



# JESSICA T. KOVAN

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## Education

BS, MS, PhD Adult Education

Certified GOLDEN Artist Educator, GOLDEN Paints, 2016

## National and International Juried Exhibitions and Awards

- 2019 Artist-in-Residence, Glen Arbor Arts Center, Glen Arbor, MI (May)
- 2018 2nd Place Award, International Society of Experimental Artists, 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Juried Exhibition
- 2018 4th Place award, International Society of Experimental Artists, 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Online Member Only Exhibition
- 2014 ISAP Most Creative in Acrylic Medium Award, International Society of Experimental Artists, 22<sup>nd</sup> Juried Exhibition
- 2014 Golden Artists Color Award, Michigan Watercolor Society, 66th Annual Juried Exhibition
- 2013 Venus Art Supply Award, International Society of Acrylic Painters, 16<sup>th</sup> Annual International Open Exhibition
- 2013 Devines in the Pines Award, Michigan Artists Competition, Annual Juried Exhibition
- 2010 First Place, Susan K. Black Foundation, Annual Miniature Art Show, Dubois, WY

2014-2018 International Society of Experimental Artists Board Member

## Exhibitions

- 2019 Solo Exhibition, *Hineini: Here I Am*, Peppermint Creek Theatre, Lansing, MI
- 2019 Solo Exhibition, *Trapped in the Grey*, Williamston Theater, Williamston, MI
- 2017 Joint Exhibition, *Three artist exhibition*, Elizabeth Lane Oliver Center for the Arts, Frankfort, MI
- 2016 Solo Exhibition, *Shadow Side*, Grove Gallery, E. Lansing, MI
- 2015 *Time/Place: A Showcase of Michigan Artists*, Lansing Art Gallery, Lansing, MI
- 2014 Solo Exhibition, *Fragmented Realities*, Michigan Women's Historical Museum, Lansing, MI
- 2014 Solo Exhibition, *Daily Gratitudes*, Janice Charach Gallery, W. Bloomfield, MI
- 2011 Solo Exhibition, *I Believe In*, E. Lansing Public Library, East Lansing, MI

## Selected Workshop Instructor, Lecturer, Juror Experience

- 2019 "Painting for Self-Expression," International Society of Experimental Artists, Grand Rapids, MI
- 2019 "Painting Conceptually: Behind the Scenes," Northeast MI Artist Guild, Lincoln, MI
- 2018 "A Golden Experience: Finding Your Direction with Acrylics," Northeast MI Artist Guild, Lincoln, MI
- 2018 "Going Bigger: Your Art Journal As A Planning Tool to Paint," 21 Secrets, On-Line Art Journaling Workshop
- 2018 "Discovering Your Personal Style: A Creativity Workshop," Okemos, MI
- 2017 "Coffee, Tea and Creativity," Grove Gallery, E. Lansing, MI
- 2015-2018 "Good Morning Creativity!," On-line Art Journaling Workshop
- 2017 "Create & Paint Your Own Handmade Mixed Media Art Journal," Alcona Arts Retreat, Alcona, MI
- 2016 Juror, MSUFCU Student Art Exhibit, Lansing, MI
- 2016 "Art for Healing," Women's Center of Greater Lansing, Lansing, MI
- 2015 "Experimental Collage Workshop," Alcona Arts Retreat, Alcona, MI
- 2014 "Art for the Soul," Alcona Arts Retreat, Alcona, MI

2012-2019 Assistant to the Director, Kanuga Watermedia Workshop, Hendersonville, North Carolina

## Print Media

- 2019 **Empower Arts Magazine** (Oct/Nov 2019 forthcoming)  
2019 "How one artist dug deeper into acceptance," Audrey Matusz, **Lansing City Pulse**, June 12, 2019  
2018 "Meet the Cover Artist," Brianna Twiddy, **Lansing City Pulse**, July 26, 2018  
2016 **Incite 4, Relax. Restore. Renew: The Best of Mixed Media**. Edited by Tonia Jenny. Included Piece: "The Creative Life"  
2015 **Incite 3, The Art of Storytelling: The Best of Mixed Media**, Edited by Kristy Conlin, Included Piece: "The Shadow Side"  
2014 **Art Journal Kickstarter: Pages and Prompts to Energize Your Art Journals**, Edited by Kristy Conlin, Included Piece: "The Beetnik"

## Professional Affiliations

International Society of Experimental Artists (Chairperson and Nautilus Fellow)  
International Society of Acrylic Painters (Signature Member)  
Consulting Editor, Journal of Transformative Education  
Michigan Watercolor Society

## Gallery Representation

Be.Gallery, Chagrin Falls, OH  
Lansing Art Gallery, Lansing, MI  
Synchronicity Art Gallery, Glen Arbor, MI

## Professional Activities Non-Art (selected)

1994-2006 Adjunct Faculty/Instructor, Adult Education and Environmental Ed, MSU/CMU/WMU, MI  
1996-2001 Executive Director & Board Member, Mid-Michigan Environmental Action Council, Lansing, MI  
1987-1994 Program Director, Water Resources Programming, W.K. Kellogg Foundation, Battle Creek, MI