

Erin Ross

About the Artist:

Erin is extremely engaged in her community. She believes in promoting art as a crucial social investment in Edmonton, not only through her board work, but also by volunteering her time to assist on creative projects. She was a pecha kucha presenter at the Mayor's Think Tank: Our Arts, Our City, and has worked with the cities Arts Visioning Committee. She believes in promoting art as a crucial social investment.

Erin has been a director on the CTV Good Neighbour Fund board for the last 10 years, and chaired its largest annual fundraiser, The Poor Boys Luncheon, for 4 of those years. She previously sat on the Latitude 53 board, as well as their fundraising committee, and was a co-chair and member of ArtsScene Edmonton.

Erin was also part of a 3 woman urban intervention team, LIVINGbridge, which imagined, organized and implemented the planting of a sustainable, largely edible community garden on an abandoned rail bridge in the heart of downtown Edmonton.

A statement on her landscape work:

My work is a reflection of where I come from and how I relate to my surroundings. With my landscape pieces, I take the romantic idea of the prairies, the "golden west", then blow it apart and explore it. They are melancholic and beautiful in their exploration of landscape and the "dark pastoral". My work acknowledges traditional styles and genres of painting and drawing, but in an unexpected way. I like playing with nostalgia, familiarity and perception, and I have a deep interest in color theory. I use memory, personal and found photos as influence.

Biography:

SELECTED EXHIBITIONS

- 2018 Group show, "On Solid Ground" Mortar & Brick, Lethbridge AB, Sept 27
- **2018** Feature artist, Gibson Fine Art, Calgary AB, Dec 5-23
- 2018 Art Now, Saskatoon SK, September 20-23
- 2018 Duo Exhibition, "Dreamscapes" Assiniboia Gallery, Regina SK, Sept 14-Oct 6
- 2018 Group show and auction, "Art on the Block" Art Gallery of Alberta, May 11
- **2018** Commission projects for Anna Stuffco, Brandon Kot, Bradley Tutschek, private clients in Regina SK, Sarah Ramsey
- 2017 Commissioned projects for Hailey Poole, Craig Boa, Keith Martial
- **2017** Group show and sale, "Disruptor", Timbre Workshop, Edmonton AB, curated by Robert Sleight, Dec 8
- **2017** Custom piece, "Breath in this Chaos" commissioned by the University of Alberta Alumni Association to be reproduced and distributed to the 2017 graduating students
- 2017 Saskatchewan Fine Art and Craft Fair, hosted by Sask Galleries, Regina SK, Sept
- 2017 Solo show, "Neither Here nor There" new works produced during my studio practice in Cape Town, SA- Assiniboia Gallery, Regina SK, April 7-28
- **2017** Group show and auction, "Art on the Block" Art Gallery of Alberta, May 8
- **2017** Self-led studio practice, Cape Town, SA, Jan-March
- **2016** Commissioned projects for Robert Leurer, Nicole Dressler, Luke Manca, Sherry Antonucci, Ashley Parks, Danielle Mousseau
- **2016** Created an original body of work purchased and sold by the online curated space, Gather Sacred
- 2016 Saskatchewan Fine Art and Craft Fair, hosted by Sask Galleries, Regina SK, Sept
- 2016 Work purchased for auction, "The Works" Gala, Edmonton AB, June 25

- **2016/2015** Group show, Parade Gallery, Edmonton AB, curated by Dana Holst and Jill Davies-Shaw, Nov 27-Jan 3
- 2015 2 commissioned pieces for the Hotel Saskatchewan, Regina SK
- **2015** Piece purchased for Time Raisers, curated by Anya Tonkonogy, Nov 5, Edmonton AB
- 2015 Group show, Assiniboia Gallery, Regina SK, Dec 16-Jan 20
- 2015 Work purchased for auction, "The Works" Gala, Edmonton AB, June 26
- **2015** Solo show, "What is Left Behind" Art Gallery of St. Albert, St. Albert AB, June 28-Aug 4
- **2015** Group show and auction, "Art on the Block" Art Gallery of Alberta, Edmonton AB, May 8
- 2015 Donated a piece for auction, HIV Community Links "In the Know" fundraising event, Calgary AB, May 2
- 2015 Solo show, "Hold Steady", Assiniboia Art gallery, Regina SK, March 27- April 17
- 2014 Piece purchased for auction, North of Lipsky, Edmonton AB, Jan 28
- **2014** Group show and auction, "The Fine Art of Schmoozy" Latitude 53, Edmonton AB, Nov 24
- 2014 Work purchased for auction, "The Works" Gala, Edmonton AB, June 26
- 2014 Licensed image for album cover, musician Evan Quirk, Oct
- 2014 Collaborative show with Jesse Sherburne, community gallery, Latitude 53, Edmonton AB, Aug 6- Aug 20
- **2014** Group show, "A Record of events", Harcourt House, Edmonton AB, July 10-Aug 8 (exhibition based on performance)
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- **2014** Edmonton Art Council public art project, Millwoods Park Pavillion art panels, Edmonton AB, installed June

- **2014** Group show and auction, "Art on the Block", Art Gallery of Alberta, Edmonton AB, May 2
- 2014 Commissioned projects "Hart's Table and Bar" Edmonton AB, Joe Reid
- 2013 Group show and auction, "The Fine Art of Schmoozy", Lattitude 53, Edmonton AB
- 2013 Donated a piece for auction for the "Fashion With Compassion" annual fundraising gala, with proceeds going to the Compassion House Foundation, Edmonton
- 2013 Displayed and sold a collection of work, Elm Café. Edmonton AB, Oct
- 2013 Displayed and sold a collection of work, 29 Armstrong, Edmonton AB, Aug-Oct
- 2013 Group show, Unit B, curated by Mazi Javidiani, Edmonton AB, June 7-14,
- 2013 Donated a piece for "The Works" Gala and fundraising auction, Edmonton AB, June 25
- 2013 Donated 4 pieces to the WIN House golf tournament fundraiser, with proceeds going to Edmonton Women's Shelter Ltd
- 2013 Group show, "Recent Works", Assiniboia Gallery, May 10-31
- 2013 Commissioned painting for our former Premiere, the honorable Ed Stelmach
- 2013 Large commissioned painting for Novus Energy, Calgary AB
- **2012** Group show and auction, "The Fine Art of Schmoozy", Lattitude 53, Edmonton AB, Nov 24
- 2012 Donated a piece for auction for the "Fashion With Compassion" annual fundraising gala, with proceeds going to the Compassion House Foundation
- 2012 2 pieces commissioned by restaurant, Corso 32, Edmonton AB, (named one of Macleans 50 best restaurants in Canada)
- 2012 "Take Shelter", a collection of work, Thomas Moser showroom, Freeport, Maine, Sept 12- Dec 21
- 2012 Licensed two images for band "Scenic Route to Alaska" for their album artwork
- **2012** Donated a painting to Luekemia and Lymphoma society of Canada's "Team in Training" fundraiser, Edmonton AB

- **2012** Group Show, "Views from a Country Road", Assiniboia Gallery, Regina SK, May 9-June 26
- **2011** Group Show and auction, "The Fine Art of Schmoozy", Latitude 53, Edmonton AB, Dec 3
- 2011 "This is What." solo exhibition and collaboration with local photographer, 29 Armstrong, Edmonton AB, Nov 17- Dec 1
- **2011** Group show in the Great West Saddlery Building (including work from Gordana Zivkovic and Ruby Mah) Edmonton AB, July-August.
- 2011 "Remainder" solo exhibition and feature artist, Gibson Fine Art, Calgary AB, July 22- Aug 8
- 2011 Group show, Gibson Fine Art, Calgary AB, May 9-19
- **2011** Private Commission for Conroy Ross, Edmonton AB (3 pieces)
- 2011 Group show, Assiniboia Gallery, Regina SK, Nov 15- Dec 23
- 2011 Private commission for Maggnum Ventures, Calgary AB
- **2011** Group show and sale, "Hope at the Epicentre- Haiti Benefit Group Show" Enterprise Square, Edmonton AB, March 4
- 2010 Group show, "An Evening of Art" 29 Armstrong, Edmonton AB, Nov 18
- 2010 "The Weathering" solo show and feature artist, Gibson Fine Art, Calgary AB, May-
- 2010 Private commission for Jessica Fern Facette Photography, Edmonton AB
- 2010 Group Show, "Outside In" Gibson Fine Art, Calgary AB, Feb 7- March 8
- 4 large paintings purchased by United Farmers Association for head offices in Calgary AB
- 2009 Private commission for IXL Brick of Medicine Hat AB
- **2006** Graduation show, FAB Gallery, Edmonton AB
- 2006 Illustrated River City Shakespeare Festival posters for Vision Creative Inc. Edmonton AB

AWARDS

2002 Artist for Artists Award

2017 Sask Galleries, "Buy Art you Love" Nov 10 https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=kELTqNYExro&feature=player_embedded

2016

YEGPeople feature article, January 29

2016

Alberta Primetime segment, January 13

2015

Exhibit, "What Is Left Behind" write up, T8N Magazine, July issue, pg.18

2015

Exhibit, "What Is Left Behind" write up, Scott Hayes, St. Albert Gazette, June 3, pg. 31

2015

In studio interview with Heidi Johanason for Shaw TV Go https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=jk4ht-1D-gg

2015

Art Gallery of St Albert, "What is Left Behind" write up, http://artgalleryofstalbert.ca/ exhibitions-events/current-upcoming/what-is-left-behind/

2015

Piece featured and profiled by the Art Gallery of Alberta's social media platforms as a contributing artist to the "Art on the Block" fundraiser http://artontheblock.youraga.ca/ artists/erin-elizabeth-ross/

2014

Creative mornings speaker, On Color, Edmonton AB, September 19, https://creativemornings.com/talks/erin-ross/1

2014

Vue Weekly Edmonton, Back Words, "Storm Painter" by Chelsea Boos, June 4th http://foolscapstudio.squarespace.com/words/2014/6/4/storm-painter.html

2014

Article in Edmonton Journal, Weekend Edition, "Hit the Galleries" Feb 15-16

2013

Received an Urban Design Award of Excellence for Community-Based Projects for LivingBridge, Edmonton AB, http://www.edmonton.ca/city_government/ urban_planning_and_design/2013-urban-design-awards-winners.aspx

2013

Drawing showcased in "Cool Hunter" section of Avenue Magazine, September issue, Edmonton AB http://www.avenueedmonton.com/September-2013/Cool-Hunter-Shapes-of-Things-to-Come/

2013

Short-listed for Artist in Residence with the City of Edmonton Urban Forestry Department

2013

Feature in Avenue Magazine, August issue, Edmonton AB http://www.avenueedmonton.com/August-2013/Style-Q-A-A-Fashion-Chameleon2013

2013

Nominated by Michael Dub in the Emerging Artist Category for the 26th Annual Mayor's Celebration of the Arts Awards, Edmonton, AB. http://www.pacedmonton.com/?p=1166

2013

Painting, "I'll Believe in Anytihing" featured in Arabella magazine Spring 2013 issue

2012

Painting, "Close your Eyes" won the CSCE Art Awards' "Peoples Choice".

2012

Painting, "Close your Eyes" was short-listed for the CSCE Art Award, judged by a panel including SAAG curator Ryan Doherty

2012

Nominated for the Eldon and Anne Foote award by 29 Armstrong

2012

Nominated by Todd Janes in the Emerging Artist Category for the 25th Annual Mayor's Celebration of the Arts Awards, Edmonton, AB.

2011

Work featured in Parlour Life magazines "The Twelve Gifts of Christmas"

2011

Featured on vitamindaily.com, Calgary edition, for "This is What." art show

2011

Interview for Telus TV with Kari Skelton

2011

Interview on CBC Radio ONE with Isabelle Gallant, aired January 21.

2010

Feature on Alberta Primetime, 10 minute documentary segment entitled "Hidden Gems".

2010

Featured on the cover of SEE magazine, Edmonton, "Edmonton Art on TV" issue.

2010

Article in SEE magazine profiling art in the media.

2010

Feature article in SEE magazine, "Art for Herself and Others"

2010

Featured in Edmonton's *Profile* magazine, September edition, in the Art and Design section.

2010

Work chosen for pieces in the set design of the Lifetime movie, "The 19th Wife".

2009

Wine label illustrations featured on design blog, www.thedieline.com

2006

ACE award for outstanding product packaging

2005

Communication Arts design annual, award of excellence in illustration

2005

ACE award for outstanding product packaging

GALLERY REPRESENTATION

2018

Mortar & Brick, Lethbridge, AB.

2010 to present

Assiniboia Art Gallery, Regina, SK.

2008 to present

Gibson Fine Art Gallery, Calgary, AB.

MEMBERSHIPS

2018

Latitude 53 Contemporary Visual Culture Special Events Committee

2014 - present

Vice President, CTV Good Neighbour Fund

2011 - 2013

Latitude 53 Contemporary Visual Culture board member

2011 - 2013

Chair of fund-raising committee for Latitude 53 Contemporary Visual Culture

2011 - 2012

ArtsScene Edmonton co-chair

2011 - present

ArtsScene Edmonton director

2008 - 2011

Member and Mediator of YAF (YPO- Young Presidents Organization- affiliate)

2007 - present

Board member for the CTV Good Neighbour Fund

EDUCATION

2009

Completed a Portfolio Development Course offered through the University of Alberta Faculty of Extension

2006

Convocated with a Bachelor of Fine Art's Degree in Art and Design from the University of Alberta

2003

Completed a year of Visual Communication Design from the Medicine Hat College