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Group Exhibitions

ArtPrize 2012: photomontage of Asbury Grove cottages titled *Coming Home*, City Art Gallery, 1168 Ionia NW, Grand Rapids MI, 9/19-10/7

LowellArts Collage, Assemblage & Construction Exhibition (a state-wide, juried competition): photomontage of Petra, Jordan titled *Petra Rocks*, King Gallery, 149 South Hudson, Lowell MI. 9/11-10/19/2012

Parallax AF New York City Premier: five small photomontages titled *Sandstone Sunsongs* and *The Heart of Petra*, Convention Center in SoHo area of New York City, 8/3-5/2012

Festival 2012 Regional Arts Competition: portrait titled *Introverts Anonymous Meeting*, Grand Rapids MI, 5/25-6/10/2012

Art in the Park Event: photomontages, prints and photocards, Park Sierra, Coarsegold CA 12/4/2011

ArtPrize 2011: photomontage of Lower Antelope Canyon titled *Descent into Heaven* Gerald R. Ford Presidential Museum, Grand Rapids MI, 9/21-10/9

ArtPrize 2010: *Michigan Wildflowers*

Three piece series of Michigan wildflowers with a frame of small wildflower prints surrounding one large flower print, Oppenheimer & Co Inc. Grand Rapids MI, 9/23-10/8

Solo Exhibitions

Honoring the Women of the World

(Portraits of women working to make life better for their families, their communities and themselves)

Plymouth United Church of Christ, Grand Rapids MI, 5/2009

Fuller Ave. Christian Reformed Church, Grand Rapids MI 8/2008

Voyages Deli and Coffee Shop, Lowell MI, 5/19-30/2008

Photographs Published

More specific information available on request

Escapees magazine: Thirty four photographs in *13 articles, 2002-2012*

Harriet's Corner (online publication for Grand Circle Tours): Eight photographs in *Ruth*

Hager: Scenes from Southern France, 9/28/2009
Family Motor Coach: Six photographs in article co-authored with Terry Hager titled
Glimpses of Michigan from the Bicycle Seat, 4/2000

Photography Contests

Park Sierra Photo Contest: ***Sunset Through Blue Oaks***, Received the most votes;
Now hangs in Park Sierra's Clubhouse, 3/2012
Bumblejax Online Photo Contest: ***Sunlight Plays in Antelope Canyon***, fourth
prize, 12/2011

Education

Creative Many Two-day Seminar for Artists during ArtPrize 2011 at the Urban Institute
for Contemporary Art, Grand Rapids MI, 10/4-5/2011
M.S. in Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing, University of Michigan, 1978
My nursing career as an educator, researcher, therapist, administrator and care
provider has taught me many skills that I now use as a fine art photographer.

Related Experience

Small Business Owner of Ruth Hager Photography: Sold calendars, photocards, framed
mini-prints, refrigerator magnets and photo prints (More specific information
available on request), 2003-Present
Coordinator for Park Sierra's Art in the Park Event, Coarsegold CA, 12/11/2011
Photographer for Park Sierra: photos of new members and old, 2010
Sold photocards through Art Beat, an art gallery owned by Karen Godfrey formerly located in
Grand Rapids, 2006-2007
RV travel through some of Mexico and most of the U. S. and Canada
Travel in Central America, Peru, Europe, Middle East Asia, Southeast Asia and Egypt

Personal Statement

I have been developing my photographic skills since receiving a Brownie Hawkeye camera as a
gift when I was 10. My hope is that my photography will do for others what it does for me; that
is, to open minds to the beauty all around and within us.
Viewers of my artwork compare it to the work of Georgia O'Keeffe, Norman Rockwell,
Grandma Moses and Peter Lik.