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# NOOVEEYA (NUVEEYA) IPELLIE

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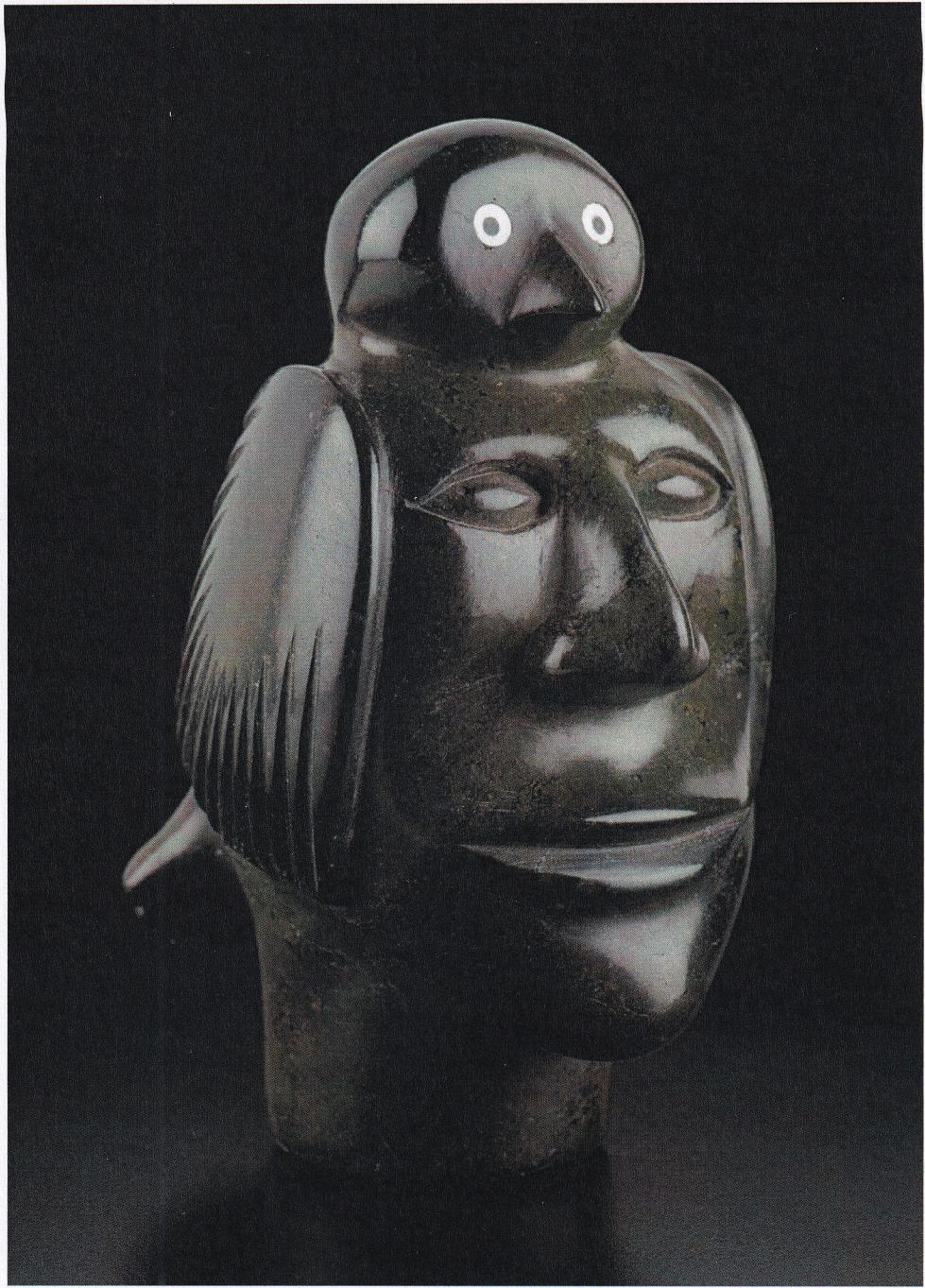
*Nooveeya Ipellie, Artist*  
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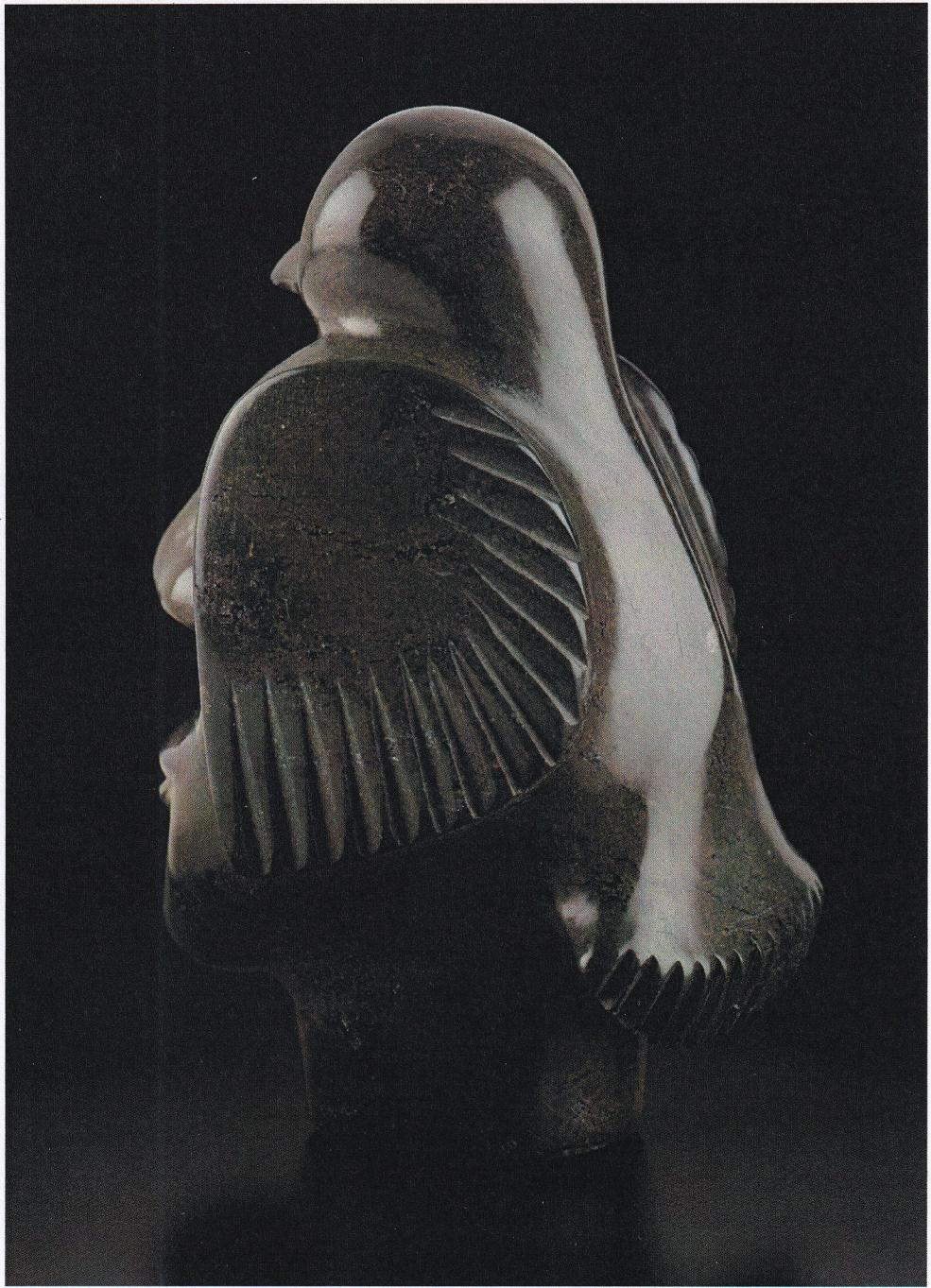
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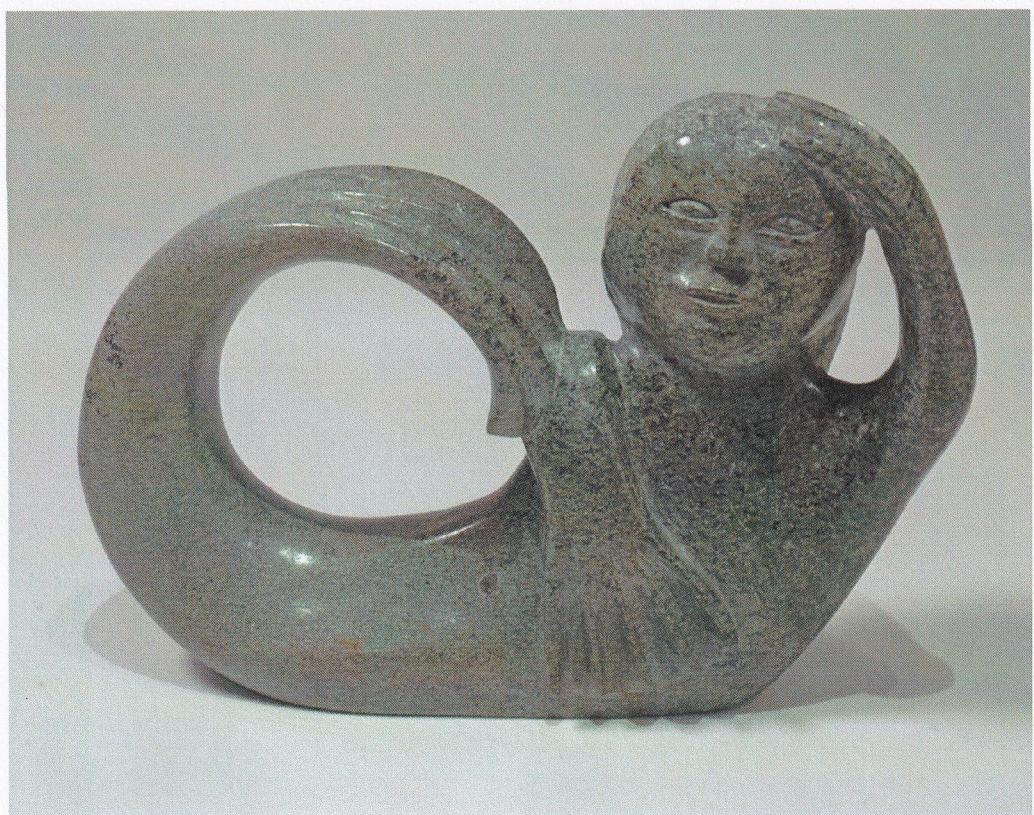
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**NUVEEYA IPELLIE (IPPELLIE; IPEELEE; NOUVEYA; NOOVEYA; IPEELIE;  
NOOVEEYA)**

Born: June 20, 1920      Died: June 2010    Male    E7509  
Place of Birth: Lake Harbour  
Resides: Iqaluit

Sculpture, Jewellery

Nuveeya Ipellie is the father of Iqaluit carver Seepee Ipeelie.

**SELECTED EXHIBITIONS**

May - June 1973

**Eskimo Art Exhibition with Masterwork Artists**  
Beckett Gallery  
Hamilton, Ontario

1975

**Sculpture from Frobisher Bay**  
Canadian Guild of Crafts Quebec  
Montreal, Quebec

April 1976

**Baffin Island Sculpture Exhibition**  
Baffin Regional School  
Iqaluit, Northwest Territories

March 1977 - February 1978

**The Things That Make Us Beautiful/Nos Parures**  
Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development  
Ottawa, Ontario  
(tour)  
(illustrated brochure)

October - November 1978

**Eskimo Art**  
Embankment Gallery  
London, England  
(illustrated catalogue)

April - May 1979

**Seepee Ipellie/Nooveya Ipellie**  
Waddington Galleries  
Toronto, Ontario

July 1979 - May 1980

**Inuit Art in the 1970s**  
Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development, and the  
Agnes Etherington Art Centre  
Kingston, Ontario  
(tour)  
(illustrated catalogue)

November - December 1979

**Fine Carvers of Frobisher Bay**  
Inuk 1  
San Francisco, California, U.S.A.

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January - February 1980	<b>Inuit Master Artists of the 1970s</b> Inuit Gallery of Vancouver Vancouver, British Columbia
March 1980	<b>Travel - A Means to Life</b> The Innuit Gallery of Eskimo Art Toronto, Ontario
April - May 1980	<b>The Klamer Family Collection of Inuit Art from the Art Gallery of Ontario</b> University of Guelph Guelph, Ontario (illustrated catalogue)
September - October 1980	<b>La deesse inuite de la mer/The Inuit Sea Goddess</b> Musee des beaux-arts de Montreal Montreal, Quebec (tour) (illustrated catalogue)
January - February 1981	<b>Seepée Ipeelee/Noovaya Ipeelee</b> Mazelow Gallery Toronto, Ontario
September 1981	<b>The Year of the Bear</b> The Arctic Circle Los Angeles, California, U.S.A.
April 1982	<b>Sculpture Inuit: Stone/Bone circa 1960-1979</b> Canadiana Galleries Edmonton, Alberta
January 1983	<b>The Face of the Inuit</b> The Innuit Gallery of Eskimo Art Toronto, Ontario
May 1983 - April 1985	<b>Grasp Tight the Old Ways: Selections from the Klamer Family Collection of Inuit Art</b> Art Gallery of Ontario Toronto, Ontario (tour) (illustrated catalogue)
November 1983 - March 1985	<b>Contemporary Indian and Inuit Art of Canada</b> Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development, Ottawa, presented at the General Assembly Building, United Nations New York, New York, U.S.A. (tour) (illustrated brochure)
February - March 1984	<b>Canadian Inuit Art</b> Sponsored by Canadian Arctic Producers at City Hall Nuuk/Godthab, Greenland

September - October 1984

**On the Land**  
The Arctic Circle  
Los Angeles, California, U.S.A.

1985 - 1986

**Selected Canadian Sculpture**  
Webster Galleries  
Calgary, Alberta  
(illustrated brochure)

June - August 1985

**The Art of Frobisher Bay**  
Arctic Artistry  
Hartsdale, New York, U.S.A.

December 1985

**Masterwork Sculpture 1985**  
Inuit Gallery of Vancouver  
Vancouver, British Columbia  
(illustrated catalogue)

April - May 1986

**Sixty Diminutive Eskimo Carvings**  
Images of the North  
San Francisco, California

May - June 1986

**The Spirit of the Land**  
The Koffler Gallery  
Toronto, Ontario  
(illustrated brochure)

October 1986

**Masterwork Sculpture 1986**  
Inuit Gallery of Vancouver  
Vancouver, British Columbia  
(illustrated catalogue)

1987

**Collectable Sculpture 1987**  
Webster Galleries  
Calgary, Alberta  
(illustrated catalogue)

March 1988

**Iqaluit**  
Inuit Gallery of Vancouver  
Vancouver, British Columbia  
(catalogue)

October 1988

**Tundra & Ice: Stone Images of Animals and Man**  
presented by Orca Aart at the Adventurers' Club  
Chicago, Illinois

January - February 1989

**Images of the Far North**  
Arctic Artistry (held at the Erie County Fairgrounds)  
Hartsdale, New York, U.S.A.

February 1989

**Arctic Images: Major Sculptures by Canada's Leading Contemporary Eskimo (Inuit) Artists**  
at D/Erlien Fine Art Limited presented by Orca Aart, Chicago Milwaukee, Wisconsin, U.S.A.

May 1989

**Spirit of the Birds**  
Gallery of the Arctic  
Victoria, British Columbia  
(illustrated catalogue)

October - December 1989

**Baffin Images**  
Orca Aart  
Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A.

January - September 1990

**Arctic Mirror**  
Canadian Museum of Civilization  
Hull, Quebec

June 1990 - July 1992

**The First Passionate Collector: The Ian Lindsay Collection of Inuit Art**  
Winnipeg Art Gallery  
Winnipeg, Manitoba  
(tour)  
(illustrated catalogue)

August 1990

**Traditions and Innovations in Inuit Art Sculpture in Stone**  
Images of the North  
San Francisco, California, U.S.A.  
(illustrated brochure)

November 1990

**This Is My World**  
Presented by Jordan Fine Arts at the Windmill Gallery  
Phoenix, Arizona, U.S.A.

November 1990 - February 1991

**Espaces Inuit**  
Maison Hamel-Bruneau  
Ste-Foy, Quebec  
(illustrated catalogue)

January 1991

**Bears of the North**  
Snow Goose Associates  
Seattle, Washington, U.S.A.

February 1991

**Animals of the Arctic**  
Arctic Inuit Art  
Richmond, Virginia, U.S.A.

March 1991

**Art Inuit**  
Galerie Saint Merri  
Paris, France

March - April 1993

**The Theme of Transformation in Inuit Sculpture**  
The Isaacs/Innuit Gallery  
Toronto

April - July 1993

**Multiple Realities: Inuit Images of Shamanic Transformation**  
Winnipeg Art Gallery  
Winnipeg, Manitoba  
(illustrated brochure)

May - August 1994

**On Collectors and Collecting: Selections from the Herb & Cece Schreiber Family Collection**  
The Art Gallery of Hamilton  
Hamilton, Ontario  
(illustrated brochure)

May - August 1994

**Selections from the Herb and Cece Schreiber Collection**  
Art Gallery of Hamilton  
Hamilton, Ontario

April - May 1995

**Three Inuit Artists: Grandfather, Father and Son**  
Arctic Artistry  
Hastings-on-Hudson, New York, U.S.A.

December 1995 - January 1996

**Inuit Art: from the collection of Maurice Yacowar**  
Collector's Gallery  
Calgary, Alberta

December 1995

**Images from the Arctic**  
Galerie D'Art Vincent  
Ottawa, Ontario

January - February 1996

**Not Just a Dancing Step...**  
Galerie D'Art Vincent  
Ottawa, Ontario  
(illustrated catalogue)

March - November 1996

**Head and Face: Selected Views of Inuit Sculpture**  
National Gallery of Canada  
Ottawa, Ontario

October - November 2008

**Spirit Wrestler: Shaman, Sedna and Spirits**  
Spirit Wrestler Gallery  
Vancouver, British Columbia  
(illustrated catalogue)

March - April 2011

**Mini-Masterworks IV**  
Spirit Wrestler Gallery  
Vancouver, British Columbia  
(illustrated catalogue)

## SOLO EXHIBITIONS

May 1973

**Sculpture by Nuuveeya Ipellie of Frobisher Bay and Fabian Oogark of Pelly Bay and Davidee Itulu of Lake Harbour**  
Beckett Gallery  
Hamilton, Ontario

February 1981

**Nouveya Ipellie: Recent Sculpture**  
Marion Scott Gallery  
Vancouver, British Columbia  
(illustrated catalogue)

1982

**Nuveeya Ipellie**  
Images for a Canadian Heritage  
Vancouver, British Columbia  
(illustrated catalogue)

## COLLECTIONS

Ackland Art Museum, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, U.S.A.  
Art Gallery of Hamilton, Hamilton, Ontario  
Canada Council Art Bank, Ottawa, Ontario  
Canadian Museum of Civilization, Hull, Quebec  
Dennos Museum Center, Northwestern Michigan College, Traverse City, Michigan, U.S.A.  
Eskimo Museum, Churchill, Manitoba  
Inuit Cultural Institute, Rankin Inlet, Northwest Territories  
Klamer Family Collection, Art Gallery of Ontario, Toronto, Ontario  
McMaster University Art Gallery, Hamilton, Ontario  
Museum of Anthropology, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, British Columbia  
National Gallery of Canada, Ottawa, Ontario  
University of Lethbridge Art Gallery, Lethbridge, Alberta  
Winnipeg Art Gallery, Winnipeg, Manitoba

## HONOURS, ACHIEVEMENTS AND EVENTS

1977 Received the Award of Merit in the jewellery competition 'The Things That Make Us Beautiful', which was sponsored by the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development.  
1978 Nuuveya's work was included in a slide presentation of the work of 76 outstanding Canadian sculptors brought together in honour of the 10th International Sculpture Conference, which was held at Ontario Place in Toronto.

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