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 2017-2022

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
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

EXHIBITIONS CONTINUED

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
Juror: Debra Klomp Ching

art as storytelling
Midwest Nice Art, Online Exhibit, 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

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A Smith Gallery, Online Exhibit, 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
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

EXHIBITIONS CONTINUED

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