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ART PROJECTS

MICHAEL DELL

Born:
1960 in Banks Peninsula, New Zealand

Lives:
Nelson, New Zealand

Education:
1994 BFA, University of Canterbury
School of Fine Arts, Christchurch,
New Zealand

Michael Dell's paintings and drawings shift between abstraction and representation. His works have been described as having an ambivalent everyday quality, equally unremarkable in lack of narrative and simplicity, as they are absorbing in stillness and otherness.

The single-image photograph has long been a source material for Dell and his paintings and drawings often mimic the analogue failures of film negatives and discarded film prints. His paintings, both abstract and landscapes, bear evident attention to the picture surface, creating a static tension between materiality, depth and subject.

Solo Exhibitions

2023	<i>Material Object</i> , Föenander Galleries, Auckland, New Zealand
2022	<i>Sunday Morning</i> , Föenander Galleries, Auckland, New Zealand
2021	<i>Late Frequency</i> , Viewfinder Installation, Nelson, New Zealand
2020	<i>Recent Work</i> , online viewing room, Ronewa Art Projects, Berlin, Germany
2020	<i>Even Now</i> , Föenander Galleries, Auckland, New Zealand
2020	<i>Endless Days</i> , The Suter Gallery, Nelson, New Zealand
2018	<i>Nature in My Mind</i> , NKB Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand
2018	<i>Before/Now</i> , G Space Gallery, Nelson Marlborough Institute of Technology, Nelson, New Zealand
2016	<i>Between Nature and Nothing</i> , NKB Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand
2008	<i>Surface Nature</i> , Centre of Contemporary Art, Christchurch, New Zealand
2005	<i>In Between</i> , McPherson Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand
2005	<i>Paintings & Works on Paper</i> , City Art Depot, Christchurch, New Zealand
2005	<i>In Between</i> , Peter Rae Gallery, Dunedin, New Zealand
2004	<i>Recent Work</i> , McPherson Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand
2002	<i>Recent Work</i> , Studio Works Gallery, Christchurch, New Zealand
1999	<i>Drawings</i> , Chartwell Gallery, Artspost, Hamilton, New Zealand
1998	<i>Drawings</i> , The Drawings Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand
1996	<i>Drawings From The Inside</i> , Centre of Contemporary Art, Christchurch, New Zealand
1995	<i>Arranging the Object</i> , Moray Gallery, Dunedin, New Zealand
1993	<i>Vignettes</i> , Solutions Gallery, Dunedin, New Zealand
1993	<i>Vignettes</i> , CSA Gallery, Christchurch, New Zealand
1992	<i>Excavation/Extraction</i> , W S A Gallery, Hamilton, New Zealand

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Selected Group Exhibitions

2023	<i>Night Work</i> , The Suter Gallery, Nelson, New Zealand
2022	<i>Place Holder</i> , The Suter Gallery, Nelson, New Zealand
2022	<i>Caught in the Briars</i> , Föenander Galleries, Auckland, New Zealand
2021	<i>Dell + Kube</i> , Duo exhibition, Föenander Galleries, Queenstown, New Zealand
2019	<i>Huu Haa</i> , JB Contemporary , Wellington, New Zealand
2019	Parkin Drawing Prize, NZ Academy of Fine Arts, Wellington, New Zealand
2019	<i>Sharks and Still Lives</i> , The Suter Art Museum, Nelson, New Zealand
2017	<i>3 Artists From The Parkin Prize</i> , The Suter Art Museum, Nelson, New Zealand
2017	Parkin Drawing Prize, NZ Academy of Fine Arts, Wellington, New Zealand
2016	<i>Worth</i> , Refinery Art Space, Nelson, New Zealand
2009	<i>WTF</i> , Paul Neache Gallery, Gisborne, New Zealand
2005	<i>Ape to Zip</i> , Christchurch City Gallery, Christchurch, New Zealand
2005	<i>Art Event</i> , Christchurch City Art Gallery, Christchurch, New Zealand
1997	CB Drawing Award, Robert McDougall Art Gallery, Christchurch, New Zealand
1996	<i>Drawing Out of Context</i> , Centre of Contemporary Art, Christchurch, New Zealand
1994	<i>Recent Acquisitions</i> , Robert McDougall Art Gallery, Christchurch, New Zealand
1993	Cranleigh Barton Drawing Award, Robert McDougall Art Gallery, Christchurch, New Zealand
1993	<i>Print and Paper</i> , Kurashiki Public Art Gallery, Kurashiki, Japan, New Zealand

Art Fairs

2023	Aotearoa Art Fair, Föenander Galleries, Auckland, New Zealand
2021	TENT, Aotearoa Art Fair, Föenander Galleries, Auckland, New Zealand
2021	Auckland Art Fair, Föenander Galleries, Auckland, New Zealand

Selected Awards

2019	Parkin Drawing Prize, First place, Wellington
2017	Parkin Drawing Prize, Merit, Wellington
1993	Cranleigh Barton National Drawing Award Christchurch 1993
1990	Gallagher Group National Art Award Hamilton 1990

Public and Selected Private Collections

Christchurch City Art Gallery Te Puna o Waiwhetū

Waikato Museum of Art and History Te Whare Taonga o Waikato

The University of Auckland Art Collection Waipapa Taumata Rau

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The Suter Gallery Te Aratoi o Whakatū

Te Pūkenya Whanganui

Parkin Drawing Collection

The Kelliher Arts Trust Collection

Ballin Art Collection

National Bank of New Zealand Art Collection

Tokyo Bank

The Arts House Trust

Publications

Sunday Morning - Michael Dell, Anchor Print, 2023

Endless Days - Michael Dell, The Suter Gallery, Anchor Print, 2020

The Collections, Christchurch Art City Gallery, Spectrum Print, 2003

Bulletin 129, The Drawing Collection, Robert McDougall Art Gallery, 2002

A Concise History of Art in Canterbury 1850 - 2000, Robert McDougall Art Gallery, Rainbow Print, 2000