

Ruth Marshall

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RESEARCHER BIO

Australian Ruth Marshall worked at The Bronx Zoo (home of the Wildlife Conservation Society) for 14 years. Her hands on research and the Zoo's extensive archives inspired Marshall to begin a series of hand knits pelts. Each one-of-a-kind textile is based off an individual animal studied in person or through scientific records. After leaving the Bronx Zoo in April of 2009, Marshall began working with institutions worldwide to chart the patterns from specimens in their collections. Her research has so far documented the patterns of pelts of Tigers, Leopards, Jaguars and Ocelots, and Australian Marsupials.

RESEARCH Highlights

Charting pelts with **Melbourne Museum** / Melbourne, Australia
Charting Archived Pelts with **American Museum of Natural History** / New York, NY
Photo shoot with The Yale **Peabody Museum** of Natural History / New York, NY
Charting Pelts of Live Animals with **Bronx Zoo** / New York, NY
Charting Pelts based on Scientific Data at **Bronx Zoo Library** / New York, NY

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING Highlights

2014 Knitting Workshop, **Wave Hill Cultural Center** / New York, NY
2014 Artist Lecture, **Arsenal Gallery Lecture Series** / New York City, NY
2013 Artist Lecture, **Montsalvat Red Chair Artist Talks** / Melbourne, Australia
2013 Guest Lecturer, **Eltham High School** / Melbourne, Australia
2013 Teen Event, **Rubin Museum** / New York, NY
2012 Lecture Series, **University of Maine Museum of Art** / Bangor, ME
2011 Guest Artist, **VOGUE** Knitting Conference / New York, NY
2010 Knitting Workshop Series, **Wave Hill Cultural Center** // New York, NY
Lecture, **Wave Hill Cultural Center** / New York, NY
Guest Artist Series, **Museum of Arts & Design** / New York, NY
2009 Knitting Workshop Series, **Hunterdon Art Museum** / Clinton, NJ
Lecture, **Lower Manhattan Public School**, New York, NY
2005 - 2009 Lecture & Liaison to numerous school groups, in conjunction **Bronx Zoo Education Dept** / Bronx, NY

TEACHING

2004 - Present
Fine Art Instructor / **School of Visual Arts**, New York, NY

AWARDS

2015 Bronx Recognizes Its Own Award, **Bronx Council of the Arts** / Bronx NY
2013 Bronx Recognizes Its Own Award, **Bronx Council of the Arts** / Bronx NY
2007 Bronx Recognizes Its Own Award, **Bronx Council of the Arts** / Bronx NY
1993 The Anne & Gordon Samstag International Visual Arts Scholarship - **University of South Australia**

COLLECTIONS

The Henry Buhl Collection, David Stark Collection among others.

EDUCATION

1995 MFA, **Pratt Institute** / Brooklyn, NY
1991 BFA, **Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology** / Melbourne, Australia