

# HELLEN LEA

**EDUCATION:**

**Kansas City Art Institute**  
B.F.A., 1971

**University of Perugia, Italy**  
Graduate Work, 1954 - 1955

**Smith College**, Northampton, Massachusetts  
B.A., Art History, 1950 - 1954

**WORK****EXPERIENCE:**

**Vice President**, 1983 – 1984  
John Muller & Co.  
A graphic design firm

**Design Chairman**

Beyond Parsley

A cookbook for the Kansas City Junior League and winner of the 1985  
National Taste Maker's Award

**Fabric Designer**

Clients include: Martex Sheets, Brook Shields & Company, Jantzen, Anna Cole,  
Nipon, Perry Ellis, Wamsetta, Fieldcrest, Missouri

**Director of Sales**, 1959 - 1961

Frick Collection, New York

**Artist**, 1955 - 1956

Hallmark Cards, Kansas City, Missouri

**LICENSED ITEMS:**

G.R. Gibson Creative Papers: Thirty-three paintings reproduced as greeting cards,  
stationary, gift wrap, bags, invitations, framed prints, covers for social books and  
photo albums. Illustrations for the book come to the Garden, printed in Holland,  
England, Sweden, Brazil and France

Thermo-Serve Drinkware sold worldwide

Boxed Cards: Target, 2002

La France Home Furnishings, 2002 – 2003

Jigsaw Puzzles, Warren Industries, Ravensburger, Beverly Enterprises, Contempo

Calenders: Cedco, 1996; Tidemark, 1994; Time Factory, 1999; Tidemark, 2001.

Other Products: Dakin: Picture frames, boxes, mugs, potpourri and candle holders.

Tinsmith: decorative containers. Antioch Press: bookmarks. Sears: boxed cards used  
as premium item. Waechtersbach: ceramic mugs. Saturday Knight: shower curtain.

Lowe's Flag, 2008.

**PRINT EDITIONS:**

Arti-Grafiche, Milan; Portal Onus One Publishing; Vezvenke, Holland; New York  
Graphic Society; MBI; Postal Commemorative Society Stamp; MCS Industries

**Helen Lea**

625 West Meyer Boulevard  
Kansas City, Missouri 64113

Studio: (816) 361-6687

Fax: (816) 361-4960

E-mail: [helenleastudio@gmail.com](mailto:helenleastudio@gmail.com)

Web: [HelenLeaGallery.com](http://HelenLeaGallery.com)

# HELEN LEA

- GROUP EXHIBITIONS:** Patricia Clouthier Gallery - 1997  
Lake Forest Art Expo Invitational -199G, 1995, 1994, 1993, 1992, 1991. Eva Reynolds Fine Art Gallery - 1985  
Thirty Miles of Art, Kansas City - 1974, 1973, 1970 Kansas City Museum, Heritage Show - 1974, 1970
- SOLO EXHIBITIONS:** The Albrecht - Kemper Museum of Art - 2008  
Private Showings at Home - 2005, 2006, 2007, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013  
Open Artists' Studio Weekend - 2000, 2002, 2004  
Smith College Alumnae Headquarters - 2004  
Bank of Prairie Village - 2003  
United Methodist Church, Kansas City, Missouri - 2003  
Lauritzen Gardens, Omaha, Nebraska - 2002  
Off The Wall Gallery, Savannah, Georgia - 1999, 1998, 1997  
McCaughen & Burr Gallery, St. Louis, Missouri - 1995  
Eva Reynolds Fine Art Gallery- 1993, 1996  
University of Kansas, Student Union, Lawrence, Kansas - 1993  
Rick Moore Gallery, Naples, Florida - 1992  
Winston Churchill Memorial and Liberty, Westminster College, Fulton, Missouri - 1991  
Thornhill Gallery, Avila College, Kansas City - 1997, 1994, 1991  
Showcase 14, Naples, Florida - 1991, 1990  
Central Exchange, Kansas City - 1992, 1989  
Kansas University Regents Center, Kansas City - 1991, 1988, 1986  
Stephens College, Columbia, Missouri - 1971
- GALLERIES:** Rick Moore Gallery, Naples, Florida  
Off The Wall, Savannah, Georgia  
Eva Reynolds Fine Arts, Overland Park, Kansas
- SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS:** Kansas City Art Institute, Fireside - 2003  
Artists' Coalition - 2002  
Children's Mercy Hospital Benefit, "Paining in Monet's Garden," -1996  
Kansas City Public Television, "Great Gardening Symposium," - 1993  
Kansas City Art Institute, Vanderslice Group - 1992  
Kansas City Art Institute, Sketch Box Committee - 1991  
Central Exchange of Kansas City - 1989, 1992
- BIBLIOGRAPHY:** Hannon Blake. " Pick Your Palette," St. Joseph News Press, November 26, 2008: Live, 12-13  
Alderman, B J. "Garden Inspired Art," KCHG, July/August 2008:184,196 - 198  
Ross, Marty. "Green Trips Offer Fresh Perspective," The Kansas City Star, March 28, 2006: G9  
Ross, Marty. "Fertile Vistas," The Chicago Tribune, September 25, 2005: Sunday Section  
Ross, Marty. "Greetings From the Garden," The Kansas City Star, March 3, 2005: E  
Lokeman, Rhondra Chriss. "After They Create, Artists Take Charge of Their Destinies," The Kansas City Star, August, 10, 2003: B9  
Lea, Helen. "Garden Variety." The Independent, July 26, 2003: 23  
Mackle, Lynn. "Helen Lea: Seeking Nature's Serenity," Kansas City Magazine, October 2001: 59 – 62  
Sinnes, Court. "An Artist in the Garden," Flower and Garden Magazine, April 1990: 36 - 37

## Helen Lea

625 West Meyer Boulevard  
Kansas City, Missouri 64113  
Studio: (816) 361-6687  
Fax: (816) 361-4960  
E-mail: [helenleastudio@gmail.com](mailto:helenleastudio@gmail.com)  
Web: [HelenLeaGallery.com](http://HelenLeaGallery.com)

August 2014