KEVIN R. MULLER

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EDUCATION

Ph.D. History of Art, University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley, California, 2003 Dissertation: Cultural Costuming: Native Americans, Inversion, and the Power of an Exceptional White Masculinity

M.A. Art History, University of Oregon, Eugene, Oregon, 1991

Thesis: Innovation and Transformation: Jean-Baptiste Greuze and Genre Painting of the Ancien Régime

B.A. Art History and Criticism, University of California, San Diego, La Jolla, California, 1988

COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY TEACHING

2015-20 **College of Marin**, Kentfield, California

Professor of Art History, Department of Art

- History of Western Art: Prehistoric to Medieval
- History of Western Art: Medieval to the Nineteenth Century
- Nineteenth and Twentieth-Century Art
- Contemporary Art and Visual Culture
- Art of the United States: A Diverse History
- History of Islamic Art

2012-15 University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley, California

Visiting Lecturer, American Studies

- Senior Thesis Seminar
- American Culture in the Information Age
- Life Behind Swinging Doors: The Saloon in American Culture

2013-20 **Stanford University**, Stanford, California

Lecturer, Continuing Studies Program (note: not continuous appointment)

- The Art of the 60s and Its Enduring Impact Today
- Path to Early Twentieth-Century Abstract Painting: Monet to Mondrian
- Georgia O'Keeffe and Modernism: More Than Pretty Pictures
- Abstract Expressionism and the Reinvention of American Art
- Ten Iconic American Artists

2009-15 Chabot College, Hayward, California

Instructor, Art History and Museum Studies

- Museum and Gallery Techniques
- Museum Studies
- Twentieth-Century Art
- A Multicultural History of American Art
- Survey of Western Art: Ancient to Medieval

2004-14 University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley, California

Visiting Lecturer, Department of History of Art (note: not continuous appointment)

- American Art, Architecture, and Design 1800 Present
- Vision and Modernity in Nineteenth-Century European and American Art
- Outside Art and Artists (undergraduate seminar)
- Art and Life in Nineteenth-Century America (satisfied University's American Culture's requirement)
- Alternative America: Folk, Tourist, and Outside Art in the United States (undergraduate seminar)
- A People's History of American Art, Architecture, and Design (satisfied University's American Culture's requirement)
- Contested Spaces: Artistic Interventions in American Public and Private Life, 1970 to the Present (R1B course)
- Nineteenth-Century American Painting and Sculpture in an International Context
- Conquest, Assimilation, and Survival: Artists and Artisans in the American West (satisfied University's American Culture's requirement)
- Memory, Identity, and Belonging: America and Its Public Art (undergraduate seminar)
- Art and Life in Victorian America (R1B course)
- Art, Ethnicity, and Experience in the American West (R1B course)

2008-09 **Utah State University**, Logan, Utah

Assistant Professor of Art History

- Critical Theory and Contemporary Issues (Graduate MFA Seminar)
- Up Close and Personal with Late Twentieth-Century American Art: The Nora Eccles Harrison Museum of Art Collection
- Twentieth-Century Art
- Nineteenth-Century Art
- A Survey of Western Art: Renaissance to Post-Modernism

2007 University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley, California

Instructor, Fall Program for Freshmen

• History of Western Art: Renaissance to Modern

2000-07 San Francisco Art Institute, San Francisco, California

Visiting Lecturer, Department of Liberal Arts

- Western Art: Renaissance to Modern
- From Perspective to Abstraction: Art, Artists, and Art Worlds from the Renaissance to the Modern Era
- American Folk, Tourist, and Outsider Art
- Art, Identity, and the American Experience, 1776 present
 - Public Art in America (Reading and Composition Course)
- The Body in Modern and Contemporary Art (Reading and Composition Course)

2001 California State University, East Bay, Hayward, California

Lecturer, Department of Art

Modern Art

2000 Mills College, Oakland, California

Lecturer, Department of Art

- Introduction to Western Art: Ancient Greece to The Renaissance
- 2000 University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley, California

Lecturer, Department of History of Art

- History of Western Art: Renaissance to Modern
- 1998 California State University, East Bay, Hayward, California

Lecturer, Department of Art

Introduction to World Art

PUBLICATIONS

- 2016 "A Digital Archaeology of Saloons and Saloonkeepers," contribution to "Roundtable on Pedagogy, Jules Prown: Reflections on Teaching American Art History."

 Panorama: Journal of the Association of Historians of American Art. 2:1 (Summer 2016) journalpanorama.org
- 2013 "Benjamin West" and "Gilbert Stuart." Entries for *Oxford Encyclopedia of American Intellectual and Cultural History*, Joan Rubin and Scott Casper, eds., Oxford University Press.
- 2012 Review of *Thomas Kinkade: The Artist in the Mall*, Alexis L. Boylan, ed., Durham: Duke University Press, 2011. For *Cultural Analysis: An Interdisciplinary Forum on Folklore and Popular Culture*, 11 (2012).
- 2012 "Navigation, Vision, and Empire: Eighteenth-Century Engraved Views of Boston in a British Atlantic Context." In *Fields of Vision: The Material and Visual Culture of New England*, 1600-1830. Colonial Society of Massachusetts.
- 2010 Review of Lisa Strong, Sentimental Journey: The Art of Alfred Jacob Miller, 2008. For Western Historical Quarterly, 41:1 (Spring 2010), 112-13.
- 2009 Review of Micheal Guidio, *Engraving the Savage: The New World and Techniques of Civilization*, (2008); for *CAA.reviews*. 8/4/2009. www.collegeart.org
- 2008 "From Palace to Longhouse: Portraits of the Four Indian Kings in a Trans-Atlantic Context." *American Art Journal*, 22/3 (Fall 2008), 26-49.
- 2005 "Pelts and Power, Mohawks and Myth: Benjamin West's Portrait of Guy Johnson" Winterthur Portfolio: A Journal of American Material Culture, 40:1, 47-75.
- 2005 Essays for the catalogue of the permanent collection: Tim Burgard, et. al. *Masterworks of American Painting at the de Young*. M. H. de Young Museum, San Francisco, California.

"George Caleb Bingham, *Boatmen on the Missouri*: Paddle Wheels of Commerce," 86-89.

"George Caleb Bingham, Country Politician: Talking Politics," 90-93.

- "Winslow Homer, The Bright Side: Truth and Humor," 155-58.
- "William Glackens, *May Day in Central Park*: Making Americans Under the May-Pole," 259-62.
- "George Ault, The Mill Room: Aestheticization and Alienation," 311-13.
- "Arthur Dove, Sea Gull Motive: Spirit of the Sea," 323-25.
- "Diego Rivera, *Two Women and a Child*: A Mural in Miniature," 326-29 "Charles Sheeler, *Kitchen, Williamsburg*: Geometry and Craft," 350-53.
- "Charles Biederman, *Paris 140, January 14, 1937*: Abstracting Nature's Structure," 354-56.
- "Charles Howard, The Progenitors: Mysterious Ancestor," 385-87.

Exhibition review, "Women on the Verge: The Culture of Neurasthenia in 19th-Century American Art," Cantor Art Center, Stanford University, for *CAA.reviews*. 5/9/2005. www.collegeart.org

AWARDS

2010	The American Antiquarian Society, Last Fellowship
2008	Utah State University, Office of Research
	Pilot Program to Encourage Undergraduate Research in the Humanities
2000	The Huntington Library, Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Fellowship
1999	Henry Luce Foundation American Art Dissertation Research Award
1998-99	Smithsonian Institution, Predoctoral Fellowship, Smithsonian's American
	Art Museum
1998	University of California, Berkeley, Dean's Dissertation Fellowship
1994-95	University of California, Berkeley, Dean's Work-Study/Research Assistant
	Dissertation Fellowship
1991-92	J. Paul Getty Museum, Getty Graduate Internship
1989-90	Dept. of Art History, University of Oregon, Graduate Teaching Fellowship

CONFERENCE PAPERS, PUBLIC LECTURES, AND SYMPOSIA

2020 **Prints and Empire: Visual Culture of the 18th-Century British Atlantic.** Presented for Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco Docent Council, San Francisco, California

From Illusionism to Abstraction: Modern Art, 1860-1920. Six-week Zoom lecture series presented to Palo Alto Women's Club, California

2019 Artist Talk: Carlos Ramirez and His Arte Extraordinario. Conversation with artist Carlos Ramirez, Crocker Museum of Art, Sacramento, California

Metal/Shapes/Experience: Richard Serra's Sequence (2006) in Context. Art Focus Lecture Series, Cantor Arts Center, Stanford University, California

The Art of Richard Jackson in Context. Crocker Museum of Art, Sacramento, California

2018 Illusion or Reality: Still Life and Trompe l'Oeil. M.H. de Young Museum, San Francisco, California [w/focus on de Young Museum's permanent collection]

American the Beautiful: Landscape Mania. M.H. de Young Museum, San Francisco, California [w/focus on de Young Museum's permanent collection]

Identity and Myth: Forging the American Experience. M.H. de Young Museum, San Francisco, California [w/focus on de Young Museum's permanent collection]

From Judy Chicago to Cindy Sherman and Beyond: Transformations in Art and Feminism from the 70's to Now. Art Focus Lecture Series, Cantor Arts Center, Stanford University, California

Artistic Transformation in the Renaissances of Italy and Spain. Legion of Honor Museum, San Francisco, California, [w/focus on Legion Museum's permanent collection]

2017 **Existence, Emotion, Experience: The Art of Nathan Oliveira.** Art Focus Lecture Series, Cantor Arts Center, Stanford University, California

Art of the Russian Revolution and Beyond. Corte Madre Library, Corte Madre, California, [in conjunction with One Book One Marin]

The New Art: Or, How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love Contemporary Art. Informal Talk for Crocker Art Museum Docents, Sacramento, California.

The Art and Science of Impressionism. Mill Valley Library, Mill Valley, California

Concrete to Abstract and Back Again. Crocker Museum of Art, Sacramento, California, [w/focus on the Crocker's permanent collection]

Experience and Memory in the Art of the American West. M.H. de Young Museum, San Francisco, California [w/focus on de Young Museum's permanent collection]

People and Places of the Bay Area Figurative Movement. Art Focus Lecture Series, Cantor Arts Center, Stanford University, California

Concrete to Abstract: Representation, Experience, and Reality. Crocker Museum of Art, Sacramento, California, [w/focus on the Crocker's permanent collection]

Looking at Impressionist Painting and Andy Warhol and American Consumer Culture. College of Marin Open House, Kentfield, California

Nature, Culture, and The Many Lives of Still-Life. M.H. de Young Museum, San Francisco, California, [w/focus on de Young Museum's permanent collection]

More Than Meets the Eye: The Politics of Representation in American Art. Legion of Honor Museum, San Francisco, California, [w/focus on de Young Museum's permanent collection]

Revivals, Renaissance, and Reform: Jacksonian American to the Guilded Age.

- M.H. de Young Museum, San Francisco, California, [w/focus on de Young Museum's permanent collection]
- Fragments, Distortions, and Other Aesthetic Challenges in Art of the Sixties and Beyond. Crocker Museum of Art, Sacramento, California

Bodily Encounters: Experience, Objecthood, and American Sculpture. M.H. de Young Museum, San Francisco, California, [w/focus on de Young Museum's permanent collection]

Concrete to Abstract: Representation, Experience, and Reality. Crocker Museum of Art, Sacramento, California, [w/focus on the Crocker's permanent collection]

2013 **Contemporary California Art and Globalization.** Crocker Museum of Art, Sacramento, California, [w/focus on the Crocker's permanent collection]

Artistic Conventions and Regional Specifics: Artists Represent the Bay Area. Guest Speaker for Peter Bosselman, Landscape Architecture 138, University of California, Berkeley

Themes and Trends in Contemporary California Art. Oakland Museum of California, Oakland, California, [w/focus on the Oakland Museum's permanent collection]

Concrete to Abstract: Landscape. Crocker Museum of Art, Sacramento, California, [w/focus on the Crocker's permanent collection]

2011 Illusionism and Deception in Nineteenth-Century Trompe l'Oeil Painting. Fact and Fiction in Nineteenth-Century Genre Painting. Picturing Everyday Life in the 20s and 30s.

M.H. de Young Museum of Art, San Francisco, California, [w/focus on works in the de Young's permanent collection]

Concrete to Abstract: The Figure. Crocker Museum of Art, Sacramento, California, [w/focus on the Crocker's permanent collection]

Themes in California Art. Crocker Museum of Art, Sacramento, California, [w/focus on the Crocker's permanent collection]

Quilting Together Nineteenth-Century American Visual Culture. Fellows Talk, *American Antiquarian Society, Worcester Massachusetts*

Technologies of Reproduction and Vision: Visual Culture in the United States, 1700-1960. Paper presented at *Organization of American Historians Annual Conference*, Washington, D.C.

Teaching the Materiality of Visual Culture. Paper given at *From Parlor to Print Room to Classroom: Approaches to Teaching Historic American Visual Culture*, College Art Association Annual Conference, Chicago

Pictures that Pack a Punch: Violence in American Art, 1776-1918. Co-chair, College Art Association Annual Conference, Chicago, Illinois

2009-10 California and American Art: Gold Rush to the Present.

Part One: The Victorian Nineteenth Century.

Part Two: The Turn of the Century.
Part Three: The Rise of Modernism.
Part Four: Mid-Century Modernism.
Part Five: Modernism and Its Discontents.

Part Six: Post-Modernism: Art, Identity, and Politics.

Oakland Museum of California, Oakland, California, [Six part lecture series, w/focus on the Oakland Museum's permanent collection]

2009 Optical Toys, Vision, and the Making of Middle Class Manhood in Nineteenth-Century America. Paper presented at *Destined for Men: Visual Materials for Male Audiences, 1750-1880*, American Antiquarian Society, Worcester, Massachusetts

Manliness, Warriorness, and Capitalism in Antebellum St. Louis. Paper given at Missouri Valley Historical Conference, Omaha, Nebraska

2008 **What We Mean When We Say Art History.** Public Lecture (with Alexa Sand), Department of Art, Utah State University, Logan, Utah

Native and Modern: Asymmetry in the Art and Life of Oscar Howe. Public lecture, Department of Art, Utah State University, Logan, Utah

2007 Navigation, Vision, and Empire: Eighteenth-Century Engraved Views of Boston in a British Atlantic Context. Paper given at Fields of Vision: The Material and Visual Culture of New England, 1600-1830, American Antiquarian Society, Worcester, Massachusetts

Maya Lin's Vietnam Veterans Memorial In Context. Public lecture, Department of Art, University of South Dakota, Vermillion, South Dakota

Zuni-Made Man: Frank Hamilton Cushing and the Power of a Zuni Material Culture. Paper given at American Studies Association Annual Meeting, Oakland California

Queen Anne's Four Indian Kings: A Transatlantic Dialogue. Paper given at *American Art In a Global Context*, Smithsonian's American Art Museum, Washington D.C.

Becoming Zuni: Frank Hamilton Cushing and the Power and Risks of a Zuni-Made Masculinity. Paper given at *Artful Strategies and Necessary Risks: Negotiating Gender and Identity across Cultures and Disciplines*, Institute for the Study of Religion and Humanities, California State University, Sacramento

The Art Historian, the Artist, and the Anthropologist: Thomas Eakins's 1895
Portrait of Frank Hamilton Cushing. Public lecture, Department of Art, University of Nebraska, Kearney

From Palace to Longhouse: Portraits, Prints, and Early Eighteenth-Century English Imperial Policy. Paper given at *Empire, Borderlands, and Border Cultures: An Interdisciplinary Conference*, California State University Stanislaus, Turlock, California

- The Controversy over the Vietnam Veterans Memorial and the Shape of Public Memory. Public lecture, Department of Art, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, Michigan
- 2002 East meets West: George Catlin, Nineteenth-Century Masculinity, and the Future of the West. Paper given at *California American Studies Association*, University of California, Riverside
- 1999 **Going Native: Contesting Male Identity in Revolutionary America.** Public lecture, Smithsonian's American Art Museum, Washington D.C.
- 1998 Portraits, Power, and Memory: Imaging Iroquois Sovereignty and Eighteenth-Century English Statecraft. Paper given at *Midwest American Society of Eighteenth-Century Studies*, Michilimackinac, Michigan
- 1995 **Disaster in the 18th Century: Cultural Responses to Natural Catastrophe.** Symposium Moderator, University of California, Berkeley
- 1994 **The Illegibility of the Self: Joshua Reynolds's Self Portraits and the Pictorial Construction of Identity.** Paper given at *Group for Early Modern Cultural Studies*,
 Rochester, New York
- 1994 Seventh Annual Berkeley Symposium: Interdisciplinary Approaches to Visual Representation. Organizing Committee Co-Chair and Panel Moderator, University of California, Berkeley

MUSEUM, CULTURAL HERITAGE, AND ART WORLD EXPERIENCE

2013-20 Crocker Museum of Art, Sacramento, California

- More than Pots: Form and Meaning in Contemporary Ceramics. Two-day adult education course designed in conjunction with Crocker's permanent collection. Taught in museum classroom and museum galleries
- A Short History of LatinX Art and Artists. Two-day adult education course designed in conjunction with visiting exhibit: "Arte Extraordinario: Recent Acquisitions." Taught in museum classroom and museum galleries.
- Women, Art and History: E. Charlton Fortune, Corita Kent, and Faith Ringgold in Context. Three-day adult education course designed in conjunction with the following visiting exhibits: "E. Charlton Fortune: The Colorful Spirit; Power Up: Corita Kent's Heavenly Pop; Faith Ringgold: An American Artist." Taught in museum classroom and museum galleries.
- Making a Modernist: Richard Diebenkorn's Early Artistic Development. Two-day adult education course designed in conjunction with visiting exhibit: "Richard Diebenkorn: Beginings, 1942-1955." Taught in museum classroom and museum galleries.

- Finding Artistic Inspiration at the Worlds Fairs. Two-day adult education course designed in conjunction with visiting exhibit: "JapanAmerica: Points of Contact, 1876-1970." Taught in museum classroom and museum galleries.
- Claire Falkenstein: A Modern Artist in Context. Two-day adult education course designed in conjunction with visiting exhibit: "Claire Falkenstein: Beyond Sculpture." Taught in museum classroom and museum galleries.
- A Painter, His Palette, and the Pacific: Armin Hansen and California. Four-day adult education course designed in conjunction with visiting exhibition: "Armin Hansen: The Artful Voyage." Taught in the museum classroom and museum galleries.
- William Rice, Printmaking, and the Arts and Crafts Aesthetic. Two-day adult education course designed in conjunction with visiting exhibition: "The Nature of William Rice: Arts and Crafts Painter and Printmaker." Taught in the museum classroom and museum galleries.
- Twentieth-Century "Ism" in California Art. Four-day adult education course designed in conjunction with the Crocker Museum's permanent collection. Taught in the museum classroom and museum galleries.
- American Abstraction and Sam Francis. Four-day adult education course designed in conjunction with visiting exhibition: "Sam Francis and Five Decades of Abstract Expressionism from California Collections." Taught in the museum classroom and museum galleries.
- Jess, Duncan, and the Experience of Modernity. Two-day adult education course
 designed in conjunction with visiting exhibition: "An Opening of the Field: Jess,
 Robert Duncan, and Their Circle." Taught in the museum classroom and museum
 galleries.
- 2009-13 **Chabot College Art Gallery,** Chabot College, Hayward, California Curator-in-Charge and Coordinator of Museum/Gallery Studies Program

Exhibits: Community Visions [installed at Cinema Place Gallery, Hayward, CA], Hand, Eye, Mind: An Exhibit of Children's Art, Seventh Annual Student Exhibit; John Komisar Retrospective; The Street Art Show; Sixth Annual Student Exhibit; Public Art Proposals for Chabot College; Old Media/New Media; Clayton Theil Sabbatical Show; Fifth Annual Student Exhibit; Photography Portfolio Show; School of the Arts Faculty Show; See the Beat: The Visual and Material Culture of Music; Double Take: The Historic Hayward Area Re-photographed, 1880-2007 Co-Curator: Picturing Paradise: Cuadros from the Peruvian Women of Pamplona Alta as Vision of Hope

- 2013 **Hayward Area Historical Society**, Hayward, California Researcher/Developer Historic House Tour: Victorian by Design: The Social and Cultural Meaning of Objects
- 2010 National Endowment for the Humanities Sponsored Summer Institute,
 California State University Monterey Bay
 "Making Objects Speak: Audio Guides for Teaching Visual & Material Culture"
- 2004 **Hayward Area Historical Society**, Hayward, California Author and co-researcher: *McConaghy House (1886) Art Survey*

Essay: "Not Her Mother-in-Law's Victorian: Florence McConaghy, the Ethos of Efficiency, and Changing Attitudes Towards Displaying Art in the Home, 1886-1918." (46 ms. pages plus notes)

1991-92 J. Paul Getty Museum, Malibu, California

Graduate Intern, Department of Paintings

1989 Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, La Jolla, California

Curatorial Department Intern

Researcher for Grynsztejn, Madeleine, *Alfredo Jaar*, La Jolla Museum of Contemporary Art. 1990 (exhibition catalogue)

1986 **Quint Contemporary Art**, San Diego, California

Intern

UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE SERVICE

2017-20 College of Marin

Chair, Department of Fine Arts and Architecture Senator, Academic Senate Member, Art on Campus Working Group Guest Lecturer, Humanities 101

2016 College of Marin

Juror, Student Exhibit

Department of Fine Arts. Scholarship Committee

2009-14 Chabot College,

Contributor, Art History Program Review and Student Learning Outcomes Assessment Profile.

2011-12 Chabot College

Part-Time Faculty Representative, Chabot-Las Positas Faculty Association

2010-11 Chabot College

Juror, John Williams Scholarship (for photography)

2009 Utah State University

Juror, USU Art Guild: Fifth Annual Student Warehouse Show

2008-09 Utah State University

Visual Resources Committee: Member and Chair Department of Art Website Committee: Member Department of Art Foundations Committee: Member

Tanner Project Committee: Member

2008 Utah State University, Guest Lecturer for Art In Context

Art in the Age of Revolution: Envisioning a New World Order The Power of Nature: Painting the Romantic Response

The Anxiety of Modernity: Abstraction, the Self, and the Real World
Iniversity of California, Coordinator, History of Art R1B (Writing and Composition)
San Francisco Art Institute, Faculty Assessment Review Committee for faculty in Liberal Arts and Painting
San Francisco Art Institute, Committee Reader, English Composition Writing Placement Exam and English Composition Portfolio Review
San Francisco Art Institute, Visual Studies Concentration Curriculum Committee
San Francisco Art Institute, Judge, Artists' Book Contest
Jniversity of California, Berkeley, Graduate Student Representative, Undergraduate Library Task Force
Jniversity of California, Berkeley , Steering Committee, Bay Area Eighteenth-Century Studies Group
Jniversity of Oregon , Dept. of Art History Graduate Student Representative, School of Allied Arts and Architecture Student Advisory Committee

COMMUNITY SERVICE

2011	Sun Gallery, Hayward, California Juror, "High Art"
2008	Hayward Area Historical Society, Hayward, California Member of Community Advisory Board
2007-08	Hayward Area Historical Society, Hayward, California Member of the Board