

Ian Sheldon

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LIVES & WORKS IN

EDMONTON

ABOUT

Erin Ross is a contemporary Canadian landscape painter whose work explores the beauty, solitude, and emotional complexity of the Canadian prairies. Drawing inspiration from Alberta's expansive skies and pastoral landscapes, Ross creates atmospheric paintings that balance realism with a dreamlike sensibility. Her compositions reflect a deep connection to place, transforming familiar rural scenes into evocative meditations on memory, nostalgia, and the ever-changing relationship between land, light, and weather.

Working primarily in acrylic, Ross combines luminous colour, expressive mark-making, and carefully structured compositions to create landscapes that are both tranquil and emotionally charged. Moody cloud formations, glowing horizons, and expansive fields become vehicles for exploring contrast—between stillness and movement, beauty and melancholy, permanence and change. Rooted in close observation yet guided by intuition, her paintings invite viewers to experience the prairie as both a physical landscape and an emotional one.

A graduate of the University of Alberta with additional studies in Visual Communication and Design at Medicine Hat College, Ross has exhibited extensively throughout Canada and her work is held in numerous public and private collections. Now living and working in Vancouver, British Columbia, she continues to create paintings that celebrate the quiet grandeur of the Canadian landscape while offering a contemporary perspective on one of the country's most enduring artistic traditions.

EXHIBITIONS

2024	<i>Ian Sheldon – Featured Artist</i> , Gibson Fine Art, Calgary, SOLO
2022	<i>Taking Stock</i> , Gibson Fine Art, Calgary, SOLO
2020	<i>Finding Space</i> , Gibson Fine Art, Calgary, SOLO
2020	<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

EXHIBITIONS

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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	<i>Affordable Art Fair</i> , New York City
2006	<i>Essential Expanse</i> , Elevation Gallery, Canmore, SOLO <i>Earth & Sky Biennial</i> , Lux Steakhouse + Bar, Edmonton
2005	<i>Affordable Art Fair</i> , New York City <i>The Backs & Beyond</i> , The Pitts Building, Cambridge University Press <i>Spiritus Mundi</i> , The Lola Gallery and San Francisco International Arts Festival
2004	<i>Dark Skies</i> , The Lola Gallery, San Francisco, SOLO <i>Earth & Sky</i> , Uppercrust Café, Edmonton, Two-Person
2003	<i>Back to the Land</i> , Art Is Vital Gallery, Calgary
2002	<i>Riding the Range</i> , The Lola Gallery, San Francisco <i>Ian Sheldon – Alberta Artist</i> , Modern Eyes Gallery, St. Albert, SOLO <i>Light and Its Changing Moods</i> , Willow Gallery, GROUP
2001	<i>Across Canada</i> , Willow Gallery, GROUP <i>New Arrivals</i> , Art Is Vital Gallery, Calgary, GROUP <i>January Mixed Show</i> , Cambridge Contemporary Art, GROUP
2000	<i>The 2000 Alberta Winter Games Art Show</i> , Festival Place, Sherwood Park, GROUP

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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**AWARDS****2012**

Canadian Who's Who

The Works Art & Design

2011

Recipient of an ACDI Grant to Individuals

Bruce Peel Special Collections Library

2005

Edmonton Arts Council

2002

Alberta Foundation for the Arts

2000

Alberta Winter Games

MEDIA COVERAGE**2012**

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

2011

CKUA Radio ArtBeat, Interview with Chris Allen about Storm Chaser, 2011

Canmore Leader – Moments in the open, 2011

2010

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

2009

CKUA Radio Bookmark, 2009

Notebook Magazine v3 Issue, 2009

Alberta Primetime, Ch. 9 Access, 2009

2008

Rocky Mountain Outlook – Paintings Reflect Search for Silence, 2008

Careers TV, episode 07-809, 2008

2007

Avenue Magazine, Storm Chaser on Tornado Turf, 2007

EXHIBITIONS

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2006

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

2005

Cambridge Agenda, 2005

2004Cambridge – The Magazine of the Cambridge Society,
2004

New Trail

2003

Calgary Herald, Arts & Style section

2002

Global TV News, Primetime feature

2001

Global TV News, Primetime feature

Legacy – Alberta's Cultural Heritage Magazine