

AUSTRALIAN GALLERIES

MARIA KUCZYNSKA

Born 1948, Poland

- 1965-71 Master of Fine Arts, Academy of Fine Art, Gdansk, Poland
1971-75 Lecturer: Academy of Fine Arts, Gdnask, Poland (specialised in collaborating with architects)
1975-80 Formed "Habitat": group of artists and architects collaborating on new concept of producing more humane spaces in new and fast developing living districts of Poland
1979-present Member: International Academy of Ceramics, Geneva, Switzerland
1980 Judge: Faenza International Ceramic Competition, Italy
1985 Judge: Fletcher Challenge International Ceramic Group Competition, New Zealand

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2002 'Lauréate du Prix Bourdelle 2002' exhibition, Musée Antoine Bourdelle, Paris, France
1997 'Torsoes', Galeria Kordergarda, Warsaw, Poland
1992 Leonelli Gallery, Lausanne, Switzerland
1989 Allrich Gallery, San Francisco, USA
1988 Macquarie Galleries, Sydney
Christine Abrahams, Melbourne
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International Art Fair, Basel, Switzerland (Gallery Schneider)
Grosser Bachem Galerie, Cologne, Germany
Christine Abrahams, Melbourne
1982-83 Touring exhibition around Australia
1982 Gallery Schneider, Friburg, Germany
1980 'Premio Faenza', Grand Prix winner, Faenze, Italy
1979 Gallery of Modern Art (BWA), Gdansk, Poland

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2017 'Sculpture: medium and small scale – Mixed Sculptors', Australian Galleries, Sydney
2014 'one of each', Australian Galleries, Derby Street, Melbourne
2011 'large exhibition of small works', Australian Galleries, Royston Street, Sydney
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2009 'A Sculpture by...' Australian Galleries, Sydney
2007 'Small Pleasures', Australian Galleries Painting & Sculpture, Melbourne
'Stock Show' Australian Galleries Painting & Sculpture, Melbourne
2006 'Stock Show', Australian Galleries Painting & Sculpture, Melbourne
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'50th Anniversary Exhibition', 5th June, Australian Galleries, Melbourne
2002 'Sculpture 2002', Australian Galleries, Melbourne
2001-02 Touring exhibition with Jorg Schmeisser, Poland
1992-96 Group exhibitions, Meridian Gallery, Melbourne
1992 International Academy of Ceramics Exhibition, Yildiz Palace, Istanbul, Turkey
'Pro Arte Sacra', Kultural Center, Brussels, Belgium
'Plastik aus gebrannter erd – European Ceramic Exhibition', Kleinsassen, Germany

	'Chicago International New Art Forms', Chicago, USA
	'Australian Ceramics', Gallery L, Hamburg, Germany
1989	'Masters of Porcelain', Nyon, Switzerland
	'Bronze Sculpture', Muczgarok Museum, Budapest, Hungary
1988-91	Archibald Prize exhibition, Art Gallery of New South Wales
1988-89	Contemporary Australian Figurative Ceramics exhibition, Australia
1988	Wynne Prize exhibition, Art Gallery of New South Wales
	Sulman Prize exhibition, Art Gallery of New South Wales
	International Congress of Ceramics exhibition, Tallavery della Reina, Spain
1986	Elisabeth Schneider Award exhibition, Freiburg, Germany
1984	Christchurch Art Festival, Christchurch, New Zealand
	'Head and Bust', Gallery Schneider, Freiburg, Germany
	'Biennale of Small Forms', Budapest, Hungary
1982	'Artists for solidarity', Gdansk, Poland
1981	Koster Ceramic Gallery, Monchengladbach, Germany
	Carmen Dionyse International Ceramic Exhibition, Ghent, Belgium
1978	National Competition for Monument to W. Wyspianski, Krakow, Poland
	Faenza International Ceramic Art Competition, Faenza, Italy
1976	'Second Biennale of Young Artists', Sopot, Poland

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

2002	Lauréate du Prix Bourdelle 2002, Musée Antoine Bourdelle, Paris, France
1992	A.S.E.R. and Arts Program Division Award for Sculpture, Adelaide, SA
1989-90	Artist-in-residence, Meridian Foundry, Melbourne
1988	Invited guest: International Congress of Ceramics, Tallavera della Reina, Spain
1987-86	Scholarship to Kecskemet Ceramic Experimental Studio, Hungary
1986	Scholarship to Heusden International Keramic Werkcentrum, The Netherlands
1983	Artist in Residence, Western Australia Institute of Technology
1982-83	Artist in Residence, Canberra School of Art, Australia
1979	Grand Prize: Faenza International Ceramic Art Competition, Faenza, Italy
	Award for National Competition for Monument to W. Wyspianski, Krakow, Poland
1978	Gold Medal: Faenza International Ceramic Art Competition, Faenza, Italy
1977	Polish Ministry of Art and Culture Travelling Grant to Italy
1976	Second Award, Ceramic Sculpture - Second Biennale of Young Artists, Sopot, Poland

COMMISSIONS

1993	Family Court of Australia, Sydney
1992	A.S.E.R. and Arts Program Division, Adelaide
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1987	Daryl Jackson Architects, Canberra
1976	Jastrzebia Gora, Poland
1975	Hansen Sculpture Park, Lublin, Poland

COLLECTIONS

Art Gallery of Western Australia, Perth
Auckland City Art Gallery, New Zealand
Canberra School of Art, Canberra

Michael Buxton Collection, Melbourne
David P Robertson/Marlborough Galleries, New York USA
Governor-General of Australia
Hansen Sculpture Park, Lublin, Poland
International Ceramic Werkcentrum, Heusden, Holland, The Netherlands
Kecskemet Experimental Studios, Hungary
Latrobe Valley Arts Centre, Victoria
Museum Arlana, Geneva, Switzerland
Museum de Bellerive, Geneva, Switzerland
Museum of Art and Culture, Ghent, Belgium
Museum of European Ceramics, Frechen, Germany
Museum of International Ceramics, Faenza, Italy
National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne
National Museum, Gdansk, Poland
National Museum, Warsaw, Poland
Newcastle University, NSW
NAS Alumni Collection
New England Regional Art Museum, Armidale, NSW
Orange Regional Gallery, NSW
Polo Ralph Lauren, USA
Shepparton Art Gallery, Victoria
Société Générale, Paris, France
State Museum, Stuttgart, West Germany
University of Istanbul, Turkey
Victorian Meat Market Craft Centre, Melbourne

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Chiti, Jorge; "Aspects of Ceramics", catalogue essay, Argentine, 1991
Coullery, Marie-Thérèse; "Maria Kuczynska", International Academy of Ceramics magazine, 1993
Haynes, Peter; "Maria Kuczynska Ceramic Sculpture", Pottery in Australia, 1985
Hollister, V & McMiles, K; Contemporary Australian Figurative Ceramics, catalogue essay, 1988
International Art Fair; 20th Century Art, Art Books, Basel, 1986
Lane, Peter; Studio Ceramics, W. Collins & Sons Co., London, 1983
Lynn, Elwyn; "Human Survivors in Shattered Armour", Australian, 1986
Preaud, Tamara & Gautier, Serge; Ceramics of the 20th Century, Rissoli, New York, 1982
Scarlett, Ken; Contemporary Sculpture in Australian Gardens, G. & B. International Arts Ltd, London, 1993
Speight, Charlotte; Hands in Clay, USA, 1988
Sturgeon, Graeme; "The Kuczynska Torsos", Craft Arts Magazine, 1987