

RUTH ADLER

BIOGRAPHY

Ruth Adler grew up in Alberta where the open blue sky of the prairies made a deep impression on her visual language. After high school, Ruth went off in search of a warmer climate and found it in Tel Aviv, where she divided her time between hanging out on the beach and studying art and design. She then spent the next twenty years traveling between Canada and Israel, with frequent stopovers in Italy and New York.

It was in Italy that Ruth discovered her love and fascination for textile pattern that inspired her in the study of textile design. She brought to this traditional field her prairie sensibility of simplicity and balance, and a wild colour sense reminiscent of Henri Matisse that she likely acquired from her years living on the shores of the Mediterranean.

For Ruth, there are no boundaries between art and design. She follows her erudite intuition that guides her along her evolving journey of creativity; one that celebrates life and nature in all its brilliant colour.

MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS

1998– The Canadian Place Names Project – Created a series of animated shorts about how
2008 places in Canada got their name.

1991– The Schneider Medical Centre of Israel, Petach Tikvah, Israel — Designer and art
1998 consultant

1986– Lipti Art to Wear, Tel Aviv, Israel — Established design company “Lipti Art to Wear”
2000 in Tel Aviv. Created images based on scenes from life in Israel which were hand
printed onto t-shirts and fabric and sold in Israel, Sweden, Germany, and the
United States. Served as principal partner and head designer.

EXHIBITIONS AND ART FAIRS

2008 Lonsdale Gallery, *Finding Ground*, Toronto, Canada, solo show

2008 Gallery 1313, *Ten Years Show*, group show

2007 Lonsdale Gallery, *Extravaganza*, Toronto, Canada, group show

2007 Toronto International Art Fair, Toronto, Canada

- 2007 Gallery 1313, Toronto, Canada, group show
- 2006 Jim Kempner Fine Art, *Around in Circles*, New York, USA, solo show
- 2006 Harbourfront Centre Gallery Home/Representation, Toronto, Canada, group show
- 2006 Toronto Alternative Art Fair, Toronto, Canada
- 2006 100% Design, London, England, Canada design
- 2005 Lennox Contemporary, Print, Toronto Ontario, group show
- 2005 Jim Kempner Fine Art, New York, USA, group show
- 2004 Lonsdale Gallery, *Circles*, Toronto, Canada, solo show
- 2004 Toronto International Art Fair, Toronto, Canada
- 2004 ICFF, New York, USA
- 2003 Toronto Interior Design Show
- 2002-7 Textile Museum of Canada, Toronto, Shadow Box Event, group show
- 2000 Holy Blossom Temple, Toronto, Canada, solo show
- 1996 Escolla Gallery, Design in Tel Aviv, Tel Aviv, Israel, group show
- 1994 OXFAM Traveling Exhibition, Art for a Fairer World, London, England, group show
- 1989 Marci Lipman Graphics, Toronto, Canada, solo show
- 1988 Multiple Impressions Gallery, New York, USA, group show
- 1986 Marci Lipman Graphics, Toronto, Canada, solo show
- 1984 First Impressions Gallery, Toronto, Canada, solo show

PRESS

- 2008 Canadian House and Home
- 2006 Selvedge, England, Issue 12
- 2006 Canadian Interiors
- 2006 Elle Decoration France
- 2005 Elle Interior Norway
- 2005 Canadian House and Home
- 2004 Style at Home
- 2004 New York Times, Contemporary gets a reality check, pg D6
- 2004 Elle Canada
- 2004 Canadian Interiors
- 2000 National Post, Avenue page

PUBLISHED AND BROADCAST WORK

- 2004 **Red Circles**, Published and distributed by Posters International
- 2003 **HGTV**, Interview with Sarah Richardson about the circle paintings
- 2001 **How Yellowknife got its Name**, Broadcast on Bravo!
- 1996 **Design Showcase**, Israel Television Channel 2, interview about career in art and design
- 1994 **Tel Aviv Sketches**, Catalogue of “Design in Tel Aviv” published by the Escolla Gallery, Tel Aviv

- 1992 **Graphis T-Shirt 1**, Graphis Press Corp., Zurich Switzerland., pg.195
1987 **Cacti**, published and distributed by McGraw & King
1986 **Paper Flowers**, published and distributed by McGraw & King
1985 **Night Palm**, poster published and distributed by McGraw & King

AWARDS AND GRANTS

- 2002 Heritage Ministry Canadian Studies Program research grant for animated film series Canadian Place Names project.
2001 BravoFact! Award, for animated short “How Yellowknife got its name”
2001 Lonsdale Gallery Sponsorship Award
2000 Historica, production grant for animated short film
1984 Artists’ Choice Award, Toronto Outdoor Art Exhibition
1984 Best Graphics, Toronto Outdoor Art Exhibition

CORPORATE COLLECTIONS

Baycrest Centre, Toronto, Canada
The Schneider Medical Centre of Israel, Petach Tikva, Israel
TransAmerica Group, Edmonton, Canada
The Iroquois Hotel, New York, USA
Paragon Capital Partners, New York, USA
Amie Weitzman Interior Design, New York, USA
Tartakover, Tel Aviv, Israel
Bayshore Capital, Toronto, Canada
Silver, Gold, Glatt & Grossman, Toronto, Canada