

Ralph Borland

Ralph Borland was born in South Africa in 1974. He is an artist, academic and technologist whose work often concerns itself with social and political activism. He is currently pursuing his PhD in Dublin, Ireland.

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Education

Disruptive Design Team
Department of Electronic and Electrical Engineering
Trinity College Dublin
Doctor of Philosophy (in progress)
Commenced 2006

Michaelis School of Fine Art
University of Cape Town
Honours Degree in Fine Art
1994 - 1997

Interactive Telecommunications Program
New York University
Master of Professional Studies
1999 – 2002

Recognition

Art

Selected exhibitions and competitions

Play Safe, Project Arts Centre, Dublin, 2007

Nextwave, Melbourne, Australia, 2006

'SAFE: Design takes on Risk', NY MoMA, 2005

ISEA2004 - Wearable Experience, Baltic Sea, 2004

V Salon de Arte Digitale, Cuba, 2003

Siggraph, USA, 2002

Public sculpture commission

Jetty Square, Cape Town, South Africa, 2005

Collections

The New York Museum of Modern Art

Academic

Oppenheimer Memorial Trust Overseas Study Grant 2006 - 2007

National Research Foundation Doctoral Scholarship 2006 – 2009

Graduate Assistanceship, New York University 2000 – 2002

Low Wasserman Scholarship, New York University 1999 – 2000

Paulette Goddard Scholarship, New York University 1999 – 2000

Student Council Chairperson, University of Cape Town 1995 & 1996

Student Parliament Representative, University of Cape Town 1996

University of Cape Town, Entrance Merit Scholarship 1994 – 1996

Irma Stern Scholarship 1994

Exhibition history:

2007

Play Safe
Project Arts Centre, Dublin, Ireland
<http://www.project.ie/>
Group show

Amour d'Armour
Washington Center Gallery, USA
www.lafayette.edu/williamsgallery
Group show

Sirens
East66, Amsterdam
www.east66.org
Group show

2006

Song of Solomon
Durban Art Gallery, Durban, South Africa
ralphborland.net/sos
Collaborative audio installation

Promised land
blank projects, Cape Town, South Africa
ralphborland.net/promisedland
Solo exhibition

Next Wave Festival
Melbourne, Australia
www.nextwave.org.au
Part of the Cultural Program of the
Commonwealth Games 2006

2005

Jetty Square
Cape Town, South Africa
ralphborland.net/jettysquare
Public sculpture commission

'Safe: Design takes on Risk'
New York Museum of Modern Art, USA
www.moma.org
Design exhibition

Klein Karoo National Art Festival
South Africa
www.kknk.co.za
Art exhibition

Htmlles07, Montreal

www.htmlles.net
Electronic art festival

2004

Brett Kebble Art Awards 2004
South Africa
www.bkaa.co.za
Art competition/exhibition

Gallery Neurotitan
Berlin, Germany
www.neurotitan.de
Interactive art exhibition

ISEA2004 - Wearable Experience
Baltic Sea
www.isea2004.net
Symposium

2003

V Salon de Arte Digitale,
Havana, Cuba
www.artedigitalcuba.cult.cu
Conference and art exhibition

2003 Q-ville Artist Collective Launch,
New York, USA
www.qville.org
Art exhibition

2002

SIGGRAPH Art Gallery
San Antonio, USA
www.siggraph.org
Conference and exhibition

[Beyond the Gallery](#), Public Eye
Cape Town, South Africa
Conference

2001

OpenMouse, Rhizome
New York, USA
www.rhizome.org
Multimedia performance event

Digital DUMBO, Mastel+Mastel Gallery
Brooklyn, USA
www.digitaldumbo.com/home.html
Art exhibition