## **ARABELLA CACCIA**

Arabella was born in London and grew up in Tuscany before moving to Johannesburg where she spent her teenage years. She then went to Edinburgh University after which she lived and studied in Florence, London and New York. She returned to South Africa in 1990 and now lives and works in Cape Town.

Arabella draws inspiration from the people, places and objects she loves. From the light where she lives and the wilderness where she goes to find peace and silence. The feeling of quiet and perhaps stillness in the work reflects the ambience she creates around her, in order to find inspiration and access her creativity.

Each work is simply a point on a journey – a journey which is an attempt at, a quest in search of truth. A goal which is both mysterious and highly illusive. "It is a quest that will preoccupy me for the rest of my life." – Arabella Caccia

Arabella Caccia's recent work is inspired by an exploration of patterns found in the play of light and dark on natural forms. Her paintings and sculptures use an abstract language of semi-symbolic glyphs discovered in these patterns. The primary principal underpinning her work is the belief in the importance of process.

"I firmly believe that the energy and focus put into making a work, a deep meditative concentration, produces work of honesty and integrity, with a powerful energy. It is the process which is of utmost importance." – Arabella Caccia

## **EDUCATION:**

1983	University of Witwatersrand
1984-88	Edinburgh University
1988-89	Parsons School of Design, New York, USA

## **SELECTED EXHIBITIONS:**

2018	Without Words, Everard Read, Franschhoek
2017	<i>20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary,</i> Knysna Fine Art
2017	Cubicle, Everard Read CIRCA, Cape Town
2015	The Gallery at Grande Provence, Franschhoek
2012	Solo exhibition, Johannesburg
2010	View from the South, group show, Everard Read, Cape Town
2010	Sight, Everard Read, Cape Town
2006	Reverie, Everard Read, Cape Town
2003	Judith Wall and Sara Pearce Fine Art New York
2002	Spark Gallery Johannesburg
2000	Sara Pearce Fine Art London UK
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1998	Hamilton Russell Vineyards South Africa
1995	Karen McKerron Fine Art Gallery, Johannesburg
1994	Karen McKerron Fine Art Gallery, Johannesburg
1993	Chelsea Gallery Cape Town
1991	Mall Galleries London



## **AWARDS**:

1995 Vita Art Now, Johannesburg Art Gallery South Africa – selected artist.