

# LUIS DE JESUS LOS ANGELES

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## JIM ADAMS

Born 1943, Philadelphia, PA  
Lives and works in White Rock, British Columbia, Canada

## EDUCATION

1965 Bachelor's Degree in Fine Arts, Temple University, Philadelphia, PA  
1968 Master of Fine Arts, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

## SELECTED SOLO / TWO-PERSON EXHIBITIONS

2025 *Flight of Mirrors*, Luis De Jesus Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA  
2021 *Eternal Witness*, Luis De Jesus Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA  
2017 *The Irretrievable Moment*, The Surrey Art Gallery, Surrey, BC, CA  
*The Irretrievable Moment*, The Reach Art Gallery, Abbotsford, BC, CA  
2014 *Mythic Sketches*, Newton Cultural Centre, Surrey, BC, CA  
2010 *Mt. Olympus Redux, Myths Revisited*, ACT Gallery, Maple Ridge, BC, CA  
*Myths and Reality*, Amelia Douglas Gallery, New Westminster, BC, CA  
2007 *Statements and Studies: Jim Adams Paintings*, Community Arts Council of White Rock and District Gallery, White Rock, BC, CA  
2000 *Jim Adams: In Advance of the Millennium*, The Surrey Art Gallery, Surrey, BC, CA  
1998 *Forms of Conflict*, Amelia Douglas Gallery, Douglas College, New Westminster, BC, CA  
1994 *CHANGES: Recent Work of Jim Adams*, Community Arts Council of White Rock and District Gallery, White Rock, BC, CA  
1991 *Selected Works by Jim Adams*, Genesis Gallery, White Rock, BC, CA  
1986 *The Art of Jim Adams and Kay Bonathan*, Station Gallery, White Rock, BC, CA  
1983 *Paintings by Jim Adams* The Surrey Art Gallery, Surrey, BC, CA  
1982 *Jim Adams / Bill Mc Murray*, Richmond Art Centre, Richmond, BC, CA  
1978 *Recent Paintings by Jim Adams*, Presentation House Gallery, North Vancouver, BC, CA  
1976 *The Plane Part: Paintings by James Lowell Adams*, Richmond Art Centre, Richmond, BC, CA  
1975 *An Exhibition of Works by James Lowell Adams*, The Marvin K. Peterson Library, University of Connecticut, West Haven, CT  
1975 *Adams/Artwork*, The Berkeley Centre, Berkeley College, Yale University, New Haven, CT  
1974 *James Lowell Adams*, Richmond Art Centre, Richmond, BC, CA

## SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2021 *Vancouver Special: Disorientations and Echo*, Vancouver Art Gallery, British Columbia, CA  
2020 UNTITLED, Art Online, presented by Luis De Jesus Los Angeles (digital art fair)  
2019 *I've got a good mind to give up living and go shopping instead*, Luis De Jesus Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA  
EXPO Chicago, presented by Luis De Jesus Los Angeles, Navy Pier, Chicago, IL

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- 2018 UNTITLED Miami, presented by Luis De Jesus Los Angeles, Miami, FL  
Art Toronto, presented by Luis De Jesus Los Angeles, Toronto, ON, CA
- 2015 *Re:Mix, The Surrey Art Gallery*, Surrey, BC, CA  
*Views from the Southbank*, The Surrey Art Gallery, Surrey, BC, CA
- 2009 Community Arts Council of White Rock and District Gallery, White Rock, BC, CA
- 2006 *Tribute: The Art of African Canadian Artists*, Varley Art Gallery of Markham, Markham, BC, CA
- 2005 *Tribute: The Art of African Canadian Artists*, Peel Art Gallery Museum + Archives, Brampton, ON, CA  
*Tribute: The Art of African Canadian Artists*, Mississauga Art Gallery, Mississauga, ON, Canada
- 2002 *Journey*, The Surrey Art Gallery, Surrey, BC, CA
- 1998 *Reflections and Revelations / Artists' Self Portraits*, Community Arts Council of White Rock and District Gallery, White Rock, BC, CA
- 1997 *Transforming the Image: African Canadian Visions Entering the Millennium*, Thames Art Gallery, Chatham, ON, CA
- 1997 *Why Can't Things Stay the Same? Transformations in Artmaking*, The Surrey Art Gallery, Surrey, BC, CA
- 1996 *Kwantlen University College Faculty of Fine Arts Exhibition*, Surrey, BC, CA
- 1995 *Pelekeana*, Vancouver Central Library, Vancouver, BC, CA  
*Pelekeana*, Metro Hall, Toronto, ON, CA
- 1992 *Celebrating African Identity: Politics and Icons of Representation*, The A Space Gallery, Toronto, ON, CA  
*Works and Statements 6: A Kwantlen Fine Arts Faculty Exhibition*, Community Arts Council of White Rock and District Gallery, White Rock, BC, CA
- 1984 *Kwantlen University College Faculty of Fine Arts Exhibition*, Surrey, BC, CA
- 1979 *Creative Flight*, The Surrey Art Gallery, Surrey, BC, CA
- 1973 *Books, Wallbooks, and Prints*, The Vancouver Art Gallery, Vancouver, BC, CA
- 1972 *SCAN: Survey of Canadian Art Now*, The Vancouver Art Gallery, Vancouver, BC, CA

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- 2019 "Multi-Talented Artist and Painter Jim Adams," Distillery District Magazine, Feb. 6
- 2018 "An Art Toronto Sales Report," Canadian Art, Oct. 30  
Sandals, Leah. "Our Editors' Picks for Art Toronto," Canadian Art, Oct. 25

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"Jim Adams Chasing the Irretrievable Moment," Spotlight on the Arts, Apr.  
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"An Artist for Life," The Surrey NOW-Leader, Apr. 7  
Zillich, Tom. "Artist for Life: The biggest exhibition of Jim Adams' long career opens at Surrey Art Gallery," BC Local News, Apr. 6  
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- 2015 Re:Source, A Living Archive 1975-2015, Surrey Art Gallery (exhibition catalogue)  
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- 2014 Mythic Sketches, Newton Cultural Centre (exhibition catalogue)
- 2013 Holmes, Tracy. "White Rock City Council Celebrates Local Artists," The NOW Newspaper, Feb. 7
- 2012 Mah, J.W. Journey, Surrey Art Gallery, Surrey Art Gallery (exhibition catalogue)
- 2010 Myth and Reality, Amelia Douglas Gallery (exhibition catalogue)
- 2010 Mt. Olympus Redux, Myths Revisited, ACT Gallery, Maple Ridge, (exhibition catalogue)
- 2008 "Jewels of the City," The Peace Arch News, Aug. 31  
"Names to Treasure," The Now Newspaper, Sep. 5  
Lumley, Elizabeth. "Canadian Who's Who," University of Toronto Press  
Williams, Dawn P. "Who's Who in Black Canada," University of Toronto Press
- 2007 "Politics Portrayed", The Peace Arch News, Feb. 24
- 2005 "African Canadian Art, Past and Present", The Hamilton Spectator, Feb. 26  
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- 2002 Journey, Surrey Art Gallery (exhibition catalogue)
- 2000 Jim Adams: In Advance of the Millennium, Surrey Art Gallery (exhibition catalogue)
- 1998 Forms of Conflict, Amelia Douglas Gallery (exhibition catalogue)
- 1997 Transforming the Image - African Canadian Visions entering the Millennium, Thames Art Gallery (exhibition catalogue)
- 1995 Pelekeana, Metro Hall, Vancouver Central Library (exhibition catalogue)
- 1994 Changes - Recent work of Jim Adams, The Community Arts Council Gallery (exhibition catalogue)
- 1992 Celebrating African Identity: Politics and Icons of Representation, A Space Gallery, Toronto (exhibition catalogue)
- 1983 Paintings by Jim Adams, Surrey Art Gallery (exhibition catalogue)
- 1979 Creative Flight, Surrey Art Gallery (exhibition catalogue)
- 1972 SCAN - Survey of Canadian Art Now, Vancouver Art Gallery (exhibition catalogue)
- Television: "S.A.G.A." Western Cablevision (creator / producer)  
"On View," Shaw Cablevision

**TEACHING / RELATED EXPERIENCE**

- 2015-present Chair, White Rock Public Art Advisory Committee, White Rock, BC, Canada
- 1998-present Vice Chair, City of Surrey Public Art Advisory Committee, Surrey, BC, Canada
- 2013 Community Inspiration Status Award, City of White Rock, BC, Canada
- 2007 Founder, Civic Treasures Awards, City of Surrey, BC, Canada

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2008	Lifetime Achievement Laureate, Civic Treasures, City of Surrey, BC, Canada
1995- 1998	Chair, Public Art Policy Development Committee, City of Surrey, BC, Canada
2016-present	Chair, Public Art Advisory Committee, City of White Rock, BC, Canada Member, Cultural Strategic Plan Task Force, City of Surrey, BC, Canada
2014-present	Vice Chair, Public Art Advisory Committee, City of Surrey, BC, Canada
1998-2004	Chair, Public Art Advisory Committee, City of Surrey, BC, Canada
2007-2008	Chair, Public Art Advisory Committee, City of Surrey, BC, Canada
2002	Chair, Host Committee, BC Festival of the Arts, Canada Chair, Department of Fine Arts, Kwantlen Polytechnic University, Surrey, BC, Canada
2003-2004	Founding Host, The Artists' Café, Surrey Art Gallery, Surrey, BC, Canada
1981-2000	Professor, Kwantlen Polytechnic University, Surrey, BC, Canada
1970-1981	Professor, Douglas College, Surrey, BC, Canada
1969	Professor, California State Long Beach, Long Beach, CA Professor, Laguna Beach School of Art and Design, Laguna, CA
1968	Teaching Artist, The Philadelphia Museum of Fine Art, Philadelphia, PA Teaching Artist, The Print Club, Philadelphia, PA Teaching Artist, The Fleisher Memorial Art School, Philadelphia, PA
1979	Organized international invitational exhibition, <i>Creative Flight</i> , Surrey Art Gallery + Langley Centennial Museum + National Exhibition Centre, BC, Canada
1965	Educational Scholarship, Temple University, Philadelphia, PA
1968	Educational Scholarship, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA
1976	Fifty Best Books of the Year, American Institute of Graphic Design, New York, NY Canada Council Lecturer, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON, Canada