



GIBSON FINE ART

## Sheila Kernan

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### About the Artist:

From a family with strong ties to the arts and a belief in fostering all things creative, Calgary's Sheila Kernan has journeyed from childhood Saskatoon to an education at the Alberta College of Art and Design to world travels filled with endless inspiration.

Today, Sheila continues her rapid ascent of the art world ranks, thanks to her extraordinary ability to transform city, prairie, and mountain landscape interpretations onto canvas, creating her own vibrant utopias teeming with like, depth and colour.

Sheila has already been named an active member of Federation of Canadian Artists, been granted full membership into the Alberta Society of Artists, named to the Heritage Property Corporations Art Exhibition and honoured with the Canadian Society of Painters in Watercolour's Julias Griffith Memorial Award.

Proof she's as Calgarian as they come, however, Sheila has been a featured artist in the Stampede Rotary Dream Home and had her work showcased in the Calgary Exhibition and Stampede Western Showcase.

Sheila's Fascination with bright lights of the cityscape and golden hues of the Canadian prairie, and remarkable ability to paint them into something immensely more intense and alive than seen by the naked eye has led collectors and curators alike to deem her "the one to watch".

Sheila's combination of youthful vision, enthusiasm for art and talent for transposing her vivid imagination into one-of-a-kind works make her one of Calgary's most sought-after artists, and without a doubt, someone from whom there is much to come.

### Biography:

#### EXHIBITIONS

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| 2021 | <i>Everything We See</i> , Bau-Xi Gallery, Vancouver, Solo<br><i>[a little bit of] This and [a little bit of] That</i> , Mayberry, Winnipeg, Solo |
| 2020 | <i>Simple Pleasures</i> , Canada House Gallery, Banff, Solo<br><i>This Moment Right Now</i> , Bau-Xi Gallery, Vancouver, Solo                     |
| 2019 | <i>I Have Something to Say</i> , Gibson Fine Art, Calgary, Solo<br><i>Forever is a Feeling</i> , Bau-Xi Gallery, Vancouver, Solo                  |

2018 *Made for Paint*, Mayberry Fine Art, Winnipeg, Solo  
*I Wonder*, Canada House Gallery, Banff, Solo  
*Just Paint*, Assiniboia Gallery, Regina, Solo

2017 *Featured Artist*, Art Toronto (Toronto International Art Fair), Mayberry Fine Art Booth A28, Toronto  
*The Stories We Tell*, Gibson Fine Art, Calgary, Solo  
*CANADA 150*, Canada House Gallery, Banff

2016 *Out and About*, Canada House Gallery, Banff, Solo  
*Our Calgary*, Gibson Fine Art Gallery, Calgary, Solo  
*Prairie*, Canada House Gallery, Banff

2015 *Your Journey Starts Here*, Gibson Fine Art, Calgary, Solo  
*Different Strokes*, Canada House Gallery, Banff, Solo

2014 *Making a Mark*, Gibson Fine Art, Calgary, Solo  
*Lights. Camera. Action.*, Assiniboia Gallery, Regina, Solo  
*Snow Days*, Canada House Gallery, Banff  
*Love Art Fair*, Mayberry Fine Art, Toronto

2013 *A Time. A Place. A Connection*, Gibson Fine Art, Calgary, Solo  
*Memories and Impressions*, Canada House Gallery, Banff, Solo

2012 *Ground Level*, Mayberry Fine Art, Toronto, Solo  
*Between the Lines*, Gibson Fine Art, Calgary, Solo  
*Boundless*, Assiniboia Gallery, Regina, Solo  
*Dare to Dream*, Canada House Gallery, Banff, Solo

2011 *Free to Imagine*, Gibson Fine Art, Calgary, Solo  
*What May Come*, Assiniboia Gallery, Regina, Solo  
*Urban Experience: The City as a Sensory Machine*, Elevation Gallery, Canmore

2010 *On the Edge of It*, Gibson Fine Art, Calgary, Solo  
*2010 Calgary Stampede Western Showcase Artist*, Stampede Grounds BMO Centre Halls D & E, Calgary  
*Playful Interpretations: People and Places*, Elevation Gallery, Canmore

2009 *Nowhere Near Ordinary: An Indulgence for Your Senses*, Gibson Fine Art, Calgary, Solo  
*A Bird A Stone A Letter*, Federation of Canadian Artists Gallery, Vancouver  
*2009 Calgary Stampede Western Showcase Artist*, Stampede Grounds BMO Centre Halls D & E, Calgary  
*Contrast and Harmony: Adventures in Colour and Motion in the Natural and Urban Setting*, Elevation Gallery, Canmore

2008 *Vibrations of Colour*, Gibson Fine Art, Calgary  
*The Heritage Property Corporation Art Exhibition*, The Lougheed Building, Calgary  
*Stampede Rotary Dream Home*, Stampede Grounds, Calgary, Solo  
*2008 Calgary Exhibition and Stampede Western Art Gallery*, Stampede Grounds Round Up Centre Hall C & D, Calgary  
*Sixth Annual Juried Members Show and Sale*, Leighton Art Center, Calgary

2007 *The Heritage Property Corporation Art Exhibition*, The Lougheed Building, Calgary

2006 *Just and Indication*, Marion Nicoll Gallery Main Space, ACAD, Calgary

2005 *Simply Squared*, Marion Nicoll Gallery +15 Window, Epcor Centre for the Performing Arts, Calgary, Solo

#### COLLECTIONS

ATB Financial

H&R Block

Calgary Health Region

AFA Alberta Foundation for the Arts

Downtown Dental

Brookfield

Suncor Energy Centre

Calgary Health Region

Maxim Group

Pulcinella's Restaurant

Numerous Private Collections

Calgary Health Region

Taurus Reality Group

Private collections around the world.

#### MEDIA COVERAGE

Unknown "New Public Art to enliven walls in Banff", Rocky Mountain Outlook, 2013

"The Art of Banff", Banff Crag and Canyon, 2013

"Sheila Kernan's Work Bold, Vivid, Boundless", Verb, 2012

Sheila Kernan "Light In The City", [Canadianinterviews.com/arts/](http://Canadianinterviews.com/arts/), 2011

"Colour her successful", Leader-Post, 2011

"Art Star Grew Up in Saskatoon", The Star Phoenix, 2011

"9 Artists to Consider Right Now", Galleries West Fall Issue, 2011

"Elevation Showing Evokes Sense of Fun", Rocky Mountain Outlook, 2010

"Lights Fantastic", Avenue Magazine, 2009

"Capturing Spring... on Canvas", Décor Magazine Calgary Sun, 2009

"Home is Where Your Art Is", Calgary Sun, 2008

"Artists Works Part of the House, Landscapes Painted for Prize Home", Calgary Herald, 2008

#### AWARDS

Awarded Major Corporate Commission for Stephen Avenue Place (SAP) building exterior and interior downtown Calgary, Calgary, 2019-2021

ACAD Alumni Legacy Award, Alberta College of Art and Design, Calgary, 2017

Public Art Installation, Lido Building, Kensington, Calgary, 2016

City of Calgary Public Art Installation, Bridge Banners, Calgary, 2015-16

Banff Public Art Installation, Bear Street Mall Wall, Banff, 2012

Calgary Stampede Best New Artist 2010 Western Showcase, Calgary, 2010

Awarded Active Membership to the Federation of Canadian Artists, 2008

Awarded Full Membership to the Alberta Society of Artists, Calgary, 2008

Received Second Place, The Heritage Property Corporation of Art Exhibition, Calgary, 2007-08  
Canadian Society of Painters in Watercolor (CSPWC), Julius Griffith Memorial Award, 2005  
ACAD Students Association Legacy Collection Scholarship, ACAD Students Association, Calgary,  
2005

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