

# ARTIS

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FIONA GARLICK

b. 1968 – Coventry UK

Born in England, Fiona lived in Kenya and Zimbabwe before immigrating to New Zealand in 1976. Her first Degree was a BA in English Literature at Victoria University Wellington. After 15 years working in the television industry as a documentary director and producer she fell out of love for the medium and realized a long-time ambition to do a Fine Arts Degree.

Living in London at the time, she began with an Arts Foundation course at Camberwell College of Art before moving to Cornwall to study at Falmouth College of Arts. It was here that Fiona made her first bronze medal *The Wave*, which won first Prize for the British Art Medal Society Student Award in 2005. Fiona moved home to Auckland in 2006 and graduated from Elam School of Fine Arts with a BFA (Honours).

Now living in Arrowtown, Otago, Fiona is practicing full-time as a sculptor, predominantly in bronze. Her work is very much influenced by her environment – a response to the historical landscape of Central Otago and the wider tension between introduced and native species of flora and fauna in New Zealand.

Fiona has exhibited in many outdoor sculpture shows including *Sculpture in the Gardens* at the Auckland Botanic Gardens, *NZ Sculpture on Shore*, *Tai Tapu Sculpture Gardens*, *Sculpture on the Peninsula* in Christchurch and *Brick Bay Sculpture Trail*.

Fiona first exhibited at ARTIS in 2016 with the biennial exhibition by the New Zealand Medal Artists (MANZ). She has now been represented at ARTIS since 2017 – her first major exhibition (*Off Balance*) was held at ARTIS in 2023.

## ACADEMIC:

2006-2008: BFA (1<sup>st</sup> Class Honours) Elam School of Fine Arts, Auckland, New Zealand

2005: First year BFA Falmouth College of Arts, Cornwall, England

2004: Foundation Diploma, Camberwell College of Arts, London, UK

1986-1989: BA English Literature/Drama, Victoria University, Wellington, NZ

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## SELECTED EXHIBITIONS:

- 2025 AOTEAROA ART FAIR – ARTIS Gallery, Auckland, NZ
- 2024 AOTEAROA ART FAIR – ARTIS Gallery, Auckland, NZ
- 2023 *Off Balance*, ARTIS Gallery, Auckland, NZ

## OUTDOOR SCULPTURE SHOWS:

- AUCKLAND BOTANIC GARDENS – Sculpture in the Gardens, Auckland NZ
- TAI TAPU SCULPTURE GARDENS, Christchurch NZ
- SCULPTURE ON THE PENINSULA, Banks Peninsula, Christchurch, NZ
- BRICK BAY SCULPTURE TRAIL – Matakana, NZ

## AWARDS:

- 2005 First Prize – British Art Medal Society Student Award – bronze medal titled '*The Wave*'