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EDUCATION & QUALIFICATIONS:

- 2005 – 2008 Masters of Fine Arts – Painting
University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB
- 1999 – 2000 Certificate of Arts Administration,
Grant MacEwan University, Edmonton, AB
- 1998 Fine Arts Painting Exchange,
Kent Institute of Art and Design, Canterbury, England
- 1995 – 1999 Bachelor of Fine Arts - Painting
University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB

AWARDS & GRANTS:

- 2016 MacEwan Sessional Faculty Professional Development Fund, MacEwan
University
- 2011 Visual Arts Travel Grant, Edmonton Arts Council, Edmonton, AB
- 2009 Visual Arts Project Grant, Alberta Foundation for the Arts, Edmonton, AB
- 2008 FGSR Travel Scholarship, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB
- 2007 Visual Arts Project Grant, Alberta Foundation for the Arts, Edmonton, AB
- 2006 Alberta Foundation for the Arts Graduate Painting Scholarship
- 2000 Mark Joslin Memorial Award, MacEwan University, Edmonton, AB

RESIDENCIES:

- 2018 Banff Centre for Arts and Creativity, Leighton Artist Studios, Banff, AB
- 2011 Parsons Paris, International Creative Residency, Residency Facilitators
Charlotte Moth and Sam Basu, Paris, France

PUBLIC COMMISSIONS:

- 2009 House, Tree, Person, Alberta Arts Days, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB
Funded by the University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB
- 2009 Home Coming, Century Place, City of Edmonton Architects Office,
Funded by the City of Edmonton, Edmonton, AB

COLLECTIONS:

- 2016 Alberta Foundation for the Arts, Edmonton, AB
- 2011 BMO Financial, Toronto, ON
- 2010 Alberta Foundation for the Arts, Edmonton, AB
- 2009 City Regions Centre, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB
- 2008 University of Alberta Art Collection, Edmonton, AB

UPCOMING EXHIBITION:

- 2021 Solo Exhibition, Provincial Archives of Alberta, Edmonton, AB
- 2018 Solo Exhibition, McMullen Gallery, Edmonton, AB

SOLO EXHIBITION HISTORY:

- 2017 and light she lingers as your hostess, Scott Gallery, Edmonton, AB
- 2016 Hiraeth, Multicultural Heritage Centre Gallery, Stony Plain, AB
- 2015 Another Time Another Place, Scott Gallery, Edmonton, AB

2013 Mise-en-scène : The Paris Suite Telephone Booth Gallery, Toronto, ON
 2011 Land Line, Telephone Booth Gallery, Toronto, ON
 2008 Hiding in Plain Sight, MFA Thesis Exhibition, FAB Gallery, Edmonton, AB
 2005 The Long Walk Home, Eastern Front Gallery, Toronto, ON
 2003 Personal Space, Eastern Front Gallery, Toronto, ON

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS:

2016 Home Sweet Home, Three Person Exhibition, Toronto, ON
 2016 Alberta Collects, Visual Arts Alberta, Edmonton, AB
 2015 Brainstorms: Alberta Creates, University of Alberta Museum and Collections, Edmonton, AB
 2014 50th Anniversary Exhibitions: Art & Design 1.0, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB
 2014 In medias Res, The Gray Gallery, Grant MacEwan University, Edmonton, AB
 2014 Fresh Paint: Snap Shot of Painting in Edmonton, University of Alberta Museum and Collections, Edmonton, AB
 2013 To Inspire: Visual Arts Instructors' Exhibition, Edmonton, AB
 2012 Converge, Muttart Conservatory, Edmonton, AB
 2011 Parsons Paris, Residency final presentation, Paris France
 2009 Toronto Outdoor Show, Toronto, ON
 2008 Neighborhood Tales, Allen Grey Centre Gallery, Edmonton, AB
 2008 Re-Drawing the Line, Art Gallery of Alberta, Edmonton, AB
 2008 11404, Hab Studio Gallery, Edmonton, AB
 2007 Crash Pad, Latitude 53, Edmonton, AB
 2007 Alumni Exhibition, Eastern Front Gallery, Toronto, ON
 2007 Visual Thinking, Brine Gallery, Art Gallery of Alberta, Edmonton, AB
 2006 Painting in Italy, FAB Gallery, Edmonton, AB
 2006 Fast Forward, FAB Gallery, Edmonton, AB
 2005 Scarborough Arts Council Art in the Park, Toronto, ON
 2005 Riverdale Art Walk, Toronto, ON
 2005 Spirit of Our Times, Zilberschmuck Gallery, Toronto, ON
 2004 Hang Man Gallery, Toronto, ON

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Academic Positions:

2006- Present Contract Painting/Fundamentals Instructor, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB
 2015- Present Contract Painting/Drawing Instructor, MacEwan University, Edmonton, AB
 2008- Present Contract Painting Instructor, Faculty of Extension, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Fall 2017 Guest Artist Critique, Edmonton Art Club, Edmonton, AB
 Summer 2016 SURF Project/Grant Mentor, MacEwan University, Edmonton, AB
 Spring 2016 Special Projects Mentorship (two Students), MacEwan University, Edmonton, AB
 Fall 2015-Present Faculty of Extension, Visual Arts Certificate Advisory Committee Member, Edmonton, AB
 Fall 2013 Faculty of Extension, Painting Curriculum Author, Edmonton, AB
 Winter 2013 & 2015 Special Guest Lecturer, Augustana University, Camrose, AB
 Senior Student (Capstone) Critique

Fall 2012	Special Guest Lecturer, Augustana University, Camrose, AB
Fall 2012	Award Committee Member, Faculty of Extension, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB
Winter 2012	Special Guest Lecturer, Augustana University, Camrose, AB
2011 - Present	Certificate Student Project/ Exhibition Mentor (7 students), Faculty of Extension, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB
2010 - Present	Senior Level Portfolio Review Member, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB
2010 - Present	Certificate Graduation Committee Member, Faculty of Extension, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB
2008 - 2012	Painting and Drawing Instructor, City Arts Centre, City of Edmonton Community Programs, Edmonton, AB
2005 - 2006	Graduate Research Assistant Position, FAB Gallery, Edmonton, AB
2004 - 2005	Administrative Director and Exhibition Co-ordinator, Eastern Front Artists' Centre, Toronto, ON
2001 - 2004	Arts Administrator, Mira Godard Gallery, Toronto, ON
2001	Toronto International Art Fair Assistant, Heffel Gallery, Toronto, ON
2000 - 2001	Professional Art Dealers Association Internship, Gallery One, Toronto, ON
2000	Arts Administration Internship, MacLaren Arts Centre, Barrie ON

SELECTED ARTICLES, MAGAZINES, & CATALOGUES:

Frost, Lucille "Gillian Willans: And Light she lingers as your hostess- Review" Scott Gallery October 11, 2017 Curious Arts University of Alberta Faculty of Arts Blog <http://www.curiousarts.ca/gillian-willans-light-lingers-hostess-review>

Kitteringham, Selena "In studio: Gillian Willans' Another Time Another Place" Scott Gallery April 23rd, 2015 Curious Arts University of Alberta Faculty of Arts Blog <http://www.curiousarts.ca/gillian-willans-another-time-another-place>

Tattoli, Chantel, "Fan Mail: Gillian Willans", Telephone Booth Gallery, Toronto, July 3rd, 2013 Daily Serving : An International Art Blog <http://dailyserving.com/2013/07/fan-mail-gillian-willans/>

O'Keefe, M.C "Just outside the frame, Gillian Willans is Hiding in Plain Sight", Vue Weekly #647, p. 27, March 2008

Greer J. and Gerritzen H, " Re-Drawing the Line Exhibition Catalogue" Art Gallery of Alberta January 19- February 17, 2008 p.50.

Fung, A "Hiding in Plain Sight"., FAB Gallery March 7, 2008 Prairie Artsters
<<http://prairieartsters.blogspot.com/2008/03/gillian-willans-hidden-in-plain-sight.html>>

Lefebvre, A., "11404: After the Address" Arts Hab Gallery, Notebook Magazine Vol 2 Issue 5, April 2008 p.6-12.

Fung, A., "11404" Arts Hab Gallery January 4, 2007 Prairie Artsters
<<http://prairieartsters.blogspot.com/2008/01/11404-gillian-willans-andrea-pinheiro.html>>

O'Keefe, M.C "11404 anthologizes intense female friendship at pivotal moment", Arts Hab Gallery December 18 2007 Vue Weekly #635, p. 28

Teeuwesen, S. "Make it not Suck: The Crash Pad" Latitude 53 Notebook Magazine Vol 2 Issue 4, January 2008 p.8 -12.