

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

- 1993 Studied and developed paper folding techniques of master instructor Shuzo Fujimoto, Sasayama-Cho, Japan, developed an original portfolio of crease patterns
- 1991–1992 Independent study of mosaics at the Alhambra in Granada, Spain for six months, continuing study and development of tiling composition skills to present
- 1990 BFA, University of California at Santa Cruz: Major in printmaking-lithography

Teaching Experience

- 2010 Two summer workshops teaching Shadowfolds textile folding techniques at the Exploratorium, San Francisco, CA
- 2009 Kansai Convention JOAS (Japanese Origami Academic Association), invited speaker
- 2009 Lecture “Tradition Meets Modern Digital Fabrication”, Dept. of Architecture, University of Tokyo, Japan
- 2007–present University of Colorado at Boulder; Intro to AutoCad, Advanced AutoCad, Intro to Computer Media, SlideTab Introductory Workshop, Design Build Studio 3 Geometry in Architecture Fall 2008 (www.shadowfolds.com/StudioFall08), Digital Design and Fabrication Spring/Fall 08-9 www.shadowfolds.com/DigitalFabricationCU, www.shadowfolds.com/DigitalDesignFabFall08
- 2005–2007 Illinois Institute of Technology School of Architecture, Chicago IL; Studio with Ben Nicholson, Intro to Architectural Computing, Digital Design and Fabrication with TJ Mcleish
- 2006 4OSME Origami Science Mathematics and Education Convention, presented “Recursive Folding from Flower Towers to Whirl Spools”
- 2006 Seventh Annual Gathering for Martin Gardner in Atlanta, GA, convention for mathematicians, magicians and puzzle enthusiasts, invited speaker
- 2005 Athens Science and Art Convention, Greece, invited speaker
- 2005 Origami Convention, Paris, France, invited instructor
- 2005 Folding Australia, Origami Convention, Melbourne, Australia, taught classes
- 2004 IIT, Chicago, IL, Paper Structure for Enclosing Space, a Visual Training class
- 1994–2007 OrigamiUSA Convention, New York, NY, taught classes
- 2001–2006 Japan Origami Academic Society annual conventions in Tokyo, Japan, presented, exhibited and taught classes
- 2004 Biwako Biennale, Ohmi-Hachiman, Shiga, Japan, taught paperfolding class
- 2004 Maryland College of Art, Online Tiling Applications, lecture for Islamic Art History class
- 2004 Bridges Art and Math Convention, Southwestern College, Winfield, KS, exhibited and presented authored paper “Applications for the Study of Tilings”
- 2003 ISAMA—Bridges Art and Math Convention, University of Granada, Spain, exhibited and presented authored paper “Folding Polyhedra and Painting Mosaics”
- 2001 Third International Conference on Origami in Science, Mathematics and Engineering, Monterey, CA, presented original and proprietary techniques with authored paper “Scurls and WhirlSpools”
- 2000 Fourth Annual Gathering for Martin Gardner in Atlanta, GA, convention for mathematicians, magicians and puzzle enthusiasts, presented original and proprietary techniques: “Shadowfolds”
- 1998 Joint Mathematics Meeting (AMS-MAA), Baltimore, MD, presented paper “Spiral Vertextiles,” authored with John Conway, Mathematics Department, Princeton University, NJ
- 1996–1997 Art and Math Convention at SUNY, Albany, NY. Exhibited, lectured and conducted all-day class
- 1994 Second International Meeting of Scientific Origami, Otsu, Japan, group exhibit, presented authored paper “Extruding and Tessellating Polygons from a Plane”

Lab Skills

- 2005–present Illinois Institute of Technology School of Architecture; Setup and training provided for Bridgeport CNC Milling machine including software and hardware integration. IIT and UC Berkeley supervision and training for the use of the Universal Laser cutters provided to student workers and students, production of online and print tutorials for the use of the CNC mill and laser cutter, maintenance of machines. Operation and supervision of Precix 4’x8’ 3-axis CNC Milling machine (IIT), Techno IseI 3-axis CNC Milling machines at (UC Boulder and UC Berkeley) and Shopbot 3-axis CNC mill in shop in San Francisco, CA. Toolpath generation using MadCam, RhinoCam and VCarvePro.
- 1999–2004 Kadon Enterprises, , operated two Kern CadCam laser cutters (2’ x 2’, 2’ x 4’) for a game puzzle company. Production of acrylic puzzle pieces and engraved wooden game boards. Drafting for prototypes.
- 2004 Development Design Group, installed and operated rotary attachment for 18” x 24” Universal laser machine

Computer Skills

- Grasshopper assembly development for Rhinoceros
- RhinoScript/C#/Python script and plug-in development for Rhinoceros
- 2-D and 3-D drafting with AutoCAD and Rhinoceros and 3DMax
- Programming with Flash CS3; stand-alone/web applications and web pages
- Flash graphical user interfaces with video instruction for cross-platform Mac/Win CD-ROM production
- CGI scripting with PHP, Perl and javascript for dynamic web applications
- VBA programming with Excel
- Proficiency with DreamWeaver, Fireworks, PhotoShop, Illustrator, Acrobat Professional
- Proficiency with digital video editing and production

Other Professional Experience

- 2011-present CAD/CAM Manager for the College of Environmental Design at UC Berkeley.
- 2011 Design and production of custom art screens for seating area at the Exploratorium, San Francisco, California.
- 2007-present Member of design team headed by Jay Bonner (<http://www.bonner-design.com>) for architectural ornamentation of the American Institute of Mathematics Research Conference Center, San Jose CA
- 2009 Managed with Paul Hildebrandt group construction of largest Zometool structure (~45,000 parts) at the Bridges Art and Math conference in Banff, Canada.
- 2009 Developed FingerPanel system for no glue/fastener flat face mesh compositions and Rhinoscript/Grasshopper tools to automate drafting of parts
- 2008 Developed RibMaker and RibMakerCS systems to realize crossing rib compositions and Rhinoscript to automate drafting of parts www.shadowfolds.com/RibMaker
- 2007 Developed SlideTab paper engineering system and Rhinoscript tool to automate drafting of parts. www.slidetab.com
- 2006-2009 AuroDyn Inc. Vice President of Design
- 2006 Development of RhinoScripts for the automated detailing of space frames allowing a seamless integration with the architectural workflow for Aurodyn, Inc.
- 1998-present Kadon Enterprises, Pasadena, MD, associate designer of game puzzles
- 2004 Development Design Group, 2- and 3-D drafted, modeled and assembled 8' tall model of two 60-floor residential towers (shadowfolds.com/metro_flag/metro_flag.html)
- 2001 JQB, produced 14 Shadowfolds panels for Seattle, WA yacht designers, installed in seven state rooms of the *Aerie*, a 124' Delta yacht
- 1998-2001 Collaborated with fashion designer David Rodriguez on original apparel collection for women sold to Nieman Marcus, Jacobson's, Hirshleifers and Tootsies
- 1999 RTKL Associates, Washington D.C., installed Shadowfolds screen for office
- 1999 Kadon Enterprises, designed and programmed Flash-based online game Puzzle Parlor
- 1997 Lotus Software Development Corp., interior design installation
- 1995-present Developed proprietary techniques translating paperfolding patterns into uniquely folded textiles, called Shadowfolds.

Publications

- 2011 "Shadowfolds: Surprisingly Easy to Make Geometric Designs in Fabric" with co-author Jeff Rutzky. Published by Kodansha International. ISBN: 978-1-56836-379-0
- 2005 "Spiral Tilings with C-curves Using Combinatorics to Augment Tradition, published in *Renaissance Banff: Bridges Mathematical Connections in Art, Music and Science*, refereed conference proceedings, with editors Reza Sarhangi, Mathematics Department, Towson University, MD and Robert V. Moody Department of Mathematics and Statistics
www.shadowfolds.com/whirl_spools_paper/ScurlsBridges9.pdf
- 2005 "Spiral Tilings with S-curves and C-curves, Using Combinatorics to Augment Tradition," by Chris K. Palmer, *VisMath*, a visual mathematics art and sciences online journal (www.mi.sanu.ac.yu/vismath/palmer), with editors Slavik Jablan, Mathematics Institute, Belgrade, and Denes Nagy, Tsukuba Science City, Japan
- 2004 "Applications for the Study of Tilings," by Chris K. Palmer, Reza Sarhangi, and Slavik Jablan, Mathematics Institute, Belgrade, published in *Bridges Mathematical Connections in Art, Music and Science*, refereed conference proceedings, with editors Reza Sarhangi, Carlo Sequin, EECS Computer Science Division, University of California at Berkeley
- 2003 "Folding Polyhedra and Painting Mosaics," by Chris K. Palmer, published in *Meeting Alhambra*, refereed conference proceedings, with editors Javier Barrallo, School of Architecture, University of the Basque Country, San Sebastian, Spain, *et al.*, University of Granada, Granada, Spain
- 2001 Self-published four origami instructional CD-ROMs with original designs on cross-platform Mac/Win) with sales worldwide
- 2002 *ArtWorks This Week*, Maryland Public Television, featured artist
- 2000 *Origamido—Masterworks in Folded Paper*, Michael LaFosse, featured artist
- 1998 *Paper Art*, Michael LaFosse, featured artist
- 1997 *Passport to Math*, Larson, McDougal, Littell, featured artist with biographical sketch
- 1995 *Oru* magazine, *Origami Arabesque*, vol. 9

Exhibitions

- 2006 Moka Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2004 Celebration of Textiles, The Textile Museum, Washington D.C.
- 2003-2004 Origami Masterworks, Mingei International Museum, Balboa Park, San Diego, CA
- 2002 International Origami Exhibit, The Depot Arts Center, Anacortes, WA
- 1999 Pacific Northwest Arts Fair, Bellvue, WA
- 1998 Paris Origami, Carrousel du Louvre, Paris
- 1994-2004 OrigamiUSA Convention, New York, NY
- 1995 Oriental Influences, Pope Gallery, Santa Cruz, CA
- 1994 Origami Arabesques, The Origami House, Tokyo, Japan

Gallery Representation

- 2006-present Moka Gallery, Chicago IL
- 1997-present Origamido Studio, Haverhill, MA