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Biography for: David Thauberger

DAVID THAUBERGER

David Thauberger, Canadian, was born in 1948 in Holdfast, Saskatchewan. He studied at the University of Saskatchewan (BFA 1971), California State University (MA 1972), and at the University of Montana (MFA 1973). All three degrees were in ceramics. Although he continued to work in clay, Thauberger began to teach himself to paint. He was strongly influenced by California Funk Art and Chicago Imagism, which he was introduced to through Regina sculpture David Gilhoolly. But it was eventually the work of Saskatchewan folk artists that helped him find his voice as an artist. In 1976 he organized Grassroots Saskatchewan, the first major exhibition of Saskatchewan folk art, and worked for the Saskatchewan Arts Board as a consultant for many years. He has lived in Regina since 1973.

He has received many awards, his art is the frequent subject of essays in prominent Canadian publications, and he has completed many major corporate commissions. An artist of national stature, his work has been shown extensively throughout Canada, in the United States and Britain. Thauberger was made a member of the Canada Council for the Arts on February 26 2002; his term was renewed for an additional three years effective February 26 2005.

Education

1973 (MFA) University of Montana

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