

## ART CHATS

public programs

**TEISUTIS ZIKARAS: SCULPTURES AND DRAWINGS**  
**CURATOR'S FLOOR TALK**  
**Thursday, 14 May 2009, 11 am – noon**

Guest Speaker: Ken Scarlett, curator, author and educator.

<b>Morning tea:</b>	10:30 am
<b>Talk:</b>	11am –12 pm
<b>Cost:</b>	Members \$10 Non-Members \$15
<b>Bookings:</b>	



**Teisutis ZIKARAS**  
**Horseman** 1958  
aluminium  
134.0 x 78.0 x 32.5 cm  
McClelland Gallery+Sculpture Park Collection  
Gift of Frank and Yvonne.

Unlike most of his contemporaries, who moved towards abstraction, Teisutis Zikaras remained constantly faithful to the human figure, depictions of which he used again and again to express his deeply felt convictions about religion and life, happiness and sorrow.

Originally trained in Lithuania, Zikaras arrived in Melbourne in 1949, where he exhibited his sculpture and drawings, winning prizes and gaining commissions. In 1960 he was an inaugural member of the celebrated *Centre Five Group* working with a variety of materials: plaster, terracotta, stone, *ciment fondu*, wood and works cast in aluminium and bronze.

With over 50 sculptures and drawings this exhibition will be the biggest survey of this artist's work since his solo exhibition in 1955.

Get a deeper insight into the creative journey of Zikaras, join Ken Scarlett for this stimulating talk.