## Professional Bio- Jacob Van Wyk

Born - June 6, 1951. Hoofdoorp, the Netherlands

## **EDUCATION**

B.A. Calvin College - 1973 - Grand Rapids, Mich.

Liberal Arts - General Art Major

M.F.A. Western Michigan University - 1976 - Kalamazoo, Mich.

**Printmaking Concentration** 

**Special Studies:** 

University of Michigan Graduate Extension - 1973 - Figure drawing

Grand Valley State Colleges - 1974 - Printmaking

The Chicago Art Institute School of Art - 1977 - Lithography

Dynamic Graphics Foundation - 1993 - Computer Workshop

Frogman's Print and Papermaking Workshops - University of South Dakota 1998,99, 2000

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 30 years of college teaching experience covering a wide range of studio courses including photography, painting, drawing, printmaking, graphic design, introduction to art, advanced studio media, ceramics, sculpture, as well as courses in art appreciation and senior seminar. Institutions: Calvin College, adjunct 1975,76 Grand Rapids, Mich. Trinity Christian College, 1977,82 Palos Hgts, Ill. Beaufort County Community College, adjunct, 1985 Washington, NC. Dordt College, 1991 2014 Sioux Center, IA. Professor of Art Dept. Chair 16 of 23 yrs at Dordt College
- 6 years as branch manager of a commercial printshop in coastal North Carolina Morgan Printers Inc. 1986 91
- Active as professional artist and designer throughout his career including studio work in drawing, painting, ceramics, sculpture, lithography, intaglio etching, woodcut prints, and graphic design. Van Wyk has been included in many regional and national competitions and has mounted 25 one person exhibitions. He has been active in commission work in a variety of mediums and subject matter. In clay, he has produced several thousand ceramic vessels and ceramic commissions, sacramental vessels as well as figurative sculpture.

## MAJOR COMMISSIONS AND EXHIBITS

- 1995 Clay, cement and steel for Dordt College, commemorating the college's 40th anniversary. 'The Gift', incorporates a 10 ft tall figure and used over 2 tons of clay.
- 1997 Dordt College ceremonial mace from porcelain and wood in, and also a commemorative Plate assemblage for outgoing president J. B. Hulst. 9 16 inch dimensional plates.
  - 2009 Architectural Tile Sioux Center public library exterior.
- 2014 Collaborative dimensional tile work w. D. Versluis Library, Dordt College Recent major exhibitions.
- 2005 Sabbatical study exhibit of new Painting, Printmaking, Ceramic Vessels, Sculptural works in clay.
- 2007 35 year Retrospective of Drawings, Fine Art Prints, and Clay work with drawing underglaze, 100 works.
  - 2009 Group Faculty Exhibit works in clay, painting, prints.
- 2013 Angel / Beast Exhibit 30 clay vessels, 4 free standing figurative sculpture, 'The Coming'; wall tile/dimensional sculpture, 3 drawings, 8 monoprints, 13 litho/etching editions.' Low Places'; 40 black and white photos, medium and large format negative images. Silver prints and giclee digital output.