

# DEBORAH HALPERN

Born 1957, Melbourne VIC

## QUALIFICATIONS + EXPERTISE

- 1976      Apprentice, Sylha Ceramics, Melbourne
- 1981      Tutor, Potter' School, Warrandyte
- 1984      Lecturer, Ceramics, Phillip Institute of Technology, Melbourne  
Let's make it together, Second Australian Sculpture Triennial, NGV
- 1985      Speaker & exhibitor, Fourth National Ceramic Conference, VIC
- 1990      Lecturer, Ceramics, Victoria College, Prahan Campus
- 1997      Co-ordinator, Visual Arts content for 'City Art & Soul', MCMB, VIC

## SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2009      *New Work*, Mossgreen, Melbourne
- 2008      Christine Abrahams Gallery, Melbourne
- 2007      *weird little things...* Christine Abrahams Gallery, Melbourne
- 2006      Deborah Halpern: Angel, Survey Exhibition,  
Ian Potter Centre: NGV Australia  
Christine Abrahams Gallery, Melbourne
- 2004      Christine Abrahams Gallery, Melbourne
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- 2001      Christine Abrahams Gallery, Melbourne
- 1999      *Art's Toys*, Christine Abrahams Gallery, Melbourne  
Buschlen Mowatt Fine Art Gallery, Vancouver Canada
- 1998      Chapman Gallery, Canberra, ACT
- 1997      Despard Gallery, Hobart, Tasmania
- 1996      *Small Works*, Christine Abrahams Gallery, Melbourne
- 1995      *Sculptures & Works on Paper*, Christine Abrahams Gallery, Melbourne
- 1992      Christine Abrahams Gallery, Melbourne
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- 1989      Christine Abrahams Gallery, Melbourne  
Irving Sculpture Gallery, Sydney, NSW

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## SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 1987 Christine Abrahams Gallery, Melbourne
- 1985 Christine Abrahams Gallery, Melbourne
- 2008 The Dream Festival, Melbourne
- 2006 The Gathering, Wangaratta Exhibitions Gallery, Wangaratta  
Helene Lempriere National Sculpture Award - Shortlisted
- 2005 Helene Lempriere National Sculpture Award  
– Highly Commended Award
- 2004 Melbourne Art Fair, Royal Exhibition Building, Melbourne  
VIVID, Art Auction for The Greens  
Fortyfivedownstairs Gallery, Melbourne
- 2002 Melbourne Art Fair, Royal Exhibition Building, Melbourne
- 1998 Heartworks, Sydney Central Mission auction, Sydney
- 1997 Then & Now, Meat Market Craft Centre, Melbourne  
Pathways, Manningham Artspace, Doncaster  
Bowled Over, Savode Gallery, Brisbane  
Copelen Chairs, Copelen Family Services auction, Sothebys Melbourne
- 1996-7 The National Sculpture Trail, Victoria University, Footscray, Victoria
- 1996 A Sculpture Walk in the Royal Botanic Gardens, 150th Anniversary, Melb  
Sculpture 3, Austin & Repatriation Medical Centre, Heidelberg, Victoria  
Univ. of Western Sydney Macarthur National Printmedia Acquisitive,  
Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre  
The Bowled and the Beautiful, Hewitt's Art Bookshop, Fremantle, WA  
12th Biennial Spring Festival of Drawing,  
Mornington Peninsula Regional Gallery
- 1995 Works on Paper - A Selection, Christine Abrahams Gallery, Melbourne  
Useless Objects & Real Things, Second National Crafts Conference, VIC  
Selected Recent Purchases, QUT Art Collection, QLD Uni. Of Technology
- 1994 Colin and Cecily Rigg Craft Award, NGV  
Then & Now, Victorian Ceramics Group, Meat Market Craft Centre, VIC
- 1992 10 Square Works for Wilderness Society, Linden Gallery, VIC  
Southgate Art Exhibition, Westpac Gallery 3, Victorian Arts Centre  
Third Australian Contemporary Art Fair, Melbourne
- 1992-4 Decorated Clay, touring exhibition, Queensland Art Gallery

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## COMMISSIONS

2006	'The Big Men Fly' Melbourne Cricket Club, Sculpture Commission for redevelopment Artworks Program, MCG, VIC
2002	'Power of the Community', Beauty Park, City of Frankston, VIC
2001	'The Spirit of Nilumbik', Eltham Town Square, Shire of Nilumbik
2001	'The Spirit of Enquiry', Australian National University, Canberra
1997	'Face Maze', Bourke Street Mall, Melbourne
1995	'Family', Highpoint Project, ceramic tiled sculpture/fountains
1992	'Ophelia', Southgate Project, Melbourne Promotional Designs for Australian Ballet international tour
1991	'Mermaid', mural fountain, private commission, Melbourne Designs for merchandise, The Gallery Shop, NGV
1990	'Double Figure', Melbourne City Council for the International Garden & Greenery Exposition, Osaka
1989	Margaret Murphy Memorial Mural, Shepparton, Victoria
1987	Fitzroy Nursery, iron entrance gates, Brunswick St. Fitzroy, Victoria
1987-89	'Angel', Bicentennial Sculpture, National Gallery of Victoria

## COLLECTIONS

Aichi Arts Centre, Aichi Prefecture, Japan // Art Gallery of Western Australia  
Artbank // Australian National University, Canberra  
Australian National Gallery, Canberra // Ballarat Fine Art Gallery  
Box Hill College of T.A.F.E. Collection // City of Frankston // City of Yarra  
Council of Adult Education Collection // Diners Club International  
Geelong Art Gallery // Heide Museum of Modern Art, Melbourne  
Melbourne University Collection Metricon Homes // National Australia Bank  
National Gallery of Victoria // Osaka Sculpture Park, Japan  
Queensland Art Gallery // QUT, Queensland University of Technology  
Shepparton Art Gallery // Southgate Collection, Melbourne  
UNSW Collection, University of New South Wales // University of Southern Queensland  
Victorian Ceramic Group Collection // Victorian State Craft Collection  
Visy Packaging  
Numerous Private and Corporate Collections in Australia & USA