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The powers of growth - as a woman, wife and mother have been the central focus of my work.

Art became the medium through which I processed my observations of happiness and grief, reflected in my work – with plants, flowers, and bulbs symbolising the necessity to adapt, change, conform and flourish. I completed my Bachelor's Degree in Fine Art at the University of the Free State in 2000 and reside in Stellenbosch with my family.

I love to paint with traditional oil paint, a slow drying process that grows in layers of detail that changes in a variety of colours. The progress becomes a fine-tuned balance of my well-being as an individual to maintain life.

## Education

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**BA Fine Art Degree** **1997 - 2000**

University of the Freestate

**Postgraduate Education Certificate** **2007**

University of South Africa

## Experience

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**Table View High School** **2002**

Visual Art and Design, Gr10 - 12

**Abbott's College** **2003 - 2007**

Visual Art and Design, Gr 10 – 12

Head of Department

**Somerset College, IEB** **2016**

Design, Gr 10 – 12

## Awards

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### **ABSA Arteller finalist**

**1999**

Johannes Stegmaan. Art Gallery. Bloemfontein

## Reviews

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### **Leef**

**2013**

Leuvennink, J. *Groeisiklus*. Leef. September 2013 Nr 96. pp 90 – 91.

### **Burger**

**2014**

Smith, S. Ware winterkuier in die Elgin vallei. Naweek, Wegbreek Burger. 7 Junie 2014 pp 4.

### **Garden and Home**

**2016**

Zachariou, C. The Strength to Grow. Garden and Home. Februarie 1100002. pp 14.

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### **KKNK**

**2016**

Van Coller Louw, P. Hanneke Benadé. KKNK Feesgids. April . pp 80-81.

### **VISI**

**2016**

Loots, D. All Sorts. Visi. Jun/Jul 2006 Nr 84. pp 060-069.

## Exhibitions

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### **2022**

- When wild woods whispers, Rust en Vrede Gallery - Durbanville

### **2021**

- Exhibition one: Knysna Fine Art, Visit the Gallery - Franschhoek
- Biophilia, Equus Gallery Cavalli Estate – Somerset West
- Persistence of Vision, Knysna Fine Arts - Knysna

### **2018**

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- Blushful Hippocrene, Knysna Fine Arts - Knysna

- Universe Next Door at Fynarts, Rossouw Modern – Hermanus
- Celebration of Winter, The Gallery Grande Provence – Franschhoek
- The Grande IV, Rust en Vrede - Durbanville

**SOLO 5**      *Fleurs de La Motte*, La Motte Museum - Franschhoek

## 2017

- 20 Years, Knysna Fine Art – Knysna
- Colours, Imibala - Somerset West
- Paradisiac, Daniel Kok Gallery – Hermanus
- Orchids in Art,Cape, Orchid Society & Stephan Welz and Co - Constantia o Summer show Exhibition, The Boutique Gallery – Franschhoek
- Arsgratia Arts, Grande Provence – Franschhoek
- Winter Exhibition, Daniel Kok Gallery, - Hermanus
- Nior, Daniel Kok Gallery – Hermanus
- Enigmata, Moór Gallery – Franschhoek

## 2016

- Playground, Moóre Gallery- Franschhoek
- The Boutique Gallery – Franschhoek
- Klei en Kwas, Oude Libertas Gallery – Stellenbosch
- Adam Tas Group exhibition, The Tank Gallery – Stellenbosch
- Transmutation, Knysna Fine Art – Knysna.
- Aeipathy, Equus Gallery Cavalli Estate - Somerset West

**SOLO 4**      *Bloom*, Grande Provence Gallery – Franschhoek

## 2015

- *Flowers and Art*, The Cape Town Flower Show, Castle of Good Hope – Cape Town
- *Mono/Lino Theo*, Jono Clare & friends, Art b Gallery - Bellville.
- *100 Geographies*, US Museum; Stellenbosch University -Stellenbosch
- *A penny for your Thoughts for Africa*, Liebrecht Gallery - Somerset West.
- Summer Exhibition, Knysna Fine Art – Knysna
- *Signatures*, Grande Provence Gallery - Franschhoek
- *Winter is Coming*, Equus Gallery Cavalli Estate - Somerset West
- *Ancestral Migration*, Rossouw Modern SPACE – Hermanus
- *Aphrodisiac*, Equus Gallery Cavalli Estate – Somerset West
- *The Frida Mash-Up*, Alex Hamilton Art Studio – Woodstock
- *Fear and Lost*, Pretoria, Pretoria Art Gallery – Pretoria

**SOLO 4**      *BLOOM*, Grande Provence Gallery - Franschhoek

## 2014

- *Kingdom*, Equus Gallery Cavalli Estate – Somerset West
- *Fear and Lost*, Oliewenhuis Art Museum - Bloemfontein
- *Tiny Treasures*, Art.b Gallery - Bellville
- *The Grand*, Rust en Vrede Gallery – Durbanville
- *Terror*, Liebrecht Gallery - Somerset West.

**SOLO 3**      *The Food Basket*, South Hill Art Gallery – Elgin

## 2013

- *Yours Sincerely Africa*, Art Event - Franschhoek
- *Panorama: Landscape as mapping of the soul*, D - Street Gallery - Stellenbosch.
- *A New Beginning*, South Hill Gallery - Elgin.
- *Hoodoo Heartland*, The Studio - Kalk Bay
- *Un-bound*, Grande Provence Gallery - Franschhoek.
- *Rust en Vrede*, Members Exhibition - Durbanville.
- *New Beginnings*, Art b Gallery - Bellville.

## 2012

- *I am an African Angels 7*, Grande Provence Gallery - Franschhoek
- *Facing the Future, Portraits for Africa*, Liebrecht Gallery - Somerset West.
- *Genre to Manifesto*, The Art Business Gallery - Piketberg.

## SOLO 2      *Siklus*, Rust en Vrede Gallery - Durbanville

- *Woordvrou*, Oude Libertas Gallery - Stellenbosch.

## 2011

- *Members Exhibition*, Rust en Vrede Gallery - Durbanville.
- *Stellenbosch Art Association*, J Olivier Art Center - Stellenbosch.
- *Ingrid Jonker, Chris Chameleon*, Rust en Vrede Gallery - Durbanville.

## 2010

- *De Zalze*, Marzé Botha Art Gallery - Stellenbosch.

## **2009**

- *Helderberg Wynfees*, Eikendal - Stellenbosch.

## **2008**

**SOLO 1**      *Verplanting*, Rust en Vrede Gallery - Durbanville

## **2007**

- *Decorex*, Rozendal Gallery - Cape Town.

## **2000**

- *Christmas Exhibition*, Oliewenhuis Art Museum - Bloemfontein
- *ABSA L'Atelier Art Exhibition*, Absa Gallery - Johannesburg.
- *ABSA Atelier regional finalist*, Johannes Stegmaan Gallery. Bloemfontein

## **1998 – 2000**

- *Student Art Exhibition*, Johannes Stegman, Art Gallery - Bloemfontein.