, NM

Designed and produced marketing materials for departmental print publications, including catalogs, brochures, and posters. Collaborated with the marketing team on visual concepts and managed projects through pre-press.

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## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE CONTINUED

### **Art Sales Consultant and Web Media Manager**

2002-2004

Reflection and Horizon Galleries, Santa Fe, NM

Assisted clients in selecting art for homes and offices through consultations. Responsibilities included generating sales, providing exceptional customer service, performing operational tasks, maintaining gallery appearance, and supporting in-gallery events. Also created and managed content for the gallery's website and digital communications.

### **Art Sales Consultant and Office Manager**

2000-2001

Joyce Robins Gallery, Santa Fe, NM

Key responsibilities included representing gallery artists to clients, generating new leads, closing sales, and maintaining long-term relationships. Assisted with daily gallery operations, managed art and artist records, and supported the installation and de-installation of exhibits.

### **Graphic Designer and Web Developer**

1999-2000

IJNT Internet Service Provider, Beaumont, TX

Designed website layouts and created user-friendly, visually appealing elements using fonts, color schemes, and graphics. Managed the design and upload processes for project materials, built mockups and responsive templates, and collaborated with developers to implement visual features.

### **Summer Art Camp Instructor**

1999

Beaumont Art League, Beaumont, TX

Developed art curriculum for children ages 8 to 12 and led classes of up to 10 students for 4 hours daily over 4-day camp sessions. Encouraged sharing and reflection on their work, communicated activity plans to staff, and provided lesson documentation. Fostered trusting relationships with students.

### **Photo Journalist**

1996

University Press, Lamar University Newspaper, Beaumont, TX

One of three photographers capturing images for news, campus life, and community events. Provided visuals for stories using various cameras and photo-editing software. Collaborated with reporters to fulfill weekly photographic needs and managed darkroom tasks and digital adjustments while consistently meeting deadlines.

### **Black & White Darkroom Technician**

1992-1994

Custom Photographic Labs, Austin, TX

Responsible for black-and-white printing on various papers. Processed 35mm and medium format film. Maintained darkroom chemistry. Ensured high-quality standards while meeting daily deadlines in a fast-paced environment.

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## INTERNSHIP

### Assistant to Registrar

1996

Art Museum of Southeast Texas, Beaumont, TX

Assisted the Registrar with permanent collection files, condition reports, and exhibit installations. Registered artwork in computer files, photographed pieces for documentation, and handled matting and framing for exhibitions.

## EXPERTISE

### Photography

Photoshop • Lightroom • Adobe Creative Suite • Image Editing • Color Correction • Photo Processing  
Digital Photography • Analog Photography • Darkroom Printing • Inkjet Printing • Studio Lighting  
Location Scouting • Lighting Techniques

### Graphic Design

InDesign • Illustrator • Proficient in Apple OS • Marketing and Branding • Logo Creation • Typography

## PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

SPE–Society for Photographic Education  
Member (September 2022 - Present)

Texas Photographic Society  
Member (September 2024 - Present)

## SCHOLARSHIPS & GRANTS

**2025-2026** Patricia Roberdeau Mast Scholarship

**2024-2025** Gloria Gay Ash Scholarship  
Robert Kinsell Art Scholarship  
Richard Skurla M.F.A. Scholarship  
Friends of the Visual Arts Friendship Grant

**2023-2024** Adams-Carrington-West Art Scholarship  
Gloria Gay Ash Scholarship

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## EXHIBITIONS

### 2026 **Context 2026**

Filter Space at Filter Photo, Chicago, IL  
Juror: Sara Ickow

### **8th Annual Louisiana Biennial**

Visual Arts Center, Louisiana Tech University, Ruston, LA  
Juror: Bridget Bray

### 2025 **Texas Photographic Society's 33rd International Competition**

Texas Photographic Society and Center for Contemporary Arts, Abilene TX  
**First Place**, Jurors: Barbara Bosworth & Emily Sheffer

### **CPA International Juried Exhibition**

Center for Photographic Art, Carmel, CA  
Juror: Cig Harvey

### **AMoA BIENNIAL-600**

Amarillo Museum of Art, Amarillo, TX  
Juror: Rachel Sadvary Zebro

### **Texas National 2025 Exhibition and Competition**

Cole Art Center, Nacogdoches, TX  
Juror: Susie Kalil

### **Beyond the Veil**

Gallery 263, Cambridge, MA  
Juror: Kate M. McNamara

### **College Call '25**

The Southeast Center for Photography, Online Exhibit, [www.sec4p.com](http://www.sec4p.com)  
Juror: Polly Gaillard

### **Black & White, An International Juried Photo Exhibition**

Praxis Gallery & Photographic Arts Center, Minneapolis, MN  
Juror: Ann Jastrab

### **19th Biennial Joyce Elaine Grant Photography Exhibition**

Texas Woman's University Fine Art Galleries, Denton, TX  
Juror: Mazie M. Harris

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### 2025 **Personal Effects**

Front Art Gallery, Stephen F. Austin State University, Nacogdoches, TX  
Two-person Exhibition with Rebecca Talbot

### **SPE 13th Annual Combined Caucus Exhibition: Adaptation**

McNamara Gallery, University of Nevada, Reno, NV  
Juror: Liz Allen

### **The Clock is Ticking: Photography Regarding the Passage of Time**

Martha Gault Art Gallery, Slippery Rock University, Slippery Rock, PA  
**Juror's Award**, Juried by Faculty Panel

### **Ephemeral: Juried Photography Exhibition**

The Woody Gaddis Gallery, University of Central Oklahoma, Edmond, OK  
Juried by Faculty Panel

### **2025 SPE South Central Student Exhibition**

Tarleton State University, Ft. Worth, TX  
Juror: Diane Durant

### 2024 **My Mother's Daughter**

Front Art Gallery, Stephen F. Austin State University, Nacogdoches, TX  
Master of Arts Exhibition

### **FotoTexas III, People Places Culture**

Texas Photographic Society and Museum of the Big Bend, Alpine TX  
**First Place**, Juror: E. Dan Klepper

### **Open-Theme | Unmoored**

A Smith Gallery, Online Exhibit, [www.asmithgallery.com](http://www.asmithgallery.com)  
Juror: Debra Klomp Ching

### **art as storytelling**

Midwest Nice Art, Online Exhibit, [www.midwestnice.art](http://www.midwestnice.art)  
Juror: Aline Smithson

### **2024 Emerging Vision: CPAC Biennial Student Show**

Colorado Photographic Arts Center, Denver, CO  
Juror: Nelson Chan

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**2024 Texas Photographic Society's 37th Annual Members Only Show**  
Texas Photographic Society and Center for Contemporary Arts, Abilene TX  
Juror: O. Rufus Lovett

### **Current Works**

Kansas City Society for Contemporary Photography, Kansas City, MO  
Juror: Adam Finkelston

### **"she"**

A Smith Gallery, Online Exhibit, [www.asmithgallery.com](http://www.asmithgallery.com)  
Juror: Polly Gaillard

### **SPE South Central Members Exhibition**

National Park College, Hot Springs, AR  
Juror: Kevin Haynie

### **Texas National 2024 Exhibition and Competition**

Cole Art Center, Nacogdoches, TX  
**Special Mention**, Juror: Peter S. Briggs

### **Annual Art Alliance Spring Show 2024**

Lower Art Gallery, Stephen F. Austin State University, Nacogdoches, TX  
**Third Place**, Juror: Peter S. Briggs

### **Art Graduate Student Group Exhibition** at Stephen F. Austin State University

Reavley Gallery, Cole Art Center, Nacogdoches, TX  
Juried by Faculty Panel

### **2023 Rising Eyes of Texas**

Rockport Center for the Arts, Rockport, TX  
Juror: Tanja Peterson

### **#New Visions 2023: A Student Show**

Texas Photographic Society, Online Exhibit, [www.texasphoto.org](http://www.texasphoto.org)  
Juror: V. Elizabeth Turk

### **SPE South Central Southeast Juried Student Exhibition**

Art Lab Gallery, Corn Center for the Visual Arts, Columbus, GA  
Juror: Chris Ireland

### **12x12 Show, FVA Art Scholarship Fundraiser 2023**

The Cole Art Center, Nacogdoches, TX

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- 2022 SPE South Central Juried Student Exhibition**  
Bossier Parish Community College, Shreveport, LA  
Juror: Stefan Nodarse
- 2001 Evolutions of Narrative Photography**  
Santa Fe Community College Art Gallery, Santa Fe, NM  
Juror: Frank Van Deren Coke
- 2000 The Big Show, Annual Juried Exhibition**  
Lawndale Art Center, Houston, TX  
Juror: Sara Kellner
- 1999 Undergraduate Thesis Exhibition**  
Dishman Art Gallery, Beaumont, TX
- Grand Bal, Group Exhibition**  
Dishman Art Gallery, Beaumont, TX
- 1996 Untitled, Three Person Exhibition**  
San Jacinto College, Houston TX
- Spectrum, Juried Exhibition**  
Art Museum of Southeast Texas, Beaumont TX
- Photography Show, Juried Exhibition**  
Beaumont Art League, Beaumont, TX
- 35th Annual Tri-State Plus Competition, Juried Exhibition**  
Beaumont Art League, Beaumont, TX
- Dishman Competition, Juried Exhibition**  
Dishman Art Gallery, Beaumont, TX
- 1995 Great American Nude, Juried Exhibition**  
Beaumont Art League, Beaumont, TX
- Photography Show, Juried Exhibition**  
Texas Artist Museum, Port Arthur, TX