

JIM WHEELER b. USA

ACADEMIC HISTORY:

1980-1979 Johnson Atelier Technical Institute of Sculpture, Princeton, New Jersey, USA

1975-1973 University of North Carolina at Greensboro

Bachelor of Arts in Studio Art (cum laude)

1973-1971 University of the South Sewanee, Tennessee, USA

WORK HISTORY:

1999 Three Foot Six, Lord of the Rings, Wellington: Supervisor, Rock/Foam Dept.

1995-1996 Manukau Institute of Technology, Lecturer in Sculpture at the School of Art &

Design

1981-1989 Art Works Studio Ltd, Auckland: Helped establish and run this Fine Art, bronze

casting foundry.

SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS:

2022 Following Nature, ARTIS Gallery Auckland

2015 Nature as Metaphor, ARTIS Gallery, Auckland

2010 *'Stalking Nature'* – ARTIS Gallery, Auckland

1997 The Presence of Trees, Ferner Galleries, Auckland

Sacred Sights - The Drawings Gallery, Auckland

1990 Pumphouse, Auckland

1986 Recent Bronzes, RKS Art, Auckland

1982 Landscapes, Monuments and Variations on a Torn Circle, RKS Art, Auckland

1981 Diametrical Bronzes, RKS Art, Auckland



COMMISSIONS:

2003 New Zealand Olympic Academy, Leonard A. Cuff Medal

2002 Arts Foundation of New Zealand, Governors' Award designer

2000- 2001 Kanuka Bonsai, private commission

2000 America's Cup 2000 NZ, Winner & Contender's Medal

1998, 97, 95, 94 PA Consulting Group. Annual Corporate gift

1997 Scott's College, Wellington, Information Technology Award

1996 Genesis: Courtyard bronzes of volcanic islands and lava flows, Hobson

Gardens, Auckland

1995 Battle for the Solomons, commemorative WWII medal, Ferner Galleries,

Auckland

1990 Craig Steele Trophy, Auckland Grammar School.

AWARDS/HONOURS:

1999 British Museum purchase of medallion, Balanced Change, for

the exhibition Size immaterial: hand-held sculptures of the 1990s.

1996: Research grant from Manukau Institute of Technology to

develop

alternative bronze casting process.

1992: QEII Arts Council Grant to build a bronze casting studio.