



GIBSON FINE ART

Ian Sheldon

About the Artist:

Ian Sheldon is an award-winning, career artist internationally known for his diversity in both medium and subject. This diversity charts an interesting history marked by many career accolades along the way. With more than 20 years of professional representation in the arts, he is sure to have a lasting place in the art world and his work will undoubtedly stand the test of time.

While studying Natural Sciences at Cambridge University, Sheldon began painting the historic architecture of the city. This soon led to representation by the region's leading commercial gallery, a major exhibit in the city, and then an offer from Cambridge University Press to publish his exceptional volume of watercolours, ***Cambridge Footsteps: a passage through time in 2009***. This collection of paintings is taken from over ten years of work and was launched to celebrate the University's 800th anniversary. The originals have been sent to collectors all around the world, notably Cambridge University Press and a London-based private collector who has graciously loaned his collection to the Cambridge Judge Business School.

With television profiles, magazine cover stories and a considerable archive of other media coverage, Ian Sheldon is rapidly on his way to becoming a household name as both landscape painter and storm chaser. 2011 saw the publication of ***Storm Chaser: Canadian Prairie Skyscapes*** by Argenta Press. The book was celebrated in Toronto with a major art show supported by the Canada Council for the Arts and the Alberta Foundation for the Arts. This beautiful coffee-table book, bringing together some of Sheldon's finest iconic stormy paintings, is sure to cement Sheldon's presence in the national and international art scene in perpetuity.

Biography:

EXHIBITIONS

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| 2012 | <i>Storm Chaser</i> , Elevation Gallery, Canmore, Solo <i>Storm Chaser</i> , Gallery 1313, Toronto, Solo |
| 2011 | <i>Storm Chaser Book Launch & Art Show</i> , Brights Gallery, Blue Mountain <i>Spatial Explorations – The Poetics of Land & Sky</i> , Elevation Gallery, Canmore, Solo |
| 2010 | <i>Storm/Orage</i> , The Works Art & Design Festival |
| 2009 | <i>Taking Flight</i> , Prickly Pear Gallery, Carbon, Group |
| 2008 | <i>The Open Space</i> , Elevation Gallery, Canmore, Solo <i>Earth & Sky Biennial</i> , Lux Steakhouse + Bar, Edmonton |

- 2007 *Affordable Art Fair*, New York City
- 2006 *Essential Expanse*, Elevation Gallery, Canmore, Solo
Earth & Sky Biennial, Lux Steakhouse + Bar, Edmonton
- 2005 *Affordable Art Fair*, New York City
The Backs & Beyond, The Pitts Building, Cambridge University Press
Spiritus Mundi, The Lola Gallery and San Francisco International Arts Festival
- 2004 *Dark Skies*, The Lola Gallery, San Francisco, Solo
Earth & Sky, Uppercrust Café, Edmonton, Two-Person
- 2003 *Back to the Land*, Art Is Vital Gallery, Calgary
- 2002 *Riding the Range*, The Lola Gallery, San Francisco
Ian Sheldon – Alberta Artist, Modern Eyes Gallery, St. Albert
Light and Its Changing Moods, Willow Gallery, Two-Person
- 2001 *Across Canada*, Willow Gallery, Group
New Arrivals, Art Is Vital Gallery, Calgary, Group
January Mixed Show, Cambridge Contemporary Art, Group
- 2000 *The 2000 Alberta Winter Games Art Show*, Festival Place, Sherwood Park, Group
- 1999 *Silent Buildings*, Ziegler-Hughes Gallery, Edmonton, Solo
A Sense of Place, Centre Club, Edmonton, Solo
Images of Cambridge, Cambridge Contemporary Art, England, Group
- 1998 *Through the Eyes of the Artists*, Elk Island National Park, Group
Cambridge Views, Cambridge Contemporary Art, England, Group
Orchids, Devonian Botanic Gardens, Solo
Orchids, Ziegler-Hughes Gallery, Edmonton, Solo

MEDIA COVERAGE

- Rocky Mountain Outlook – Sheldon offers new storm chasing formats at Elevation, 2012
- Canadian Geographic, Photoclub: Storm Chaser, a Q&A with artist Ian Sheldon, 2011
- CKUA Radio ArtBeat, Interview with Chris Allen about *Storm Chaser*, 2011
- Canmore Leader – Moments in the open, 2011
- Edmonton Journal, Arts & Entertainments Section page 1 – The Works: beautiful art, unlikely places, 2010
- Edmonton Journal, Arts & Entertainments Section page 1 – Summer’s artistic “treasure hunt”, 2010
- Image Interiors, *Ireland’s most stylish interiors magazine*, 2010
- Edmonton Journal, Arts & Entertainments Section page 1 – Intimate Portraits of a Hallowed University, 2010
- Enjoy Gardening, A Prairie Perspective – art inspired by nature, 2010
- CKUA Radio Bookmark, 2009
- Notebook Magazine v3 Issue, 2009
- Alberta Primetime, Ch. 9 Access, 2009
- Rocky Mountain Outlook – Paintings Reflect Search for Silence, 2008
- Careers TV, episode 07-809, 2008
- Avenue Magazine, *Storm Chaser on Tornado Turf*, 2007
- Alberta Views, 2006

Legacy – Alberta’s Cultural Heritage Magazine, 2006
Wildlands Advocate – The Alberta Wilderness Association Journal, 2006
Edmonton Journal – Celebrating Earth and Sky, 2006
Cambridge Agenda, 2005
Calgary Herald, Arts & Style section, 2003
Cambridge – The Magazine of the Cambridge Society, 2004
New Trail
Global TV News, Primetime feature, 2002
Global TV News, Primetime feature, 2001
Legacy – Alberta’s Cultural Heritage Magazine

AWARDS

Canadian Who’s Who, 2012
Recipient of an ACDI Grant to Individuals, 2011
Bruce Peel Special Collections Library, 2011
The Works Art & Design, 2012
Edmonton Arts Council, 2005
Alberta Foundation for the Arts, 2002
Alberta Winter Games, 2000

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