

EDUCATION

2015	MFA Photography, Savannah College of Art and Design, Savannah, GA (SCAD)
2009	MA Digital Photography, SCAD
1998	BS Industrial Technology – Concentration in Technical Photography, Appalachian State University, Boone, NC (ASU)
1995	BSBA Computer Information Systems and Production Operations Management, ASU
1994	AA Liberal Arts, Rowan-Cabarrus Community College, Salisbury, NC (RCCC)

EXPERIENCE

Present-2004	<p>Program Director and Lead Instructor Photographic Technology Program, Catawba Valley Community College, Hickory, NC (CVCC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• College instructor for both lecture and studio in traditional and digital photography• Teach traditional, hybrid, and online courses• Creation of online and hybrid courses using Blackboard platform• Lead the Photographic Technology curriculum programs implementation• Manage staffing for program including hiring and supervising part-time instructors• Created a student photography club that performs community service projects• Student advisor, photography club advisor, advisory board chair, Co-op facilitator, Faculty Senate board member• Host annual portfolio show to the public and perspective employers at the Hickory Museum of Art, Hickory, NC• Received in kind donations including Canon Pro-1 printers (2015)• Fundraise, coordinate, and chaperone student volunteers for national conferences including Imaging USA (Present-2006) and SE Conference Society of Photographic Education (Present-2012) Hosted Professional Photographers of NC Conference, Hickory, NC (2013)• Supervise and chaperone students to compete in Skills USA, students won 1st Place in State Competition, 8th Place in National Competition (2016), 1st, 2nd 3rd Place, 4th Place in State Competition, 2nd Place in National Competition (2014), 1st, 2nd, 3rd Place in State Competition, 8th Place in National Competition (2013)• Present various seminars for the public and professional organizations including the Keynote Speaker CVCC Commencement Ceremony (2010), PRIMA Annual Conference (2005) and 21st Century Technologies Conference (2007)• Provide marketing for college including Success Magazine, billboards, posters, brochures, and displays in the community
Present-1997	<p>Freelance Photographer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Clients including: The Uptown Shelby Association, United Way of Cleveland County, Blue Ridge Electric Membership Corporation, Appalachian State University Student Action With Farmworkers, Appalachian State University Cratis Williams Centennial Project, Southern Appalachian Sierra Club, Appalachian State University Sports Information, Gardner-Webb Sports Information, Northwest School of the Arts
2014	Teaching Assistant, Beginning and Advanced Photography Courses, SCAD
2004-2000	<p>Staff Photographer, The Shelby Star, Shelby, NC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Responsible for general photography assignments• Specialized in digital photography• Supervised university internships• Taught and scheduled workshops for the general public including for the Chamber of Commerce, Girls Club YMCA, and local camera club• Created a children's photography contest• Produced independent feature pages with photos and reporting
1998-2000	Staff Photographer, The Sanford Herald, Sanford, NC
1998	Staff Photographer, The Times Georgian, Carrollton, GA
1997	Photography Intern, The Watauga Democrat, Boone, NC

CERTIFICATIONS

Present-2014 Certificated Professional Photographer (CPP), Professional Photographers of America
2013 Online Teaching Certificate, The Vasa Project

SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITS

2016 *Entre los mayas: Un Padre e hija viaje*, CVCC Library, Hickory, NC
2015 *Country Roads, Appalachian Folk*, Arts Council of Lincoln County, Lincolnton, NC
 The Last of the Young Men, The Brick Row, Cornelius, NC
 Mountain Folk, Artist Guild of Statesville, Statesville, NC
2014 *Mountain Folk*, The Hiddenite Center, Hiddenite, NC
 Mountain Folk, Davidson Town Hall, Davidson, NC
2013 *Country Roads*, Caldwell Arts Council, Lenoir, NC
 Country Roads, Burke County Arts Council, Morganton, NC
2010 *Mountain Folk*, Watauga Arts Council, Boone, NC
 A Celebration of Heritage, Mitchell Community College, Statesville, NC
 A Celebration of Heritage, Hickory Museum of Art, Hickory, NC

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITS

2016 *Capture*, Center for Visual Arts Juried Photography Exhibit, Greensboro, NC
 Lenoir-Rhyne University Art Department 2nd Annual Juried Exhibition, Hickory, NC
 Sacred Journeys, The Alexander Public Library, Taylorsville, NC
2015 *Alternative Cameras: Pinhole to Plastic*, The Photo Place Gallery, Online, Juror Susan Burnstine
 Annual Member's Show, The Light Factory Museum of Contemporary Photography and Film, Charlotte, NC
 Essence of Change, The Gaston County Museum, Dallas, NC
 39th National Juried Photography Exhibition, Larson Gallery, Yakima, WA, Juror David D. Johnson
2014 *Autumn Photography Exhibit*, Burke County Arts Council, Morganton, NC
 Silver and Ink, Gutstein Gallery, Savannah, GA
2013 *10x10x10xTieton*, The Mighty Tieton, Tieton, WA, Juror Linda Tesner
 Road Trip, Hickory Museum of Art, Hickory, NC
 Nostalgia, Davidson County Community College, Lexington, NC
2011 *The Plastic Box*, Elon University, Elon, NC
 The 9th Annual Appalachian Mountain Photography Competition, Turchin Center for the Visual Arts, Boone, NC
2010 *The 8th Annual Appalachian Mountain Photography Competition*, Turchin Center for the Visual Arts, Boone, NC
2009 *Ebony: Faces of African Americans in Catawba County*, Hickory Museum of Art, Hickory, NC
 Inspirations, Davidson County Community College, Lexington, NC
2006 *Capturing Community Colleges*, North Carolina Museum of Art, Raleigh, NC

AWARDS

2017 Best of Fine Art Emerging Photographers 2016, <https://bwgallerist.com/2017/01/03/favorites-best-of-the-best-emerging-fine-art-photographers-2016/>
2015-2012 Honors Graduate and eLearning Graduate Scholarship Recipient, SCAD
2014 Community Supported Artist, Arts and Science Council, Charlotte, NC
 1st Place Hometown Division, Burke County Arts Council, Autumn Photography Exhibit
 1st Place Color, 1st Place Black & White, 2nd Place Color, Mooresville Artist Guild, Summer Photography Show
2011 Best in Show, Appalachian Mountain Photography Exhibit, Boone, NC
2010 Excellence in Teaching Award Recipient, CVCC
 Martin Luther King Spark Grant, Hickory, NC
 Community Folklife Documentary Institute Grant, Duke University, Durham, NC
2009-2006 Educator's Fellowship Scholarship Recipient, SCAD
2009 Regional Artist Project Grant, Hickory, NC
2007 1st Place Professional Division, Catawba Valley Camera Club, Image-ination
2005 Honorable Mention, Wildlife in North Carolina Photography Contest
2003 1st Place Feature, 2nd Place Feature, 2nd Place Photo Page, North Carolina Press Association (NCPA)
2002 1st Place Feature, NCPA
2001 2nd Place Sports, NCPA
1998 Cum Laude Graduate, ASU
1997 Photographic Technology Talent Award, ASU
 Technical Support Award, ASU
1995 Honor's Graduate, RCCC

SELECTED PUBLISHED WORK

- 2015 *Alternative Cameras: Pinhole to Plastic Exhibit Catalog*, Back Cover, Featured Artist, The Photo Place Gallery
- 2015 *Rich Community: Anthology of Appalachian Photographers*, Featured Artist, Sapling Grove Press
Thinking About the Next Big Bang in the Galaxy at the Edge of Town, Cover Photograph, Main Street Rag Press
The Last of the Young Men, Self-Published, Blurb
- 2013 *10x10x10xTieton Exhibit Catalog*, Featured Artist
- 2012 *For One Who Knows How to Own Land*, Cover Photograph, FutureCycle Press
- 2011 *Something Knows the Moment*, Cover Photograph, Main Street Rag Press
- 2010 *Country Roads: Travels Through Rural North Carolina*, Self-Published, Blurb
Paternity, Cover Photograph, Main Street Rag
Mountain Folk: Traditional Ways of Life in Watauga & Surrounding Counties, Self-Published, Blurb
A Celebration of Heritage: The Face and Voice of Latinos in the Catawba Valley, Self-Published, Blurb
- 2006 *Once Upon A Time*, Photography for Article, Our State Magazine, November 2006
- 2005 NC State Trooper Magazine, Cover Photograph, 2nd Quarter
Orville Hicks: Mountain Stories, Mountain Roots, Contributing Photographer, Parkway Publishers
- 2000 *Looking Backward: A NC Man Relives Frontier Days*, Contributing Photographer, Log Homes Illustrated, March 2000

BIBLIOGRAPHY

- 2016 Artist Feature, <http://www.artrevealmagazine.com/14th-issue/>
Artist Spotlight, <http://instagram.com/p/BK6jWuXgS4x/>
- 2015 Artist Feature, <https://superstitionreview.asu.edu/issue16/art/claytonyoung>
- 2014 Artist Feature, <https://cvccessentials.wordpress.com/2014/12/03/local-photography-instructor-earns-professional-photographer-certification/>
Artist Feature, <https://asccharlotte.wordpress.com/tag/clayton-joe-young/>
- 2010 Watauga Arts Council, MTN TV interview
- 2008 Artist Feature, Hickory Daily Record, Sept. 17, 2008
ArtSync Magazine Online, Featured Artist of the Month

MEMBERSHIPS/SERVICE EXPERIENCE

- Present-2015 Boy Scouts of America, Den Leader Pack 58, Davidson, NC
- Present-2014 Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools (CMS) Registered Volunteer, Davidson, NC
- Present-2014 The Light Factory, Charlotte, NC, Member
- Present-2012 Skills USA, Student Advisor
- Present-2009 Society of Photographic Education, Member
- Present-2007 Hickory Museum of Art, Hickory, NC, Member and Volunteer
- Present-2006 Student Photography Club, CVCC, Advisor
- 2017 Guest Speaker, CNPA Foothills North Region Monthly Meeting, Lenoir, NC
Headshot Photographer for Young Actor's Symposium, Northwest School of the Arts, Charlotte, NC
Scholastic Photography Judge, Mid Carolina Region Scholastics, Charlotte, NC
Judge, Full Circle Arts Black and White Photography Contest, Hickory, NC
Member, Professional Photographers of North Carolina
Portfolio Reviewer, Portfolio Throwdown, The Light Factory, Charlotte, NC
- 2016 Judge, Catawba Valley Camera Club Annual Member's Contest, Hickory, NC
Portfolio Reviewer, Portfolio Throwdown, The Light Factory, Charlotte, NC
Professional Photographers of America, Member and Student Advisor
- 2015 Davidson Elementary School, Davidson, NC, Photography Club Teacher
Guest Speaker, Lenoir Camera Club Monthly Meeting, Lenoir, NC
- 2013 Professional Photographers of North Carolina, Host
- 2010 CVCC Commencement Ceremony, Keynote Speaker
Guest Speaker, Hickory Rotary Club Monthly Meeting, Hickory, NC
- 2007 21st Century Technologies Conference, Hickory, NC, Speaker
- 2006 The Southwest Adventure, Catawba Valley Community College, Instructor
- 2005 Public Relations Information Marketing Association (PRIMA) Annual Conference, Baldhead Island, NC, Speaker
- 2005-2004 Cleveland County Photography Club, Creator and Vice President
- 2004 YMCA Girls Club of Cleveland County, Photography Teacher
- 2004 The Shelby Star Young Photography Contest, Creator and Editor

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

2016 *Seeing Through Photographs*, The Museum of Modern Art, Coursera.org
Present-2015 Adobe Generation Professional Courses
2015-2011 Society of Photographic Education Southeast Regional Conference
2017-2006 Imaging USA
2010 Community Folklife Documentary Institute, Duke University, Durham, NC
2006 Photoshop World, Boston, MA
2005 The Great Teacher Retreat, Hendersonville, NC