



# Heather Shillinglaw, Metis Artist

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## **Education:**

**1996** Alberta College of Art and Design; graduated from the drawing program BFA

## **Awards:**

**1993 – 1996** Scholarships Liquidex; Binney and Smith, Canadian Native Arts Foundation, Shell, Esso  
**1995** Peace Hills Trust 2<sup>nd</sup> prize

## **Solo Exhibitions**

**2018** *Whiskey Scrip* Latitude 53 Edmonton Alberta  
**2017** *Buffalo Corral* Multicultural Heritage Centre, Stony Plain, Alberta  
**2016** *Kokum's Quilt, Whispers in the forest..., Open Doors* Art Gallery of Grande Prairie  
**2012** *Buffalo Girl* - Saskatchewan Indian Tribal Council Chief Selection – Saskatoon, Saskatchewan  
**2009** Canadian Embassy Buenos Aires, Argentina  
**2009** Canadian Studies Association, Mendoza, Argentina  
**2009** Curando con la Madre Naturaleza Brazilian Embassy– Paraguay, Asunción  
**2009** *Heather Shillinglaw works* Centro Cultural de la Ciudad Manzana de la Rivera, Paraguay, Asuncion  
**2000** *Blooming'* – Latitude 53 Gallery, Edmonton, Alberta  
**1997** *Heather Shillinglaw* -- The Little Church Gallery, Spruce Grove, Alberta 1997  
**1992-93** *Métis Women: A progression through time...* -- The Works Festival, Edmonton, AB,

## **Selected Group Exhibitions**

**2016** *Enviromental Art* -Budapest, Hungary, Petofi Irodalmi Museum, & New Budapest Gallery  
**2015 – 2019** *Dreaming with my 'Great Mother' 'Dirine ne' 'Nikawinaw Askiy'*, Trex Traveling Exhibit Art Gallery of Alberta  
**2015-11** *Narrative Quest* – Royal Alberta Museum Edmonton, The Museum of Contemporary Art Calgary  
**2012** Kehrig Fine Art Gallery, Pop-up Gallery Edmonton Alberta  
**2011** *Shifting Patterns* McMullen Gallery, St Albert & U of A Hospital Edmonton  
**2010** *Shifting Patterns* Profiles Gallery St. Albert,  
**2010** *Art Days Alberta* Foundation of the Arts Gallery  
**2006-09** *Ancestral Grounds* - Art Gallery of Alberta, Traveling Exhibition Trex Alberta  
**2002-04** *AFA Collects: Works by First Nations Artists* - Art Gallery of Alberta, Exhibition Trex Alberta  
**1999** *Artopia* – To save the Phillips Building, Edmonton, Alberta  
**1994** *Hear the Heartsong of our Families* – Triangle Gallery, Calgary, Alberta  
**1993** *Fem Spin* -- Glenbow Foyer, Calgary, Alberta

## **Curative**

**2011 – 14** *Our Wilderness is Wisdom..* Trex Traveling Art Exhibition opening Alberta Gallery of Art  
**1994** *Faces of Family Pride* -- Dreamspeakers Festival & The Works Festival Edmonton, Alberta  
**1993** *Honor Louis Riel: Metis Regional Council* -- City Hall, Calgary, Alberta

**Conferences Speaking Engagements** : 2009 H “indigenous nations” and exhibition in Buenos Aries and Mendoza Argentina, Conference Canadian Studies Association on Globalization and Gender and Human Rights. In fall 2009 in First Congress of the Americas within the framework of: Education, Human rights and Environment

in Ascension Paraguay. During this time she worked with schools in arts focused schools Coligio de Sol in Ascension, Paraguay and surrounding district with the first indigenous school program with Unicef, grades K-7.

**Gallery Representation:** *Bear Claw Gallery, St Albert Art Gallery, Kehrig Fine Art, Rowles and Company*

### **Public Art Pieces and Conferences:**

**2015 September** - permanent art Cree Teachings Trail 'Sky Spirit Courage of Mother Bear' Woodland Regional Council City of Fort McMurray.

**2015 June** - 'Vitalize Interactive Artist' Alberta Culture.

**2014-2015** - 'Sweet Grass Sway' Collage Drive City of Saskatoon. Temporary Exterior Public Art

**2008 November** - Agriculture and Trade Show Collaboration Project: Corporate Commission and Painting demonstration for Public Affair and Syngenta: painting 4 x 8 ft. canvas, Red Deer, Alberta.

### **International Residencies**

**1994 Spring** *Doors* Banff Center for the Arts, Minquon Panchat touring exhibition

**1999** Global Arts and Culture Symposium University of Alberta,

**1999 June** *Body Image* Leesa Striefler Edmonton Latitude 53

### **Arts Instructor**

**1999- Present** Artist in Residence: elementary, junior high and high schools Edmonton Public, Ochinamous School, Saddle Lake Reserve, Fort McMurray, Hythe Regional School,

**2003** *Inner City Housing Wall Mural Project*, Summer 2003

**1999 - 2004** *Art Enrichment Program*, Harcourt Arts Center community initiatives program

### **Workshops**

November 2015 CARFAC Visual Arts Alberta 'what is public art and how can I make it?'

### **Reviews**

"Three new exhibits open at AGGP" By Jocelyn Turner, Daily Herald-Tribune Thursday, November 19, 2015

"Placemaker public artworks chosen" Saskatoon Star Phoenix by Betty Ann Adam, June 21 2014

"Local artist admires potential in youth" Alberta Sweetgrass By Heather Andrews Miller, Feb 2013

"Budding artist blossom under program" St Paul Journal tues Nov 27 2012-12-14

"Survey of Contemporary native art bote powerful and beautiful" Edmonton Journal Janice Ryan Feb 9 2012

"Aboriginal art Highlight" Windspeaker/ Alberta Sweetgrass volume 17 issue 7 2010

"Las Plantas Medicinales se ponen al servicio del arte" La Nation, Sabado 19 Setiembre Del 2009

"Quiero recuperar el valor del pasado" Digital abc Domingo 27 de Setiembre de 2009

"Seed as Art" CTV news, November 7<sup>th</sup> 2008

"Bloomin' Big Breakfast Show" A-Channel, January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2001

"Bloomin' news at 5" A-Channel, December 7, 2000, CKUA Radio" December 26<sup>th</sup>, 2000, CBC Radio One" telephone interview, December, 2000

"work at Little Church Gallery" Spruce Grove Gazette, July, 1997

"Puts forth a good face" Windspeaker July, 1994, Charles Mandel

### **Personal Bibliography Published**

Dr. Troy Patenaude writing of my current bodies of work form and biography 2000 - 2015

"In Vast of Dreaming" Native Women in the Arts Premiere Issue, 1995 Beth Brant

### **Publications**

❖ "Honoring Indigenous Women" Hearts of Nations - Vol. 2 2012

- ❖ “Contemporary Aboriginal Art” Athabasca University Press co 2012; Troy Patenaude
  - Title book: Contemporary Canadian Aboriginal Art: Storyworking in the Public Sphere
- ❖ ‘Aboriginal Peoples in Canada’ Pearson Canada Inc. Chaper 14 Community Issues Figure 14-14 Medicine Bag 2011
- ❖ “Organism Switches” Artichoke Magazine on site specific, centerfold, April 1995

### **Works in Collection**

City of Saskatoon Public art collection

Canadian Embassy, Buenos Aries, Argentina

Alberta Foundation for the Arts

Peace Hills Trust, Calgary, Alberta

Syngenta Corporation, Calgary, Alberta

St. Albert City Council, St. Albert, Alberta

Canadian Native Arts Foundation, Toronto, Ontario

**Memberships** : Aboriginal Curatorial Collective, Art Gallery of Art, Metis Nation of Alberta  
 Harcourt House Arts Centre, Aboriginal Edmonton Association, Visual Arts Alberta/CARFAC  
 Native Artists of Canada, Canadian Native Womens Association, International Association of Artists

### **Heather Shillinglaw publications and artwork reviews:**

[https://issuu.com/albertanativenews/docs/ann\\_02\\_2017](https://issuu.com/albertanativenews/docs/ann_02_2017)

[http://albertametis.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/08/Otipemisiwak\\_JB\\_Final\\_Compressed.pdf](http://albertametis.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/08/Otipemisiwak_JB_Final_Compressed.pdf)

<https://books.google.ca/books?id=6bdw1VFSQuoC&pg=PA330&lpg=PA330&dq=heather+shillinglaw+artwork&source=bl&ots=mbxhT5hNaQ&sig=foK5SRYHJ7b7DFLP46herjtQVIY&hl=en&sa=X&ved=0ahUKEwi17KunyeDZAhVG5IMKHW1NDwQ4ChDoAQgtMAE#v=onepage&q=heather%20shillinglaw%20artwork&f=false>

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<http://www.dailyheraldtribune.com/2015/12/02/exhibit-examines-environmental-issues>

<http://www.spjournal.com/article/Ashmont-celebrates-Education-Week-with-art-and-song-20160517>

<https://www.lacombeexpress.com/entertainment/art-exhibit-at-lmc-showcases-three-first-nations-artists/>