



GIBSON FINE ART

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Drew Klassen

About the Artist:

Drew Klassen was born in Toronto in 1964, (mis)spent his youth in Winnipeg, and in 1986 enrolled at the Nova Scotia College of Art & Design in Halifax, Nova Scotia. Following his studies at NSCAD, he continued making art while supporting himself by varied means. While teaching English in Japan, Klassen began to exhibit his work, and on his return to Canada in 1998 he established a consistent studio practise. From 2001–2007 he taught representational methods and theory at the Dalhousie University School of Architecture and from 2006 to 2010 he taught painting at the Nova Scotia College of Art and Design. His work is held in numerous private and institutional collections in Canada and abroad. In 2010 he received one of five Established Artist Recognition Awards presented annually by the government of Nova Scotia. He is represented in galleries across Canada. Drew now lives and works in Ottawa, ON.

Biography:

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2014 Snow Days, Canada House Gallery, Banff, AB

Gallery Page and Strange, Halifax, Nova Scotia, 2014

Gallery Page and Strange, Halifax, Nova Scotia, 2011

Gallery Page and Strange, Halifax, Nova Scotia, 2009

Fred, Halifax, Nova Scotia, 2007

Artsplace, Annapolis Royal, Nova Scotia, 2006

Secord Gallery, Halifax, Nova Scotia, 2005

Ballroom Gallery, Halifax, Nova Scotia, 2004

Galerie St. Laurent + Hill, Ottawa, Ontario, 2003

Visual Arts Nova Scotia, Halifax, Nova Scotia, 2001

eyelevelgallery, Halifax, Nova Scotia, 2001

Khyber Centre for the Arts, Halifax, Nova Scotia, 2000

Studio 21, Halifax, Nova Scotia, 1998

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

Toronto International Art Fair (with Parts Gallery), Toronto, Ontario, 2013

Parts Gallery, Toronto, Ontario, 2012

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Papermill Gallery—Scarborough Arts Council: EGO, Toronto, Ontario, 2012

Dalhousie University Gallery—Faculty Exhibition, Halifax, Nova Scotia, 2010

Anna Leonowens Gallery—Faculty Exhibition, Halifax, Nova Scotia, 2010

Mount St. Vincent University Art Gallery, Halifax, Nova Scotia, 2006

Moed Gallery, Halifax, Nova Scotia, 2005

eyelevelgallery, Halifax, Nova Scotia, 2004

Anna Leonowens Gallery, Halifax, Nova Scotia, 2003

Ciparis Lennox Gallery, Toronto, Ontario, 2003

Argyle Fine Arts, Halifax, Nova Scotia, 2003

Galerie St. Laurent + Hill, Ottawa, Ontario, 2002

Argyle Fine Arts, Halifax, Nova Scotia, 2002

Khyber Centre for the Arts, Halifax, Nova Scotia, 2002

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Anna Leonowens Gallery, Halifax, Nova Scotia, 2001

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Argyle Fine Arts, Halifax, Nova Scotia, 2001

Secord Gallery, Halifax, Nova Scotia, 2000

Dalhousie University Gallery—Faculty Exhibition, Halifax, Nova Scotia, 2000

eyelevelgallery, Halifax, Nova Scotia, 2000
Stratford Gallery, Stratford, Ontario, 2000
Struts Gallery, Sackville, New Brunswick, 2000
Secord Gallery, Halifax, Nova Scotia, 1999
Olympic Commemorative Exhibition, Nagano, Japan, 1998
Tokyo Metropolitan Museum of Art, Tokyo, Japan, 1997

PUBLICATIONS

The Chronicle Herald, Halifax, May 9 2014
The Chronicle Herald, Halifax, July 6 2005 Arts Atlantic, Fall 2003 (no. 77)
The Chronicle Herald, Halifax, April 13 2003
The Daily News, Halifax, April 10 2003
The Coast, Halifax, September 12 2002
The Daily News, Halifax, April 11 2002
The Chronicle Herald, Halifax, May 3 2001
The Coast, Halifax, May 3 2001
The Chronicle Herald, Halifax, September 24 2000
The Chronicle Herald, Halifax, June 11 2000
Interview with Ian Epstein, CKDU Radio, Halifax, June 9 2000

PUBLIC, INSTITUTIONAL & CORPORATE COLLECTIONS

Government of Ontario Art Collection - Archives of Ontario, Toronto, Ontario

Toronto Dominion Bank, Canada

Stewart McKelvey Lawyers, Halifax, NS

Art Gallery of Nova Scotia, Halifax, NS (in eyelevelgallery's 'Paperworks' edition)

Dalhousie University Art Gallery, Halifax, NS (in eyelevelgallery's 'Paperworks' edition)

Mount St. Vincent University Art Gallery, Halifax, NS (in eyelevelgallery's 'Paperworks' edition)

St. Mary's University Art Gallery, Halifax, NS

Nova Scotia Art Bank, Halifax, NS

Butterfield Financial Services Hamilton, Bermuda

AWARDS

Creative Nova Scotia, Established Artist Recognition Award, 2010

Nova Scotia Art Bank Purchase Award, 2009

Nova Scotia Arts Council Grant, 2007

Nova Scotia Art Bank Purchase Award, 2004

ACADEMIC & INSTITUTIONAL

'Art as Religion,' paper delivered at the conference 'Arts and Genesis,' School of the Arts, Media and Culture, Trinity Western University, B.C., 2010

Sessional instructor in painting and studio, NSCAD University, 2006–2010

Sessional instructor in representational theory and methods, Dalhousie University School of Architecture (graduate studies), 2007

Sessional instructor in representational theory and methods, Dalhousie University School of Architecture (undergraduate studies), 2001–2007

Sessional instructor, workshop: Environmental Audio Installation, Dalhousie University School of Architecture (undergraduate studies), 2004

Board member, eyelevelgallery, Halifax NS, 2005 – 2006

Exhibition Committee, Visual Arts Nova Scotia, 2001 – 2002

EDUCATION

Nova Scotia College of Art & Design, painting, sculpture & drawing, 1986 – 1988

Dalhousie University School of Architecture, 1988 – 1992 B.E.D.S., M. Arch.