

Ruth M. Haig, R.T., FCSCCL

1930s Born in Mildmay, Ontario

1954 Received certification as Registered x-ray Technologist, Hamilton

Went to St. Thomas Hospital to work as x-ray technologist

1960 Returned to Hamilton

1962 Enrolled in leather course at night school, Hamilton, for 8 years (Teacher: Irva Ford).

Joined Hamilton Leather Guild, Hamilton Handicraft Guild (now the Artisans Guild of Hamilton)

And Canadian Society for Creative Leathercraft (CSCL)

1966 Received ** Associate standing in CSCL (ACSCCL)

1965 Had winning articles in WESTON TROPHY Inter-branch competition, as well as in 1968, 69,78, 79,
80, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94

1973 Radiographer at DOFASCO Inc., Hamilton

1970s Attended workshops with bursaries from Artisans Guild (under Dave Trotter, as well as
Rex Lingwood and Paul Williams)

Conducted international leather workshops in Buffalo and Rochester, New York

1972-80 Exhibited at many gallery shows including:

Leather '72 Woodstock Art Gallery

Leather '76 Craft Gallery, Toronto

Leather '78 Etobicoke Civic Centre

Leather '80 Woodstock Art Gallery where she won Michigan Leather Award

Ontario Crafts Council Toronto

1977-81 Entered 20 articles (won 20 ribbons) Canadian National Exhibition, Toronto

1980 Received Michigan leather Award

1980s Exhibited at gallery shows including:

Leather '82, '84, '86, '88

1990s Exhibited at gallery shows including:

Leather '90, '92, '94

1950s-94 Craftsman and Salon ribbons: CSCL and International Assembly of Leather Craft (IALC)

1980 Attended World Craft Council Conference, Vienna

1982 Attended Maritime Canadian Craft Conference

1983 Charter member, by invitation, of TEXTURES craft co-op, Hamilton

1984 Received IRVA FORD MEMORIAL AWARD IMAGE '84 SHOW, Hamilton Art Gallery

1985 (Best moulded leather article)

1984 Image '84, Artisans Guild of Hamilton, committee member

1985 Received **Fellow standing in CSCL (FCSCCL)

1986 Attended World Craft Conference, Vancouver

1980s Attended several summer leather courses at Haliburton School of Fine Arts

➤ Volunteer on CSCL's CNE Leather Booth committee

Received Honourary Life membership: FCSCCL(Life)

1993 Retired as Director of Radiography Services at DOFASCO Inc., Hamilton

1995 Received ROBERT MUMA MEMORIAL AWARD (Best tooled leather article)

2000 Received an OVER 35 YEARS Ontario Volunteer Service Award for CSCL work

GENERAL

➤ Held many executive positions with Hamilton Leather Guild, Artisans Guild of Hamilton, Canadian Society for Creative Leathercraft (including that of president in all of them) in the past 43 years

➤ Secretary of CSCL Council of Fellows, Chairman of CSCL Teaching Standards Committee

➤ Taught throughout Ontario and in Michigan workshops and gave demonstrations.

➤ Arranged several leather displays in Hamilton area such as those at Terreberry Library.

➤ Published several times in *CANADIAN LEATHERCRAFT*

➤ Judge for CSCL annual convention leather shows and Biennials such as 2004 Biennial, Hamilton Public Library

** NOTE: CSCL has three skill rankings: General; Associate (ACSCCL); Fellow (FCSCCL). Fellow is the highest skill ranking