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Personal

Born Waukesha, Wisconsin in 1925  
Married: Wife's name, Ginka  
Three children, ~~three~~ <sup>four</sup> grandchildren

Education

U.W. Madison Fine Arts major 3 1/2 years  
2 years on G.I. Bill studying painting at Academie Julien  
and atelier of Ferdinand Leger, Paris, France  
1 year concentrated ceramics study at Marin Jr. College,  
Kentfield, California  
1 semester advanced study, Alfred University, New York

Teaching and  
Professional  
Experience

1953 to 1980: Established studio in Milwaukee, teaching  
wheel-throwing and glaze calculation. Initiated apprentice  
system in 1953, training in all phases of pottery work.

1956: Established Potters Wheel studio and gallery in  
Fish Creek, Door County.

Membership

American Crafts Council

Commissions  
(partial list)

1960: Eleven panel tile mural facade for office building  
at 55th and Fond du Lac Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin for  
Architect Abe Tannenbaum.

1961: Lamp bases, vases, trays for Harris Bank and Trust  
Co., Chicago, Illinois. Contact through Skidmore, Owings,  
Merrill.

1962: Tile wall mural for Pewaukee Public Library.

1974: Two large altar vases for First Lutheran Church,  
Boston, Massachusetts.

Miscellaneous baptismal fonts, chalice and paten sets,  
Kiddush cups, Sabbath candlesticks, Seder plates, executive  
gifts.

Awards  
(partial list)

1956: Amaco Art Clay Purchase Award.

1957: Craft Horizon Award at Wisconsin Designer Craftsman  
show.

1958: First prize, Wisconsin State Fair Art Craft Show.  
W.D.C. Award of Merit and Mayer Hughes Award.

1958: Louis Comfort Tiffany Award...\$2000. Used to pay  
apprentice to run studio while Abe worked on ceramics as  
related to architecture.

1962: Wisconsin chapter of American Institute for  
Architecture: Citation for distinguished accomplishment  
in ceramics.

Competitive Shows

Wisconsin State Fair...1955 through 1959  
Fiber, Clay and Metal...Walker Art Center, Minneapolis, Minnesota, 1958  
Miami National at University of Miami...1956  
Wisconsin Designer Craftsman...1955 through 1965  
Midwest Designer Craftsman Show at Chicago Art Institute...1962  
Juried Art Fairs: Old Town and 57th Street, Chicago

Invitational

1952 - Layton Art Gallery, Milwaukee. Paintings and Pottery (One man show)  
1954 - Watts Invitational Group Craft Show, Milwaukee  
1955 - Slipcover Studio, Milwaukee (One man show)  
1957 - Scripps College, Color in Ceramics Show, California  
1957 - Lawrence University, Appleton (One man show)  
1958 - Ravinia Gallery summer exhibit (Group show)  
1958 - Alverno College (One man show)  
196? - Black River Falls College (One man show)  
1960 - American Craftsmen's Council, Williams Bay, Wisconsin  
1960 - University of Minnesota, Duluth  
1960 - Rochester Art Center, Rochester, Minnesota  
1961 - Stevens Point College (One man show)  
1961 - Chicago Art Library  
1961 - Two man show with Gerhard Miller with Peninsula Music Festival (Later, two man show with Leon Statham, also Festival)  
1961 - (also 1959 and 1960) International Exhibition of Ceramic Art, Smithsonian Institute, Washington, D.C. (Purchase Award)  
1961 - Wustum Museum, Racine  
1963 - (and 1959) Lyman Wright Gallery, Beloit College  
1963 - Tweed Gallery, Duluth  
1963 - Peoria Art Center  
1964 - Janesville Invitational  
1964 - One man show..Memorial Art Center (First one man show for a craftsman in new center..two purchases by Kenosha Art Museum from this show)  
1965 - Two man show with father..West Avenue Gallery, Waukesha, Y.W.C.A.  
1966 - Featured demonstrating craftsman at Lakefront Festival  
1966 - One man show..Galesberg Art Center, Illinois  
1968 - One man show..Bradley University, Peoria, Illinois  
1975 - Eau Claire State University  
1976 - Ozaukee Art Center  
1979 - Potters Wheel group show..Frame Up Gallery, Janesville  
1982 - Group show..Potters Guild..Frame Up Gallery, Janesville  
1984 - Music In Art Show..Fish Creek Music Festival  
Ceramic Bell  
1985 - Charles Allis Art Museum, Milwaukee (exhibit of colored neriage porcelain)

1985-1992 - Part of <sup>various</sup> exhibitions at Miller Art Center - Sturgeon Bay and Hardy Gallery - Ephraim - WI -

1992 - Cardinal Stritch College - Group show

\* Best of show award - 1990 -

Primarily showing in <sup>my</sup> Potters Wheel Gallery - I do not enter competitive shows anymore - only a few invitationals -