## **Ezrom LEGAE**

Gallery 101 Johannesburg / Gallery 21, Johannesburg



Ezrom Legae in 1970, with Lorraine, his wife
(img. Chuck d'Acquisto, Journal-Times, Racine Wisconsin, USA - October, 1970)

Ezrom Legae never had a solo show at Gallery 101 or Gallery 21, Johannesburg; he only participated in a few group shows over time, including the following:

1971 Gallery 101, Rand Central, Johannesburg (Group 51: Second Winter Art Exhibition) (21<sup>st</sup> June) (cat.6 – bronze "Standing figure")

1971 Gallery 101, Hyde Park, Johannesburg ("Gallery 101's Contribution to the Johannesburg Art Gallery Festival Exhibition") ("Standing figure III." - bronze) cat.23/9518 (20<sup>th</sup> Nov to 11<sup>th</sup> Dec.)

1972 Gallery 101, Hollard Street, Johannesburg (Second Exhibition of Transvaal Sculptors) (17<sup>th</sup> Feb.)
(listed on invitation card, not catalogue)

1972 Gallery 101, Hyde Park, Johannesburg (25 African Artists) (12<sup>th</sup> April) (2 drawings)

1979 Gallery 21 Fox Street Branch, Johannesburg ("Winter '79") (33 artists) (1st June)

1982 Gallery 21 Fox Street Branch, Johannesburg ("Accrochage I+II") (July/August) / (Selection '82) (15<sup>th</sup> October)

His works were included in additional group shows during 1983, 1986, 1987, 1991 – see http://www.pelmama.org/Johannesburg artscene Gallery21 JHB 1977-1993.htm

## Building up a collection

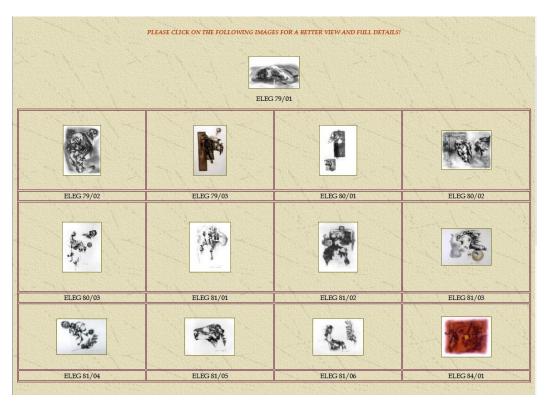
During the late 1970s to 1980s, Ezrom Legae – then in the Goodman Gallery stable - sold directly over time to Gallery 21 a number of his fine drawings which were assembled on behalf of the PELMAMA Permanent Art Collection administered by The Haenggi Foundation Inc., Johannesburg.

Gallery 21 also acquired some bronzes of his in settlement of monies advanced to him over time, including these 3 unique casts now in the private collection of Jack Ginsberg in Johannesburg:



Illustrated in "Polly Street – The Story of An Art Centre" (Miles) (Ampersand Foundation) p9
ISBN 0-62032616-6

In 1990, the University of Fort Hare successfully bid for 14 drawings which now form part of their public collection – 13 of these are illustrated on <a href="http://www.pelmama.org/LEGAE">http://www.pelmama.org/LEGAE</a> drawings.htm



One cast of the "Head" was also acquired for the PELMAMA Permanent Art Collection. The Haenggi Foundation Inc. acquired the right to the following additional bronze casts of this "Head" - A/P I/I and ed. 5/5 (tripartite agreement of 13<sup>th</sup> February, 1985 between Goodman Gallery, Ezrom Legae and Gallery 21). However it never had the intention to have them cast.

This cast was disposed of in view of the uncertainties as mentioned on <a href="http://www.pelmama.org/LEGAE">http://www.pelmama.org/LEGAE</a> sculpture.htm

A drawing from the "Bird/Wing" series, 1980, was acquired by the gallery's director and donated to the Oliewenhuis Art Museum, Bloemfontein in May, 2009 - see

http://www.za-ch-art-kunst.ch/ARTLinks/PrivateCollection/LEGAE Ezrom.htm

Ezrom Legae left his personal scrapbook including press cuttings, photos and correspondence relating to his 3-month trip in 1970 to the USA (17<sup>th</sup> September to 15<sup>th</sup> December) under the US-SA Leader Exchange Program, for safekeeping with Gallery 21 – this is now in the archives of The Haenggi Foundation Inc. donated to the Basler Afrika Bibliographien BAB, Basel – ref. PA.156 1 L.002

http://www.art-archives-southafrica.ch/THF\_ARCHIVE.htm

## Links

https://www.kumalo-legae.org/ezrom-legae

## Return to

https://art-archives-southafrica.com/selected-artists-from-south-africa

Uploaded 2<sup>nd</sup> October, 2020