

AUSTRALIAN GALLERIES

ERWIN FABIAN

Born 1915 in Berlin, the son of painter, Max Fabian (1873-1926)

- 1938 Emigrated to London. Studied at London Polytechnic and received first commissions for book cover designs
- 1940 Interned and deported aboard the troopship 'Dunera'
Joined the Australian Army after internment at Hay, Orange and Tatura
- 1945 Produced covers and illustrations for the Current Affairs Bulletin, after transfer to the Army Education Unit until demobilisation
- 1949 Returned to London, continued working as a free-lance designer and lectured in Graphic Design at the London School of Printing and Graphic Arts
- 1962 Returned to Australia and began making abstract sculpture, exhibiting for the first time in 1965 at the Hungry Horse Gallery, Sydney
- 2000-01 A large retrospective exhibition, 'Max und Erwin Fabian: Berlin-London-Melbourne', was held in the Stadtmuseum, Berlin (Ephraim Palais)

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2015 'Recent Sculpture', Australian Galleries, Melbourne
'Recent Sculpture', Robin Gibson Gallery, Sydney
- 2013 'Recent Sculpture and earlier Monotypes', Australian Galleries, Derby Street, Melbourne
- 2011 'Recent Sculpture and earlier Monotypes', Australian Galleries, Derby Street, Melbourne
- 2009 'Recent Sculpture', Robin Gibson Gallery, Sydney
'Recent Sculpture', Australian Galleries, Derby Street, Melbourne
- 2007 Robin Gibson Gallery, Sydney
- 2006 'A Survey 1977 – 2004', McClelland Gallery + Sculpture Park, Langwarrin, VIC
'Current works 2005 – 2006', Australian Galleries, Melbourne
- 2005 Robin Gibson Gallery, Sydney
- 2004 Australian Galleries, Melbourne
- 2002 Robin Gibson Gallery, Sydney
- 2000-01 Stadtmuseum Berlin (Ephraim Palais) with Max Fabian, Berlin
- 1998 Robin Gibson Gallery, Sydney
- 1996 Robin Gibson Gallery, Sydney
- 1995 Australian Galleries, Melbourne
- 1989 Realities Gallery, Melbourne
- 1987 Robin Gibson Gallery, Sydney
- 1985 Robin Gibson Gallery, Sydney
- 1984 Realities Gallery, Melbourne
- 1980 Solander Gallery, Canberra
Robin Gibson Gallery, Sydney
- 1977 Warehouse Gallery, Melbourne
- 1973 Bonython Gallery, Sydney
- 1965 Hungry Horse Gallery, Sydney

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2020 'Inside Out: Space and Process: Erwin Fabian & Anne-Marie May', McClelland Sculpture Park + Gallery, Langwarrin, VIC
- 2018 'Year of the Dog', Robin Gibson Gallery, Sydney

- 2017 'Sculpture: medium and small scale – Mixed Sculptors', Australian Galleries, Sydney
 2016 'Repurpose', Drill Hall Gallery, Australian National University, Canberra
 2015 'Lurid Beauty: Australian Surrealism and its Echoes', The Ian Potter Centre, National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne
 2014 'one of each', Australian Galleries, Derby Street, Melbourne
 2011 'Out of Australia: prints and drawings from Sidney Nolan to Rover Thomas', British Museum, London
 'large exhibition of small works', Australian Galleries, Derby Street, Melbourne
 2009-10 'Summer Stock Show', Australian Galleries, Derby Street, Melbourne
 2007 'The story of Australian Printmaking; 1801-2005', National Gallery of Australia, Canberra
 'Small Pleasures', Australian Galleries Painting & Sculpture, Melbourne
 2006 'Stock Show', Australian Galleries Painting & Sculpture, Melbourne
 '50th Anniversary Exhibition', 5th June, Australian Galleries, Melbourne
 2004 'Group exhibition', Australian Galleries, Melbourne
 2002 Axia Modern Art, Melbourne
 1999 'Paintings and Sculpture', Australian Galleries, Melbourne
 1998 Australian Contemporary Art Fair, Melbourne
 'Sculpture X', Robin Gibson Gallery, Sydney
 '3 to 2 Drawings 1998', Herring Island Gallery, Melbourne
 1997 'The Europeans: émigré artists in Australia', National Gallery of Australia, Canberra
 'Sculpture IX', Robin Gibson Gallery, Sydney
 1996 'Sculpture VIII', Robin Gibson Gallery, Sydney
 1995 'Sculpture VII', Robin Gibson Gallery, Sydney
 1994 Australian Contemporary Art Fair, Melbourne
 'Sculpture VI', Robin Gibson Gallery, Sydney
 1993 'Sculpture V', Robin Gibson Gallery, Sydney
 1992 Meridian Gallery, Melbourne
 'Sculpture IV', Robin Gibson Gallery, Sydney
 1991 Australian Galleries, Melbourne
 'Sculpture III', Robin Gibson Gallery, Sydney
 1990 'Sculpture II', Robin Gibson Gallery, Sydney
 1989 Australian Contemporary Art Fair, Melbourne
 'Sculpture I', Robin Gibson Gallery, Sydney
 1981 First Australian Sculpture Triennial, Melbourne
 1979 New South Wales House, London
 1973 Tasmanian Art Gallery, Launceston, TAS
 'Sculpturescape '73', Mildura, VIC
 1968 Clytie Jessop Gallery, London
 Bear Lane Gallery, Oxford
 1966 Australian Sculpture Centre, Canberra

COLLECTIONS

PUBLIC

Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney
 Australian War Memorial, Canberra
 British Museum, London
 Charles Sturt University Art Collection
 Commonwealth Art Advisory Board
 Deutsches Historisches Museum, Berlin
 High Court of Australia, Canberra
 Jüdisches Museum, Berlin
 Kupferstich Kabinett, Berlin
 La Trobe University Art Collection
 McClelland Gallery + Sculpture Park, Langwarrin, VIC

National Gallery of Australia, Canberra
National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne
National Portrait Gallery, Canberra
Parliament House, Canberra
Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery, Launceston
Stadtmuseum Berlin (Ephraim Palais)
University of Wollongong Art Collection

PRIVATE

Bill and Lea Ferris Collection, Sydney
Dame Elisabeth Murdoch Collection, Langwarrin, Victoria
Elgee Park Sculpture Collection, Mornington Peninsula, Victoria
James Fairfax Collection, Sydney
Kurt and Annette Baier Collection, New Zealand
Luke and Anita Beljournon-Nettis Collection, Sydney
Margaret Tuckson Collection, Sydney
Michael Feller Collection, Sydney
Mr & Mrs R. Curry Collection, Sydney
Richard & Carolyn Green Collection, Sydney
Ruth Schaffner Collection, USA
William Burge Collection, Sydney

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