**Resume**

**Irena Kennedy**

**Education**

2010- 2015 **Masters in Fine Art** Monash university Melbourne, Australia

2002- 2006 **Bachelor of Fine Arts** Dunedin Polytechnic school of art. Dunedin

 New Zealand/ Aotearoa

1998 **Certificate in craft and design** Central institute of technology, Wellington New

 Zealand/ Aotearoa

**Recent Employment**

Nov 20- Dec 2020 **Personal Artist** **Assistant for the glass artist Ann Robinson**

 job included: Wax sculpting, mould making, studio maintenance, photography and

Oct 19- july 2020 **Pablos Art studio**  Casual tutor

June- Sep 19  **Stone Street Studios** Props paint

Dec 18- Feb 19 **Weta Workshop -** costume department and paint department

Apr – Aug 2018 **Weta Workshop –** costume department

2018 **Newtown Festival** A continuation of the Cuba Dupa festival work, including an

 Upcycling recycling sculpture workshop.

2018 **Propella Studios, Theatre flats** Stretching flats

2018 **Weta Workshop** mixed creations –textiles, sculpture.

2018 **Dinosaur Sculpture Parnell Primary School Auckland** Design, lecture series

 and workshop with children design and components ceramics ( based on a

 childrens drawing, workshop series based around film construction). Construction

 metal fabrication and sculpting. Instillation

2017 **Mortal Engines** Set Deck, Soft Fabrics and Props – 3 months

2017 **Mighty Morphin Power Rangers, Art Department.** Casual: Props, Set Deck

 and Painting

2017 **Cuba Dupa Recycled Art Project-**  Facilitating the project, designing and

 instigating educational cources around environment and recycling, tutoring

 Sculpting in recycled materials. Approaching schools in the Wellington region,

 runing workshops for participating schools and community groups : Adventure

 School, South Wellington Intermediate, Queen Margarest, Lyal Bay School and

 Worser bay school. Running community workshops at: Newtown community

 centre, Ao Valley Community centre and Pataka Art gallery. Also Alfa Studios,

 The Learning connection and Vincents art shop. Prep and instillation, de – install

 at Cuba Dupa.

2015 **Artist assistant for the glass artist Ruth Allen** Job includes assisiting in hot shop ,

 Melbourne, Australia

2011 – 2014 **Personal Artist** **Assistant for the glass artist Ann Robinson**

 job included: Wax sculpting, mould making, studio maintenance, photography and

 personal assistant office roles. Auckland New Zealand/ Aotearoa

2014 **Artist assistant contract for John Radford** Auckland, New Zealand

2014 **Artist assistant contract Sean kuryn-** Grey lynn festival and Auckland art

 gallery. Work included sculpting and deconstruction. Auckland, New Zealand/

 Aotearoa

2010 **Artist Assistant** for the glass artists Galia Amsel. Job included: Mould making,

 Studio maintenance and photographic assistance. Auckland New Zealand/ Aotearoa

**Art Tutoring/ Tutoring**

Feb 2020 **Lecturing Rudolf Steiner Raphael House** Teaching political art to Teenagers

Sep – Oct 19 **Lecturing Rudolf Steiner Raphael House** Teaching political art to Teenagers

Jan 2018- present **Pedal ready cycling instructer** Wellington

Sep- Oct 2018 **Lecturing Rudolf Steiner Raphael House** Teaching political art to Teenagers

2018 **Art tutoring Puppet making workshop** Wellington New Zealand

2016 **Art tutoring** private art tutor /ceramics, Peru

2016 **Art lecturing/ tutoring as part of Traidhos Artist Residency** Chiang Mai, Thailand

2016 **Lecturing** cast glass at the Learning connextion art acadamy,

 Wellington, New Zealand

2015 **Private tutoring of art** for 13 children. Melbourne, Australia

2015 **Private tutoring of art,** for a boy with special needs. Hua Hin, Thailand

2015 **Tutoring, school holiday Programmes** Puppet making**,**

 Self written courses at Corbans Estate, Auckland, New Zealand/ Aotearoa

2014 **School holiday tutor at Art Encounters Melbourne - Lead tutor and assistant**

 **tutor,** designing and teachimg programmes around art encounters curriculum

2010 – 2014 **Tutor Fine young artists.** Private Tuition of fine art programmes, painting and

 drawing skills in two schools

2014 **Private class Puppet Making for children.** 8 week course, Auckland, New

 Zealand/ Aotearoa

Dec 2012 **Tutor at Seedlings –** Puppet making and diorama course ( self written)

2013 4 terms **Tutoring, school holiday Programmes** Puppet making**,** and Diaramas.

 Self written courses at Corbans Estate, Auckland, New Zealand/ Aotearoa

2013 **School holiday programme** at Art Station, Auckland, New Zealand/ Aotearoa

2013- 2014 **Private tutoring of art,** for two girls with Autism. Auckland, New Zealand /Aotearoa

**Awards and Grants**

Asia New Zealand contestable Art Grant 2016.

Waitakari Sculpture and Painting award 2013, Second place Sculpture, Judged By Rob Garrett

Con Hutton Memorial scholarship 2006