

LEAT KLINGMAN - CURRICULUM VITAE

ACADEMIC BACKGROUND | 1995 – 2021

- MEd- Early Childhood Education | Hunter College, CUNY | Summa Cum Laude | New York, NY | 2019-2021 | Valedictorian at Graduation Ceremony
- MFA - Fine Arts | School of Visual Arts | Painting and Sculpture | New York, NY | 2003-2005
- BFA - Fine Arts | University of Haifa, Israel | Summa Cum Laude | Minor: Education & Music | 1995-1999

SELECTED TEACHING EXPERIENCE | 1997-2023

- **First Grade Judaic Studies Teacher, The Abraham Heschel School** | NYC | New York, NY | 2023- Present
- **Head Teacher, Kindergarten, P.S.059** | NYC DOE | New York, NY | 2022- Present
- **Co-Teacher, K-ICT, P.S.059** | NYC DOE | New York, NY | 2021- 2022
- **Student Teaching, P.S.166** | NYC DOE | Kindergarten Remote | New York, NY | February -May 2021
- **Assistant Teacher, Jewish Community Project** | Ages 3-4 | New York, NY | 2014- 2015 | Responsibilities: Curriculum planning and teaching, parent-teacher conferences; Clay presentation for whole school.
- **Head Visual Arts Teacher, The Gateway School** | K-8, Learning disabilities | New York, NY | 2006- 2014 | Responsibilities included: Designing and teaching the curriculum for the whole school: painting, sculpture, ceramics, printmaking, crafts, puppetry in film, live puppetry. Writing reports, parent-teacher conferences, scenery and props for annual plays, museum trips; Puppetry in film integration into Literacy studies; Gallery in School- exhibition and workshops.
- **Head Art Teacher, The Smith School** | Highschool, Special Education | New York, NY | 2005-2006 | Responsibilities included: Curriculum design, year-round assessment, parent-teacher conferences.
- **Jewish and Hebrew studies, East End Temple** | Ages 4-15 | New York, NY | 2013- 2016
- **Art & Creative Thinking Instructor at the Erika Landau Program for Gifted Children** | Ages 7-12 | Tel Aviv University, Tel-Aviv, Israel | 2001-2003
- **Art Guide & Group Activities Instructor and curriculum developer** | Haifa's Museum of Art & The Janco-Dada Museum | Haifa & Ein-Hod, Israel | 1999-2001
- **Art Instructor, Israeli State Prisons** (Damon, Kishon, Carmel) | Israel | 1997-2000

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT & ACHIEVEMENTS | 2006 – 2014

- *The National Puppetry Festival* | Finger Film Action- Adult workshop | Swarthmore College, PA | 2014
- *The National Puppetry Festival* | Puppet slam live-performance *Wolfy Solo*. Funded for a travel grant for honorary mention "Best of Puppet Slam" | Atlanta, GA | 2011
- *Brooklyn Arts Council* - Grant Recipient of the Community Fund Projects | Brooklyn, NY | 2012
- *Puppets in Film Festival at BAM* | Curator: Cheryl Henson | *Mister Pink & Horsy* and *Carmen* | Brooklyn, NY | 2011-2012
- *The Vermont Studio Center* - Artists Residency & Artist's Grant | Johnson, VT | 2006