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## REBECCA OTT

### BIOGRAPHY

Rebecca Ott was born in 1971 in Toronto, Canada. She studied both architecture and computer graphics before pursuing a career in fine art.

Working in traditional media such as oil painting and etching, she also explores how technology shapes our images and our sense of place.

Her subject matter is drawn from both the complexity and silent expansiveness of the landscape, and she finds inspiration in nature and the urban environment.

Rebecca lives and works in Toronto, Canada.

### ARTIST STATEMENT

I aim to explore the sculptural forms, patterning, and scale of the environment through my artistic practice which includes painting, drawing and printmaking. In my observation of light, shadow and scale, I attempt to capture the quiet monumentality of my surroundings in relationship to the natural world.

In 2018, I started a discipline of creating one collage a day and documenting/archiving these works on my @reb.ott INSTAGRAM account. Here I experiment with the intuitive creation of form, colour relationships and mark-making trying to capture a feeling about the landscape, rather than a realistic representation.

Starting in 2022, I experimented with the new artificial intelligence of the Generative Adversarial Network. Using my original hand-made paper collages as an image set, I trained a GAN to generate collage images that I could share on social media along with my hand-made collages.

### SELECTED EXHIBITIONS

2017 Toronto Revealed  
TD Gallery at Toronto Reference Library, Toronto, ON  
2014 Rebecca Ott: Paintings | Prints  
The Open Gallery, 454 Kingston Road, Toronto ON  
2013 The Queen West Art Crawl  
Trinity Bellwoods Park, Toronto ON  
2009 - 2011 The Artist Project,  
Queen Elizabeth Building, CNE, Toronto ON  
2008 - 2012 Toronto Outdoor Art Exhibition  
City Hall, Toronto ON  
2009 The Art Gallery of Hamilton Art Sale  
AGH, Hamilton ON  
2008 The Artist Project  
Liberty Grand, CNE, Toronto, ON

### EDUCATION

1999 - 2000 Sheridan College | Post-Graduate Computer Animation  
1990 - 1996 University Of Waterloo | BES, Bachelor of Architecture

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### MEDIA AND PUBLICATIONS

- 2016 Artist Finds Beauty ..... | thestar.com
- 2011 'Reinventing the Lay of the Landscape' | National Post, March 4
- 2011 The Artist Project 2011 | dilettantesdiary.com
- 2009 2009 Toronto Outdoor Art Exhibition | dilettantesdiary.com
- 2009 2009 Highlights of The Artist Project | blogto.com
- 2009 The Artist Project 2009 | dilettantesdiary.com
- 2008 2008 Toronto Outdoor Art Exhibition | dilettantesdiary.com
- 2008 2008 Toronto Outdoor Art Exhibition | paintblog.ca

### PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

- City of Toronto
- Toronto Reference Library