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**Education:**

2006 New York University New York, New York  
Ph.D. Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages

Emphasis on technology-based language learning

Dissertation: Reading on the Internet for Native and Non-Native Speakers of English

1986 New York University New York, New York  
M.P.S. Interactive Telecommunications

Emphasis on design of user interface and education.

Thesis: Distance Education

1974 Lindenwood College St. Charles, Missouri  
B.A. English Literature /Communication Arts

Emphasis in Creative Writing, art history and Renaissance Literature

**Gallery Representation:**

2018-Present                      One of a Kind Gallery LLC                      Southern Pines, Pinehurst, NC

**Social Media:**

Website <https://tbmcdonellart.com> and <https://leapforartnc.com>

Facebook Art Page: <https://www.facebook.com/leap4artnc>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/leap4artnc>

Fine Art America: <http://leap4art.net>

Twitter: @leap4artnc

**Memberships, Shows, and Awards:**

Artist League of the Sandhills  
Aberdeen, NC

Full Member since 2008

**Shows:**

- 2014                      *Abstracting Nature Through Art*  
Deborah Kline and Tommy McDonell
- 2011                      *Escapes City and Country Landscapes*  
Tommy McDonell and Karen Walker

**Awards:**

- 2023                      Second Place in Mixed Media *Now is the Time*
- 2022                      First Place in Mixed Media *Balancing Act*
- 2018                      First Place in Mixed Media *Lift Off*
- 2017                      First Place in Mixed Media *Tale of Two Cities*

Arts Council of Moore County (ACMC) /  
Campbell House              Southern Pines, NC

Member since 2007

**Shows:**

- 2022                      Layers of Art: Textures & Clay
- 2017                      Life's Layers

- 2020 Purchase Award Mixed Media/Collage  
*Don't Give Up*
- 2017 Second Place in Mixed Media *City Life*
- 2009 Purchase Award Watercolor *Island Topography*  
Honorable Mention Watercolor *Island Topography*
- 2008 Honorable Mention Watercolor *Blue Birthday*

### **Online Shows, Awards, and Featured Artist**

- 2023 Award of Excellence, "The Healing Power of Art Inspired by Nature"
- 2021 Collage Association of America *Parallel Dimension*  
*NYC Me* Mixed Media and Collage Painting accepted to online show
- 2020 Award of Excellence Healing Power of Art and Artists
- Selection in an online show of 80 artists (you have to scroll down to see Painting" *Don't Give Up, Mixed Media*. And I have been chosen to write an article.
- 2010 *Say Yes to Hope* Sponsor of Selected Art, Canton, Texas

### **Gifts:**

- 2019 Named First Place in Mixed Media Purchase Award - Deborah Kline
- 2017-Present Donated paintings for Neuse River Golden Retriever Rescue

I donate paintings to almost any group that asks me, thus helping Breast Cancer, Childhood Cancers, Penick, and others.