ANN MARAIS

Ceramist | Educator | Curator

Born: Yangon, Myanmar, 1948 | Based in South Africa

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EDUCATION

BA Fine Art (Sculpture) – Rhodes University, South Africa, 1991

- Theory of Art (Cum Laude) Sculpture
- Multiple Academic Awards

Limuru Girls' School, Kenya – Cambridge "O" Levels (First Class Pass)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Fellow, Ceramics Southern Africa (CSA), 2010–present
- **Member**, Ceramics Southern Africa (since 1972)
- Member, South African National Association for the Visual Arts
- Member, Rust-en-Vrede Clay Museum

HONOURS & AWARDS (Selected)

- National Corobrik Premier Award (1983)
- Ceramicist of the Year, CSA Regional (1997)
- Multiple Highly Commended and Merit Awards (1978–2012)
- Rhodes University: Governors' Scholarship, Sculpture Prize, Academic Half Colours
- Dedicatee: by Dr.Ronnie Watt PhD thesis A Contextural History of South African Ceramics, 2021

COLLECTIONS (Selected)

- Corobrik National Ceramic Collection (1983, 1985, 2007)
- Musée de Céramique, Vallauris, France (1984)
- The Clay Museum, Durbanville, Cape Town (1984,1985,2012, 2017)
- William Humphreys Art Gallery (2003, 2011, 2016, 2018)
- Nando's Corporate Collection (2018)
- Instituto d'Arte Castelli, Italy(1990)

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- States of Being, Bellville Association of Arts (1999)
- Being Me, Being You, Being Human, Klein Karoo Arts Festival (2007)
- *Journey*, Art.b Gallery, Cape Town (2010)
- Earth Sense, IS Gallery, Franschhoek (2019)

INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITIONS

- Vallauris Biennale, France (1984)
- Instituto d'Arte Castelli, Italy (1990)
- Fletcher Challenge Award, New Zealand (1995)
- Omba Gallery, Namibia (2001)
- New Trends, Hong Kong (1994)

CURATORIAL & JURIED WORK

- Curator: *LIGHT*, Rust-en-Vrede Clay Museum (2014)
- Selector/Judge: APSA/CSA Exhibitions (1978–2015), Bellville Arts Association,
- External Moderator: Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University (2006)

TEACHING & WORKSHOPS (Selected)

- Presenter: CSA National Women's August Month Online Workshop (2020)
- Workshops held across South Africa, Namibia (1980–2024)
- Studio Instructor, Cape Town (1977–1979)
- Sculpture/Pottery for CSA, FynArts Festival, and NGOs

PUBLICATIONS & WRITING

- Over 50 articles for APSA/CSA publications (1999–2020)
- Finding a South African Voice, CeramicsNow.org (2025)
- Articles in Ceramic Art & Perception, Mrin Magazine, National Ceramics Quarterly
- Contributor: Clementina van der Walt A Ceramic Journey (2017)

MEDIA & BROADCASTS

- FMR Radio, TOP BILLING TV, KYKNET Kunskafee
- YouTube: Clay Chat Interview (2024), Fragmented Narratives (2020)

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- NGO teaching: Umzodongwe,
- Charity Contributions: Art for Cancer, Rust-en-Vrede Rescue Auction, Carinus Annual Auction.
- Hermanus Fyn Arts Trust Charity Annual Auction
- Food 4 Futures