

NEIL DAWSON

1948 Born in Christchurch, New Zealand.

1970 Diploma of Fine Arts (Hons) University of Canterbury, Christchurch, NZ.

1971 Diploma of Teaching. Christchurch Teachers College. N.Z.

1972 Awarded Queen Elizabeth 2 Arts Council Grant.

1972 Attended Victorian College of the Arts, Melbourne, Australia.

1973 Gains Graduate Diploma in Sculpture.

1980 Awarded Queen Elizabeth 2 Arts Council Travel Grant.

1985 Awarded Queen Elizabeth 2 Arts Council Establishment Grant.

2003 Laureate Award. New Zealand Arts Foundation.

2004 Companion of the New Zealand Order of Merit.

2006 Antarctica New Zealand Arts Fellowship

INSTALLATIONS AND PUBLIC COMMISSIONS

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| 1979 | Seascape
Installation | Robert McDougall Art Gallery, ChCh, N.Z. |
| 1980 | Street Show: Street Grid
Airspace | Robert McDougall Art Gallery, ChCh, N.Z.
Wairarapa Arts Centre, Masterton, N.Z. |
| 1981 | Echo
Vanishing Points
Reflections. | Arts Centre, Christchurch, N.Z.
Auckland City Art Gallery, N.Z.
National Art Gallery, Wellington, N.Z. |
| 1984 | The Rock.
Paper, Scissors, Rock
5 Large Works
Lightwell | Bank of New Zealand Centre, Wellington, N.Z.
Robert McDougall Art Gallery, Christchurch, N.Z.
Graduate Centre Mall, City University of NY, USA
Private Commission, Wellington, N.Z. |
| 1986 | Going For Broke | Govett Brewster Art Gallery, New Plymouth, N.Z. |
| 1987 | Ripples
Plumbobs | Waikato Museum of Art and History, Hamilton, NZ
Private Commission, Christchurch, N.Z. |
| 1988 | Vanity 1

Vanity 2
Featherlight | The Australian Biennale, Art Gallery of N.S.W. Sydney,
Australia
Melbourne Concert Hall, Melbourne, Australia
Methodist Trust Building, Auckland, N.Z. |
| 1989 | Globe | Magiciens de la Terre: Musee National d'Art |

		Moderne, Paris, France.
	Framework	National Art Gallery, Wellington, N.Z.
	Get The Picture	Wellington Railway Station, N.Z.
1990	Macaw Feather	Private Commission, Wellington, N.Z.
	Leadlight	Private Commission, Wellington.
	Blue/Green	The Bath House, Rotorua, N.Z.
	Globe Down Under	Sargeant Gallery, Wanganui, N.Z.
	Featherlight	Aotea Centre Foyer, Auckland, N.Z.
1991	Orb	Private Commission, Taranaki, N.Z.
	Awakenings	Hastings Boys High School, N.Z.
	Jetset Globe	Jetset Tours Building, Melbourne, Australia.
	Spectra	Aotea Centre, Auckland, N.Z.
1992	Snap	Adelaide Festival Centre, Australia.
	Wave Screens	Private Commission, Auckland, N.Z.
	Throwback	Albert Park, Auckland, N.Z.
	Echo (re-installation)	Arts Centre, Christchurch, N.Z.
	Globe Installation	Gow Langsford Gallery, Auckland, N.Z.
	Vertigo	Gallery Kobayashi, Tokyo, Japan.
	Perception Room	Capital Discovery Place, Wellington, N.Z.
1993	Lens	Petrocorp Building, New Plymouth, N.Z.
	Untitled	High Court of New Zealand, Wellington, N.Z.
	Flying Chairs	Sculpture in the Gardens, Christchurch, N.Z.
	Canopy	Queensland Art Gallery, Brisbane, Australia.
1994	Steps	Museum of Contemporary Art, Sydney, N.Z.
	Nor'West Arch	Lincoln university, Lincoln, N.Z.
	Kahu	Takahanga Marae, Kaikoura, N.Z.
	Horizons	Private Commission, Kaukapakapa, N.Z.
	Different Skies	Osaka Business Park, Japan.
	Flying Chairs	Private Commission, Kaukapakapa, N.Z.
	Globe	National Gallery of Australia, Canberra.
1995	Down	Private Commission, Auckland, N.Z.
	Canoe	SkyCity Casino, Auckland, N.Z.
1996	Decoy Feathersphere	Private Commission, Te Horo, N.Z.
	Decoy Down	Private Commission, Te Horo, N.Z.
	Majestic Earth	Majestic Centre, Wellington, N.Z.
1997	Vanishing Stairs	Phileo Promenade, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.
	Leafsphere	Wisma Perkasa, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.
1998	Ferns	Wellington Civic Square, Wellington, N.Z.
	Expansion	Pyne Gould Corporation, Christchurch, N.Z.
	Plumage	Phileo Damansara, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

	Butterflies	Phileo Avenue, Kuala Lumpur, N.Z.
	Tranquility	Tsing Yi MTR Station, Hong Kong.
	Flora	Private Commission, Governors Bay, N.Z.
1999	Sphere, Cone, Cylinder	Designworks, Wellington, N.Z.
	Starferns	Apec conference, Auckland Town Hall, N.Z.
	Feathers	East Main Entry, Stadium Australia, Sydney.
	Ripples and Rays	Clear Communications, Takapuna, Auckland, N.Z.
2000	Skies	West Main Entry Artwork, Stadium Australia, N.Z.
2001	Flying Steps	Hunter Courtyard, Victoria University, Wgtn, N.Z.
	Cones	Dunedin Public Art Gallery, N.Z.
	Chalice	Cathedral Square, Christchurch, N.Z.
2002	Lapped Sphere	Christchurch Girls' High School, Christchurch, N.Z.
	Suntrap	Hastings District Council, Hastings, N.Z.
	Diamonds	National Gallery of Australia, Canberra.
	Other Peoples Houses	Private Commission, Waiheke Island, N.Z.
2003	Chevron	Kate Edger Commons, University of Auckland.
	Corro Dome	Private Commission. Sydney, Australia.
2004	Fanfare	Sydney Harbour Bridge. Australia.
2005	Bomber Command	Australian War Memorial. Canberra.
	H2O	Lincoln University. N.Z.
	Mahana Ceiling Dome	Woollaston Estate Winery, Motueka, N.Z.
	Raindrops.	Lumiere Building. Manchester,U.K.
2006	Anchor.	Victoria Point. Docklands. Melbourne. Australia.
	Wellsphere.	Gouldon Square.Rochdale Road. Manchester. UK
2009	Feather	Two Paddocks Winery, Central Otago, N.Z.
2010	Feather and Ripples	Christchurch City Council Building, N.Z.
	Sky Lens	Cashel Mall, Christchurch, N.Z.
	Cubes	St. Andrew's College, Christchurch, N.Z.
2012	Feather From Afar	International Finance Centre, Shanghai, China
2013	Blue Feather	Private Commission, Wellington, N.Z.
	Boats and Birds	ANZ Tower, Auckland CBD, N.Z.
2014	Spires	Latimer Square, Christchurch N.Z.
2015.	Fanfare.	Chaney's Corner, Christchurch, N.Z.
2016	Vortex	Tai Tapu Sculpture Garden, Christchurch, N.Z.

SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

1972	Untitled exhibition	Pinacotheca Gallery, Melbourne, Australia
1973	Graduate show	Pinacotheca Gallery, Melbourne, Australia
1975	3 Black Holes	CSA Gallery, Christchurch, N.Z.
1978	House Alterations	Brooke-Gifford Gallery, Christchurch, N.Z.
1979	Interiors	Elva Bett Gallery, Wellington, N.Z.
	Order/Chaos	Bosshard Gallery, Dunedin, N.Z.
1980	Recent Series	Denis Cohn Gallery, Auckland, N.Z.
	Here and There	NZ Chancellery, Washington DC, U.S.A.
1981	Here and There	Denis Cohn Gallery, Auckland, N.Z.
	Escapes	Peter McLeavey Gallery, Wellington, N.Z.
	Boundaries	Brooke-Gifford Gallery, Christchurch, N.Z.
1982	Holes	Robinson Brooker Gallery, ChCh, N.Z.
	Land Escapes	Denis Cohn Gallery, Auckland, N.Z.
1984	Sunset Constructions	Denis Cohn Gallery, Auckland, N.Z.
	Rock Constructions	Brooke-Gifford Gallery, Dunedin, N.Z.
1985	Mirrors	Bosshard Gallery, Dunedin, N.Z.
	New Wall Works	Denis Cohn Gallery, Auckland, N.Z.
1986	Untitled exhibition	Janne land Gallery, Wellington, N.Z.
	Overhead Hardware	Brooke Gifford Gallery, Christchurch, N.Z.
1987	Untitled exhibition	Sue Crockford Gallery, Auckland, N.Z.
	Site Related Work 1981-87	Centre For Contemporary Art, Hamilton
1988	Untitled exhibition	Sue Crockford Gallery, Auckland, N.Z.
	Untitled exhibition	Roslyn Oxley9 Gallery, Sydney, Australia.
1989	Site Works 1981-89	National Art Gallery, Wellington, N.Z.
1990	Untitled exhibition	Sue Crockford Gallery, Auckland, N.Z.
	Untitled exhibition	Jonathan Jensen Gallery, Christchurch, N.Z.
	Untitled exhibition	Luba Bilu Gallery, Melbourne, Australia.
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	Untitled exhibition	Jonathan Jensen Gallery, Christchurch, N.Z.
	Untitled exhibition	Infomuse Gallery, Tokyo, Japan.
1993	New Work	Jonathan Jensen Gallery, Christchurch, N.Z.
1994	Steps and Stages	Jonathan Jensen Gallery, Christchurch, N.Z.
2002	Domes	City Art, Christchurch, N.Z.
2003	New Wall Sculptures	Peter Webb Galleries, Auckland, N.Z.
	Wall Sculptures	Janne Land Gallery, Wellington, N.Z.
2004	Wall Sculpture 2004	Jonathan Smart Gallery, Christchurch, N.Z.

2005	Craters	Anna Bibby Gallery, Auckland, N.Z
	Recent Wall Sculptures	Milford Galleries. Dunedin. N.Z.
2006	Thoughts on Ice.	Janne Land Gallery. Wellington N.Z.
2007	Vanishing Points	Anna Bibby Gallery, Auckland, N.Z.
	Recent Work	Milford Galleries. Queenstown. N.Z.
	Recent Work	Jonathan Smart Gallery, Christchurch, N.Z.
2008	Old/New/Borrowed/Blue	Milford Galleries, Dunedin, N.Z.
	Selected Works	Milford Galleries, Queenstown, N.Z.
2009	Deck: First Cut	Jonathan Smart Gallery, Christchurch, N.Z.
2010	Five Years	Milford Galleries, Queenstown, N.Z.
	Deck: Second Hand	Milford Galleries, Dunedin, N.Z.
	Deck: Three of a Kind	Page Blackie Gallery, Wellington, N.Z.
2011	Pulse	Page Blackie Gallery, Wellington, N.Z.
	Incident 1992/2011	Jonathan Smart Gallery, Christchurch, N.Z.
2012	Orange Zone	Page Blackie Gallery, Wellington, N.Z.
2013	Silver Linings	Milford Galleries, Dunedin, N.Z.
2014	Spires	Page Blackie Gallery, Wellington, N.Z.
2016	2nd Look	Jonathan Smart Gallery, Christchurch, N.Z.
	Selected Works	Milford Galleries, Queenstown, N.Z.
2017	On Reflection	The Central Art Gallery, Christchurch, N.Z.
	Reflections	Milford Galleries, Dunedin, N.Z.
2018	New Works	Milford Galleries, Dunedin, N.Z.
2019	Clouds and Feathers	The Central Art Gallery, Christchurch, N.Z.
2020	Feathers	Milford Galleries, Dunedin, N.Z.
2021	Feathers 2021	Milford Galleries, Dunedin, N.Z.

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

1974	Environmental Structures	Christchurch Arts Festival, N.Z.
1978	Platforms	CSA Gallery, Christchurch, N.Z.
	Mildura Sculpture Triennial	Mildura Arts Centre, Mildura, Australia.
	Little Works	Auckland City Art Gallery, N.Z.
1980	4 New Zealand Sculptors	Sargeant Gallery, Wanganui, N.Z.
1985	Six New Zealand Artists	Perspecta '85, Mori Gallery, Sydney, Australia.
	Better than Collecting Dust	Manawatu Art Gallery, Palmerston North, N.Z.
	Chance and Change	Auckland City Art Gallery, N.Z.
1986	Aspects of Recent NZ Art	Auckland City Art Gallery, N.Z.
	Content /Context	National Art Gallery, Wellington, N.Z.
1988	NZ XI	Auckland City Art Gallery, N.Z.
	From the Southern Cross	Sydney Biennale, Art Gallery of NSW, Aust

1989	Magiciens de la Terre	Musee National d'Art Moderne, Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris, France.
1991	Review 1991	Luba Bilu Gallery, Melbourne, Australia.
1992	Festival Exhibition Prospect Canterbury	Gow Langsford Gallery, Wellington, N.Z. Robert McDougall Art Gallery, Christchurch, N.Z.
1993	Canopy	Asia Pacific Triennial of Contemporary Art, Queensland Art Gallery, Brisbane, Australia.
1994	Incident Virtual Reality	Art Now, Museum of New Zealand, Wellington. National Gallery of Australia, Canberra
1995	H2O	Dowse Art Gallery, Lower Hutt, N.Z.
2003	Sculpture on the Gulf	Waiheke Island, N.Z.
2004	Cutouts Project 04	Anna Bibby Gallery, Auckland, N.Z. Peter Webb Galleries, Auckland, N.Z.
2006	Tribute	Auckland City Art Gallery, Auckland. N.Z.
2009	Dawson / Petre / Arnold Optimism	Milford Galleries, Queenstown, N.Z. Jonathan Smart Gallery, Christchurch, N.Z.
2010	Winter Show fragments, figments & frogs	Milford Galleries, Queenstown, N.Z. Jonathan Smart Gallery, Christchurch, N.Z.
2011	Parallel	Milford Galleries, Dunedin, N.Z.
2012	Small Works	Milford Galleries, Queenstown, N.Z.
2013	Pi-r-squared 25 / 52	Jonathan Smart Gallery, Christchurch, N.Z. Jonathan Smart Gallery, Christchurch, N.Z.
2014	Spring Catalogue CHOICE	Milford Galleries, Queenstown, N.Z. Jonathan Smart Gallery, Christchurch, N.Z.
2016	Op + Pop Vibre	Christchurch Art Gallery Te Puna o Waiwhetū, N.Z. Jonathan Smart Gallery, Christchurch, N.Z.
2018	Glimpse Panorama: Landscape Aspects in Contemporary NZ Art Rock 'n' Roll	The Central Art Gallery, Christchurch, N.Z. Jonathan Smart Gallery, Christchurch, N.Z.
2019	Object Show Roundabout	The Central Gallery, Christchurch, N.Z. Jonathan Smart Gallery, Christchurch, N.Z.
2020	Sustaining the Local Group Show	The Central Art Gallery, Christchurch, N.Z. The Central Art Gallery, Christchurch, N.Z.
2021	The New Salon	Milford Galleries, Dunedin, N.Z.