

MITSU IKEMURA

Selected Biography

Born: Dec. 1942, Osaka, Japan / **Died:** Feb. 2022, Victoria, B.C., Canada
Resided in Canada for the past 50 years.

EDUCATION

Self Taught Artist

Kyoto University, Graduate School of Architecture

Studied Urban Design

Kyoto University of Industrial Arts & Textile Fibres, Bach. Of Architecture
(Engineering Degree)

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2022 "Travellers of Eternity" - Beckett Fine Art, Hamilton, ON., Canada
- 2007 "A Pilgrim's Evocation" April Fran Willis Gallery, Victoria BC
- 2005 October, "Autumn Wind" Front Gallery, Edmonton AB
- 2002 April, "Rites of Spring" Beckett Fine Art, Toronto ON.
- 2000 October, Front Gallery, Edmonton AB
- 1999 September, Beckett Fine Art, Toronto ON.
- 1998 March, Fran Willis Gallery, Victoria BC
- 1998 April, "The Birth of Spring" Beckett Fine Art, Toronto ON.
- 1995 March, West End Gallery, Edmonton AB
- 1995 West End Gallery, Victoria, BC
- 1993 October, Recent Works, Wallace Galleries, Calgary AB
- 1993 April, "In Shades of Spring Spring", Front Gallery, Edmonton AB
- 1991 June, Banff Series, Wallace Galleries, Calgary AB
- 1991 March, "Garden of Adonis" Front Gallery, Edmonton AB
- 1991 Hanging Garden, Muttart Gallery, Calgary, AB
- 1990 Art Gallery of St Albert, AB
- 1989 Fall, "In the Autumn Breeze", Front Gallery, Edmonton, AB
- 1989 "Banff Series", Beckett Gallery, Hamilton, ON
- 1988 "Celebrations of Japan", Front Gallery, Edmonton, AB
- 1987 Oppertshauer House Art Gallery, Stony Plain, AB
- 1987 "Spring Thaw", Beckett Gallery, Hamilton, ON
- 1987 "Oracle" Front Gallery, Edmonton, AB
- 1987 "Visions of Landscape", Mutant Art Gallery, Calgary, AB
- 1986 "Inner Visions", Virginia Christopher Gallery, Calgary, AB

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- 1985 September, Strathcona Place, Edmonton AB
- 1985 August, "Prairie Landscape", Kathleen Lavery Gallery, Edmonton AB
- 1985 June, St Paul Cultural Centre, St Paul, AB
- 1985 January, Multicultural Heritage Centre, Stony Plain, AB

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2004 June, Decorated Ceramics for the New World, Community Arts Council Gallery, Victoria, BC
- 1999 "Gallery Artists", Beckett Fine Art, Toronto, ON.
- 1997 "Summer in the City", Beckett Fine Art, Toronto, ON.
- 1995 "Autumn Exhibition", Beckett Fine Art, Four Seasons Hotel, Vancouver, BC
- 1992 "20 Year Anniversary Show", Shayne Gallery, Montreal, Quebec
- 1990 "Concurrent", Profiles Gallery, St. Albert, AB
- 1989 "Return to Laughter", Shayne Gallery, Montreal, Quebec
- 1988 "Travelling Exhibition Showcase", (from The Alberta Art Foundation Collection), Muttart Art Gallery, Calgary, AB
- 1988 "Jewish Peoples School & Peretz 75th Anniversary Celebration", Shayne Gallery, Montreal, Quebec
- 1988 "Hybrids-Painting & Sculpture", Muttart Art Gallery, Calgary, AB
- 1987 "Individuals-Ten Year Anniversary Show", Muttart Art Gallery, Calgary, AB
- 1986 "Paper Variations", Beaverhouse Gallery, Alberta Culture, Edmonton, AB
- 1986 "St. Albert City's 125th Anniversary Show", Profiles Gallery, St. Albert, AB
- 1985 October, "Discoveries", Latitude 53 Gallery, Edmonton, AB
- 1985 "Alberta Society of Artists", Profiles Gallery, St. Albert, AB
- 1985 "Invitational Juried Show", Multicultural Heritage Centre, Stony Plain, AB
- 1984 December, Beaver House Gallery, Edmonton, AB
- 1984 "Cross Canada Juried Mask Exhibition", Latitude 53 Gallery, Edmonton, AB
- 1984 May, "The Opening Show", Profiles Gallery, St Albert Civic Centre Gallery, AB

COMMISSIONS

- 2009 March, "Magma Trilogy", Cape Cod, USA, private residence sculpture installation
- 2002 "Lighting Sculpture", Oak Bay Restaurant, Victoria, BC
- 1994 June, Spiritual Art Installation, Good Shepherd Elementary School, Edmonton AB
- 1992 September, "Madrigal" hanging sculpture, New Edmonton City Hall
- 1991 September "Rondo" hanging sculpture, Clareview Recreation Complex, Edmonton AB
- 1991 July "Coronation" mixed media painting, Waterfront Centre Hotel, Vancouver BC
- 1986 "The Birds - Respighi" mixed media mural, Walter C MacKenzie, Health Sciences Centre Paediatric Unit
- 1986 "Inner Landscape", Hisago Co/ Ltd., Tokyo, Japan

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SELECTED PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

Canada Council Art Bank, Ottawa, ON
Alberta Foundation for the Arts, Edmonton, AB
Provincial Museum of Alberta, Edmonton, AB
University of Alberta Permanent Collection, Edmonton, AB
Walter C. MacKenzie Health Sciences Centre, Edmonton
The City of Edmonton, City Hall, (Hanging Mobile Sculpture)
The City of St Albert, Alberta, Permanent Collection
Consulate General of Japan, Edmonton, AB, Official Residence
Stony Plain Multicultural Heritage Centre, Stony Plain, AB
Grant McEwan Community College, Edmonton, AB
Cold Lake Regional Hospital, Cold Lake, Alberta

SELECTED CORPORATE COLLECTIONS

First City Trust Company, Edmonton
Pan Pacific Corporation, Seattle, WA, USA
Janssen Pharmaceutica, Mississauga, ON
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PanCanadian Petroleum, Calgary, AB
Canadian Utilities, Edmonton, AB
Office of Wayne Gretzky
Shell Resources, Calgary AB
Westinghouse, Hamilton ON
Price Waterhouse, Vancouver BC
Navister International of Canada, Hamilton ON
Ebisu Computer Software, Tokyo Japan
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J.B. Marketing, Montreal QC
Wood Gundy, Vancouver BC
First City Trust Company, Edmonton AB
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Landson Research Ltd, St. Albert, AB
Opinac Energies Ltd, Calgary AB
Bruce Weary Law, Edmonton AB

ARTIST IN RESIDENCE

Leighton Artist Colony, The Banff Centre, Banff, AB - 1985, 1986, 1987, 1989, 1990, 1997, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2005, 2007
Emma Lake Artist Colony, Emma Lake, Saskatchewan, August 1986
Artist in the School Program, Edmonton Catholic School Board 1985

COMPETITIONS

"Symphony in the Sky" mobile installation, Oak Bay Recreation Centre, Victoria, BC, 2011
Northern Light Theatre Company logo design 1984
St Albert Chamber of Commerce logo design 1984
"Imaginary Edmonton" first prize 1983

SELECTED MEDIA

1999 September 23, The New Canadian (Newspaper), "Landscapes of the Soul", Feature Art Coverage Article, Toronto, ON
1998 April 16, The Toronto Star, What's On, Featured Artist
1993 January 10, "Sunday Arts and Entertainment" feature CBC TV
1993 March 5, PBS(Spokane) & Access TV, Investing in Arts
1990 "Perspectives of Canadian Landscape" Research Colloquium feature, Roberts Centre for Canadian Studies by Kit Lort
1989 "Morningside with Peter Gzowski" 15 minute interview CBC Radio
1989 CHCH TV Hamilton, Arts Review-News
1987 January, CBC TV, Exhibition coverage of "Paperworks" at The Beaverhouse Gallery.