

Rick Pottruff

Education

- 1970 B.A. Fine Arts, McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario
1973 B. Ed. University of Toronto, Ontario
1973 - 1974 Ruskin School of Art, New College, Oxford University, London, England
Post-grad work intaglio/lithography
1974 – 1976 St. Martin’s School of Art, London, England
Post-grad work painting/printmaking
1976 - 1977 Member of 3-man partnership, Dog’s Ear Press, Oxford, England
1973 – 1977 Lived in England and traveled Europe

Teaching and Other Positions

- 2000 – Present
Seneca College (Animation)
Sheridan College
School of Architecture University of Waterloo
Ontario College of Art Toronto, Ontario
- Pre 2000
York University
University of Guelph
University of Waterloo
University of Regina
- 1980 – 1985 Director/Curator Art Gallery of Brant, Brantford, Ontario

Recent Exhibitions

- May 2011 ‘Search Engine City’ installation drawing. Art Gallery of Hamilton, Hamilton, Ontario
July 2008 ‘Drawing up a Storm’ Confederation Art Gallery, Charlotte Town, P.E.I.
December 2006 ‘Under Deconstruction’ (2 person with Kim Adams) Cambridge Galleries,
Cambridge, Ontario
Oct 2005 Future Cities, Art Gallery of Hamilton
July 2003 ‘Water’ Burlington Cultural Center, Burlington, Ontario
June 1999 ‘The Big Plane’ installation drawing. June 99 – June 2000 National Aviation Museum
Ottawa, Ontario

Solo Exhibitions

- Feb., 1998 Industrial Strength Drawing, Part I: The Exploding Notebook,
Hamilton Artists Inc., Hamilton, Ontario
- Jun. 1997 New Drawings, Sheridan College Gallery, Oakville, Ontario
- Jun. 1994 "Notebook Meltdown Lab: The Other Inventions", Dunlop Art Gallery
Regina, Saskatchewan
- Mar. 1994 "Camcorder", Mackenzie Art Gallery, Regina Saskatchewan
- Nov. 1993 Anna Leonowens Art Gallery, Nova Scotia College of Art and Design,
Halifax, Nova Scotia
- Sept. 1993 "Crustaceans and Other Barbequeables", University of Waterloo Art Gallery
Waterloo, Ontario
- Jun. 1993 The Works Project, Edmonton, Alberta, Drawing Installation/Performance
- Jun. /J ul. 1993 A.K.A Artist's Centre, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan
- Feb. 1993 "Camcorder I", Moorhead State University, Moorhead, Minn.
- Oct 1992 "New Work", Extension Gallery, Print and Drawing Council of Canada
Toronto, Ontario
- Jul. 1992 Artemisia Gallery, Chicago, Illinois
- Jul. 1992 The Works Project, Edmonton, Alberta
- Nov. 1991 "The Landscape of Appliances", Gallery I.I.I., University of Manitoba
- Jan. 1989 Transience and Instability", Mississauga City Art Gallery, Mississauga, Ontario
- Jun. 1988 Art Gallery of Windsor, Windsor, Ontario (circulated by A.G.H.)
- Jan. 1988 Kitchener-Waterloo Art Gallery, Kitchener, Ontario (circulated by A.G.H.)
- Sept. 1987 Art Gallery of Hamilton, Hamilton, Ontario
- Aug. 1986 School of Architecture , University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Ontario
- Jun. 1986 "The Big Picture", Glendon College Gallery, York University, Toronto, Ontario
- Mar. 1986 "More Pictures About Wrestlers, Snakes, Helicopters and Broadloom", Niagara
Artists' Centre, St. Catharines, Ontario
- Sept., 1985 Waddington Shiell Galleries, Toronto, Ontario
- Aug. 1984 SAW Gallery, Ottawa, Ontario
- Jun. 1984 Waddington Gorce Galleries, Montreal, Quebec
- Jun. 1983 Waddington Shiell Galleries, Toronto, Ontario
- May 1983 Ed Video Gallery, Guelph, Ontario
- Jan. 1983 Eye Level Gallery, Halifax, Nova Scotia
- May 1981 YYZ Gallery, Toronto, Ontario
- Sept. 1979 University of Waterloo, Modern Languages, Building Art Gallery

Selected Group Exhibitions

Jan. 1996	A Collaborative Drawing Installation, Zavitz Gallery, University of Guelph
Jan. 1996	“High Winds on the Skyway”, Art Gallery of Hamilton, Hamilton, Ontario
Oct. 1993	“Auto Body Parts”, Susan Whitney Art Gallery, Regina, Saskatchewan
Feb. 1993	Mackenzie Art Gallery, Faculty Exhibition
Oct. 1992	Canada Council Art Bank: Saskatchewan Artists, Maison de la Culture, Cote-des Neiges, Montreal, Quebec
May. 1992	Canada Council Art Bank – celebrating 20 years Mackenzie Art Gallery Regina, Saskatchewan
Sept. 1991	“Homage to Goya”, University of Waterloo Art Gallery
Jul. 1986	Invited Artist, V Bienal Americana de Artes Graficas, Museo de Arte Moderno La Tertulia, Cali, Colombia, South America
Apr. 1986	Faculty Exhibition, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Ontario
Nov., 1985	MacDonald Stewart Art Gallery, 20 th Anniversary Faculty Exhibition
Oct. 1984	Art Gallery of Harbourfront, Toronto, Ontario Contents Under Pressure – 4 person exhibition
Oct. 1983	Whitewater Gallery, North Bay Paperworks – 3 person exhibition
Aug., 1983	The Gallery Stratford Modern Times – 4 person exhibition
May 1982	Cambridge Art Gallery, Art On The Make – 3 person exhibition
Oct. 1979	Macdonald Stewart Art Gallery, University of Guelph, Faculty Exhibition
Jun. 1979	Grimsby Art Gallery – 2 person exhibition
Feb 1979	York University Art Gallery, On Markham Street, Faculty Exhibition
Apr. 1978	Art Gallery of Brant, Brantford, Ontario, Graphex 7
Jan. 1977	Thumb Gallery, London, England
Dec. 1976	Commonwealth Institute, London, England – 4 person exhibition

Awards

Jan. 1996	Canada Council Senior “A” Grant: Drawing
Dec. 1992	Saskatchewan Arts Council: Visual Arts Award
Sept. 1992	Canada Council Travel Grant
Mar. 1987	Canada Council “B” Grant
1982-1983	Ontario Arts Council Materials Grant
1981-1982	Ontario Arts Council Individual Artists Grant
1977-1978	Ontario Arts Council Individual Artists Grant

Public Collections

The Robert McLaughlin Gallery, Oshawa, Ontario
Canada Council Art Bank, June, 1994
Mackenzie Art Gallery, Regina, Saskatchewan
Canada Council Art Bank Purchase, June 1990
Canada Council Art Bank Purchase, June 1983
The Art Gallery of Brant, Brantford, Ontario
The Gallery Stratford, Stratford, Ontario
The Art Gallery of Hamilton, Hamilton, Ontario
The Kitchener-Waterloo Art Gallery, Kitchener, Ontario
Shandong University, China
McMaster University Art Gallery

Critical Reviews

Robert Reid "Exposing Modern Industry" Kitchener, Waterloo Record December 16, 2006
Catharine Osborne, "A Passions for Wings", Weekend National Post Arts, August 14, 1999
Gary Michael Dault, Catalogue Essay: Rich Pottruff vs. Paul Walty Industrial Strength Drawing, Apr. 14, 1998
Jeff Mahoney, "A Whirlwind of Pencil Art", The Hamilton Spectator Weekend Artscape, Saturday, March 28, 1998
Tim Long, Catalogues Essay: Camcorder
Mackenzie Art Gallery, Regina, March 1994
Reg Silvester, "The Trouble With Technology, Graphite Grit", See Magazine, June 30, 1993
Robert Reid, Kitchener Waterloo Record, September 25, 1993
Greg Beatty, "Rick Pottruff Drawings", Extension Quarterly Journal P.D.C.C., Fall, 1993
Greg Beatty, "Drawings on Consumer Culture", Regina, The Leader Post, April 12, 1993
Elizabeth Beauchamp, Edmonton Journal, June 29, 1992
Victoria Laubman, WBEZ P.B.S. Radio Chicago, USA, July 11, 1992
Deirdre Hanna, Now Magazine, Toronto, February 27, 1987
Robert Reid, Kitchener Waterloo Record, February 1, 1987
Grace Inglis, Hamilton Spectator, September 29, 1987
John Bentley Mays, Toronto Magazine, September 1987
Catalogue for Art Gallery of Hamilton Exhibition: Essay by Ted Fraser
John Sivell, "Wrestlers, Snakes, Helicopters in Rick Pottruff Show", Niagara Arts Journal, March 31, 1986
Christopher Hume, "Four Artists Show, Social Awareness", Toronto Star, November 2, 1984
Catalogue Essay "Modern Times", John Silverstein – Curator, The Gallery Stratford, August 1983
Pierre Paul Cormier, Le Droit, Ottawa, August 18, 1984
John Bentley Mays, Globe and Mail, May 14, 1981
Deirdre Hanna, "Contents Under Pressure", Vanguard, February 1985

Selected Lectures/Visiting Artist

October 1997	School of Architecture – University of Waterloo
September 1996	School of Architecture – University of Toronto
February, 1995	McMaster University – Department of Fine Art School of Architecture – University of Toronto
September 1994	School of Architecture – University of Toronto
November 1993	Nova Scotia College of Art and Design
November 1993	University of Waterloo – Department of Visual Arts
September 1992	University of Calgary, Visual Arts Department Alberta Printmaker’s Society Etching – “Calgary Grill”
March 1992	International Centre of Photography, New York, N.Y.
November 1991	“The Landscape of Appliances”, Gallery 1.1.1. University of Manitoba