

lives and works in Auckland

Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Fine Art Sculpture, Glasgow School of Art, 1992

Masters of Arts in Interior Design, Manchester Metropolitan University, 1997 Ramon Robertson has been working as an artist in Auckland, New Zealand since arriving in 2011. Prior to this he lived in Glasgow, Scotland where he also worked as an artist, designer and tertiary lecturer.

In 1992 Ramon graduated from Glasgow School of Art with a BA Honours Degree in Fine Art Sculpture and In 1997 he completed a MA in Interior Design at Manchester Metropolitan University, for which he undertook sculpture and installation projects related to interiors and architecture.

Robertson's work engages with aspects of architecture and urbanisation. The mass production and standardization of objects is also a focus, in particular, the observation of the effects of our visual perception in regards to objects and environment. Themes linking to human condition and behavior in the city are also concepts explored in his work.

Ramon has exhibited widely in Auckland since 2011, including 'NZ Sculpture On Shore' in 2012, 2014 and 2016 as well as the 'Harbourview Sculpture Trail' in 2014 & 2016 - winning the people's choice award with his sculpture 'Void' (2014). Robertson was invited to exhibit in the prestigious 'Sculpture in the Gardens' at the Auckland Botanical Gardens, in 2015 and 2017 and was recently commissioned by the Wallace Arts Trust Collection for a large outdoor work, currently on display at Par Homestead.

#### **EDUCATION**

2009 University of Dundee Postgraduate Certificate TQ

1997 Manchester Metropolitan University - MA Interior Design & Sculpture (Distinction)

1992 Glasgow School of Art - Department of Fine Art B.A. (Hons) Fine Art Sculpture (1st Class Honours)



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### **SELECTED EXHIBITIONS**

2016 Sculpture Onshore

2016 Group Exhibition. nkb Gallery, Mt Eden

2016 Harbourview Sculpture Trail

2015 Sculpture in the Gardens, Auckland Botanic Gardens

2015 B.A.S.T., Black Asterisk Gallery, October 2015

2015 Void II installation, Wallace Arts Trust, Pah Homestead

2015 'New Works' Exhibition. nkb Gallery, Mt Eden

2015 Estuary Art Awards, Malcolm Smith Gallery, Howick.

2014 Sculpture Onshore with sculpture 'only in the world'

2014 Harbourview Sculpture Trail at Te Atatu Peninsula with sculpture 'void'

2014 Kaipara Coast Sculpture Gardens with sculpture 'Machination'

2013 Summer Show, nkb Gallery, Mt Eden

2013 Small Sculpture Prize 2013, Waiheke Community Art Gallery

2013 Images of Architecture, (2nd Prize), Mairangi Arts Centre

2012 20×20, Letham Gallery, Ponsonby, Auckland

2012 The Weathermen, Kaipara Coast sculpture gardens

2012 NZ Sculpture Onshore

2012 123, (ART WEEK), Uxbridge Centre, Howick

2012 The trusts art & sculpture awards, Waitakere, (3rd prize sculpture award), 5th-14th October 2012

2012 Korero, Uxbridge Centre, Howick

2012 Estuary Artworks Exhibition, Buddist Temple

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2012 Voltoplasm, Glasgow Print Studio

2009 CubeOpen Exhibition, Cube Gallery, Manchester

2007 Seven Cities Exhibition, The Lighthouse, Glasgow,

2000 Group show with six artists at The Chapman Gallery, Salford, Manchester

1999 Peugeot Design Awards, Overflow Shelf, Oxo Tower Wharf, South Bank, London

1999 Daytrippers, Streets Ahead Festival, Paterson Travel, Church Street, Manchester

1999 Fifty Rapid, Light Installation, 46-50 Oldham St, Manchester

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1998 Fibre House, Living Sites Award, RIBA, (short-listed entry), London

1997 Fibre House, Living Sites Award, RIBA , (short-listed entry) Knights Park Gallery, London

1996 Fibre House, Living Sites RIBA , (short-listed entry) Imagination Centre Gallery, London

1997 Glory, Glory, Holden Gallery, Manchester

1997 Brunswick Installation, Brunswick Mill, Manchester

1997 Room 302, Manchester Metropolitan University

1993 Light, The Tunnel Club, Glasgow

1993 Sabotage, (group show), Tramway Gallery, Glasgow

1992 Degree Show, Glasgow School of Art

1992 Royal Scottish Academy, Edinburgh

1991 Newbury Gallery, Glasgow School of Art

1991 Royal Scottish Academy, (Chalmers Jervise Award), Edinburgh



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### **AWARDS & DISTINCTIONS**

2014 People's Choice Award for 'Void': Harbourview Sculpture Trail 2013 Images of Architecture - 2nd Prize: Mairangi Arts Centre 2013 Small Sculpture Prizewinner: Waiheke Community Art Gallery 1998 Fibre House, Living Sites Award: RIBA, short-listed entry 1997 Fibre House, Living Sites Award: RIBA, short-listed entry 1996 Fibre House, Living Sites Award: RIBA, short-listed entry 1991 Chalmers Jervise Award: Royal Scottish Academy, Edinburgh

### **PUBLICATIONS & ARTICLES**

Sculptor of the Week - Ramon Robertson, Our Auckland Magazine, Feb 2016

Ramon Robertson, Insight into Gravity Bag, Video produced by Auckland Council, Nov 2015

Powerful force, Exhibition review: New Zealand Herald, June 2015, by TJ McNamara

#### COLLECTIONS

Wallace Arts Trust, Auckland

Royal Scottish Academy, Edinburgh

Glasgow School of Art, UK

Private Collections - New Zealand, Asia & Europe