

LESLIE A. MILLER

Original Paper Cuts
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Work Experience:

- ◇ Practicing Artist, 1964-present
Painting, bookmaking, paper-cutting, sculpture
- ◇ Elementary School Art Teacher, 1968-2005
Framingham Public Schools, 1970-2005
Braintree Public Schools, 1968-1970
- ◇ Sales Associate, Frame King Express, Framingham, MA, 1985-1997
- ◇ Summer Camp Staff, Camp Hillcroft, Billings, NY, 1956-1985
Graphics Coordinator and Arts Coordinator, 1968-1985
Counselor (horse-back-riding, folk music swimming), Waitress, 1956-1964
- ◇ Peace Corps Volunteer, Iran, 1964-1966
Teheran: Jewish quarter preschools
Art teacher, student and women's advocate, teacher of English as a Second Language (adults and children)
Mashad: Junior high school, adult night school
Teacher of English as a Second Language
Organizer of summer school
Nationwide: Created crafts programs and volunteer training for summer schools

Education:

- ◇ Teachers College, Columbia University: MA in Art Education, 1968
- ◇ University of Michigan, Ann Arbor: Peace Corps Training, 1968
- ◇ Carnegie Institute of Technology: BFA in Sculpture, 1964
- ◇ Graduate-level courses: 1970-present
Hundreds of credits in art education, painting, and book-making, among many others
- ◇ Courage To Teach, 2002-2004
Participated in retreat series on the premise, "You teach who you are."
- ◇ Workshops in paper-cutting, 1981- present
- ◇ Workshops in book-making arts, 1994- present

Honors:

- ◇ Elementary Art Educator of the Year, Massachusetts Art Education Association, 1994-95
- ◇ Salute to Framingham Award for Excellence, 1995
- ◇ Garden of Exploration
Successfully solicited grants to create an award-winning garden at Potter Road School that is a teaching laboratory coordinating many disciplines, 1998, 1999

- ◇ Music and Sculpture Walk
Successfully solicited grants for a collaborative installation on the Potter Road Elementary School grounds. Activities included two visits by the children to the De Cordova Museum and visits from artists Laura Baring-Gould and Kitty Wales and musician Ricardo Frota.

Collections and Exhibits:

- ◇ Work in various collections
Including collections of: Mr. John Ingram, NYC, NY; Mr. and Mrs. Quackenbush, Framingham, MA; Dr. Warnie L. Webster, Acton, MA; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bush, Somers, NY; Mr. and Mrs. M. Solomon, Framingham, MA
- ◇ Commissioned paper cuts
Prime Computer (logo), private collections, Heifer Project International, Milford, MA, Public Library, Retirement presentation for Framingham, MA, School Superintendent
- ◇ Cooper Hewitt Museum of American Crafts, New York, NY
International Invitational show of paper cuts
- ◇ Water Street Mills Studios, Holliston, MA, 1990-2000.
- ◇ Fountain Street Open Studios, 2000-present
- ◇ Guild of American Paper Cutters
Various Shows, including Cabot-Cahners Gallery, Symphony Hall, Boston, MA
- ◇ Danforth Museum, Framingham, MA, members' shows

Workshops Organizer, Leader, Instructor:

- ◇ Journaling and Literacy, Co-Teacher, 1999–present
For-credit, graduate-level course for K-12 teachers; includes fabrication of many hand-made books for personal and classroom use
- ◇ School Climate Strategic Action, Team Member, Framingham Public Schools, 1997
- ◇ Papercutting Around the World, 1995
Invitational workshop for Braintree, MA, teachers about papercutting and how it connects with other curricula
- ◇ Workshops in Paper cutting, Book-making, and Calligraphy, 1980s-present
Many workshops conducted for Sherborn Artists Guild, New England Art Education Conferences, state conferences, local colleges, Framingham Public Schools, the New Jersey Art Educators Association, and others
- ◇ Lincoln, MA Public Schools Blue Ribbon Committee, researching their Art Education program.

Committees, Statewide and School-Based:

- ◇ Youth Art Month Committee, Massachusetts Art Educators' Association, 1980s-present
Responsible for student exhibitions at Worcester Art Museum, Symphony Hall (Boston), and Framingham, MA, Public Schools
- ◇ Curriculum Integration Committee, Framingham, MA, 1980-present
- ◇ Potter Road School Advisory Council, member and secretary, 1997–2005
- ◇ Potter Road Gathering Committee, founder and member, 1997-1999
- ◇ Open Studios Coordinator, Fountain Street Studios, 2005