

## PICA BIRT

Pica Birt was born in Roumanie in 1964. She now lives in Toronto.

Sensuousness defines Birt's paintings. Her artwork seems captured in time, in a moment of mysterious vibrancy. They emanate optimism and energy. Every surface is filled with colour and texture. Sharp edges and contrasting colours reveal landscapes and objects in dream-like scenery.

Birt obtained her Bachelors Degree in Architecture from the University of Toronto. Fascinated by space, she wanted to take time to study and understand the relationship between solid and void, light and shadow, and the importance of searching for a concept and the meaning of proportions, texture and colour.

Drawing and painting from nature, still life and life models were the subjects of interest during her studies at the Ontario College of Art, in Toronto, where she enrolled as an advanced student. That year she made the break from architecture and became an independent artist.

Birt's art explores the surface of a moment. There is a sense of oscillation between what is certain and uncertain, the transient impression of things that surround us.

## EDUCATION

1975 - 1980 Fine Arts Program Elementary and High school, Brasov, Romania  
1983 -1985 University of Architecture and Urban Planning, Ion Mincu, Bucuresti  
1987- 1992 University of Toronto, School Of Architecture Bachelor of Architecture  
1992- 1997 Ontario College of Art, Painting and Drawing Department

## EXHIBITIONS

2012	<i>Hydroponcs</i> , Teodora Art Gallery, Toronto, Ontario
2011	<i>Bloom</i> , Village Gallery, Mississauga, Ontario
2010	Agnes Jamieson Gallery, Minden, Ontario, Canada
2008	Galerie d'art Le Royer, Montréal, Canada
2004, 2005	Canadian Fine Arts, Toronto, Canada
2002, 2006	Galerie d'art Michel Bigue Saint Sauveur des Monts, Quebec, Canada
1998, 2000, 2003	Teodora Art Gallery Yorkville, Toronto, Canada
1994, 1996	Della Scala Fine Art, Toronto, Canada
1980	Maison de la culture, Brasov, Roumania

## MEDIAS

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Magazin'art, 15<sup>th</sup> year, no.1, fall 2002, p.81 and p.131

## COLLECTIONS

Bombardier, Montreal  
Arte Contemporane, Montreal  
Hart House Gallery, University of Toronto

**PICA BIRT (cont'd)**

Varley Art Gallery, Markham, ON  
National Museum of Fine Arts of Brasov, Romania  
Interis, Ottawa  
Caisse Populaire, Pierre-de-Sorel, Quebec  
Caisse Populaire Desjardins, Sherbrooke

Her works are part of many private collections throughout Europe, the United States and Canada.