

Personal Memories

By Tony Deuters [\[email\]](#)

I thought would like to write you this its in 2 parts the first is historical the 2nd is more about me and my life in the US and Canada, so I hope you enjoy it.

To start with I am 80 + and forced into retirement last year with a heart attack, I spent 2 days in a swiss hospital.

THE SOUNDS AND SIGNS OF A YOUNG MAN IN WALTHAMSTOW.

These are my dearest memories between 1942 and 1952:

The silence of the Wednesday and Sunday closings of the shops etc
the line up for ice cream at Rossis and Como
the singing of the Costa mongers selling their wares
The Trolley bus driver pulling their steering wheel to get round the corner at James street
The train sound crossing the James street bridge
Piano sounds from the various pubs leaking out to the street
Lebamans snooker room in the high street (was forbidden to go there LOL)
the noise of the bikes at Wstow speedway
The food Cart at hoe street station and his great meat pies but after 10 at night
Saturday night at the assembly hall dance along with the DA haircut and drape jackets.
Alfies (I think) for egg and chips at the Bell corner Friday nights.
The worse sound was the bombs echoing down the High street during the war
but the way the adults kept the children safe without fear.
watching the moms wheel the prams around Loyds park

That's a few and dear to me if you don't want to share that's cool too.

Now for me and my adventures

Enclosed is my resume, also some of my paintings and press release sculpted 280 figures in wax designed 11 museums including the HOUDINI HALL OF FAME, also many movie museums and discotheques in all I think you will see I have had a great life and thanks to you some of will be recorded in my home town.



Above, Tony Deuters works on putting the eyebrows on 'Elvis' in his basement workshop Wednesday. Below, Deuters work table is covered with various pictures of his works displayed around the world.

the KING is DUSTED

... and he's headed to Germany

Local sculptor's latest piece a 'hunka, hunka' wax Elvis

By Andrew Dys
Gazette Staff Reporter

GASTONIA — On stifling hot Plyler Lake Road, "The King" still rules.

His head, anyway, with raven-black hair styled in an outrageous pompadour, upper lip curled in mid-song sneer, and his trademark mutton-chop sideburns.

Thanks to the deft touch and waxy skill of sculptor Tony Deuters, Elvis Presley's head will cross the ocean to Germany once again. This time, the destination is the Linz on the Rhine Movie Magic Museum, where the wax replica of



stands in wait, adorned with the white leather, rhinestone studded, Thunderbird emblazoned jumpsuit from the "Aloha from Hawaii" special.

He is made from clay. He builds a plaster mold around the clay, fires the mold, then pours molten wax inside. After a few hours of drying, out pops a rough-looking wax Elvis.

"But that is only the start of it," Deuters says, a cigarette burning eternal like a movie prop between pursed, thin lips, an Englishman personified with a tightly knotted ascot pulled up against his throat.

The ultimate free-lancer, Deuters works for no one but his own conscience. Sometimes he's flush with work, other times the phone never seems to ring.

Born in London, raised in Canada, where he served a stint with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police in the icy reaches of Saskatchewan in the 1950s, he's an architect by trade who grew bored with the constraints of buildings. Deuters has designed nightclubs, movie sets and museums for more than 30 years.

He's met and sculpted Sinatra and built casino show sets in Vegas. His workshop is full of wax and zinc stand



cartoon stones



High st Sat



St James St station



WW2 the worst of it

On permanent exhibit in Gastonia Library

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Education

Graduate Courses: Commercial Interior Design
Kitchen Engineering Diploma
Graduate Architect, London, England
Post Construction Management
Theater Production and Design

Teaching Credentials

University & College Courses and Seminars
Architectural Drafting and Design 1st & 2nd year
Presentation & Rendering
Construction Project Management
Theatre Arts and Staging
Figure Sculpting and Drawing

Affiliations

Association Registered Interior Designers of Ontario
Interior Designers of Canada
Production Designers Assoc

Fraternities

Masonic & Shriners of North America
Who's Who of Interior Design – International, Inducted 1989

EMPLOYMENT

CREATRIX,

Event planning, stage & Trade Shows, Charlotte, NC
Art Director

ENCORE PRODUCTIONS, Trade Shows, Las Vegas, NV

Design Director
Designed various Projects for Sales Account Executives
Client List: IBM, Denny's Restaurants, M.A.G.I.C. in Las Vegas, NV,
GM Motors, Klipsch Sound Company and many more.

DREAM FACTORY Dagesheim, Switzerland

Director of Design & Productions
Act as Architect and Construction Manager of all phases of work including stage and lighting.
Theatre , TV, Trade Shows & Auctions
Residential & Commercial Design
A 1000 seat dinner theater with cigar room, bars and night-club
Romanshorn, Switzerland – Theatre opened December 7, 1999Project:

MOVIE MAGIC MUSEUM – Linz on the Rhein, Germany

Project Designer, Construction Supervisor
Project: A 100 thousand square foot museum of artifacts, Design build all sets, displays, sculpt figures,
Produce sound and lighting for entire exhibit

KINOPOLIS BONN, GERMANY

Project: Starwars display for new movie release
Design and build booth for theater, lobbies

TOURIST ATTRACTION – MONSCHAU, GERMANY

Architect Designer Project Construction Supervisor
Project: Five-Million Dollar Tourist Attraction, designed, produce drawings, specifications, supervise c
construction and installation of furniture textures and electrical. Kitchen planning for restaurants.

MAGIC & MOVIE HALL OF FAME, LAS VEGAS, NV

Architect Designer, Project Construction Supervisor
Designed, produce drawings, specifications, supervises construction and installation of all displays figures
and illusions

UNIVERSAL STUDIOS, STUDIO CITY, CA

Art Director
Consult with various department heads and directors regarding design for the back-lot attractions,
television and movie properties

CANADA

ONTARIO STORE FIXTURES INC., TORONTO, ONTARIO, CANADA

Director, Special Projects Division
Create project development within tourism and hospitality markets through out Canada, United States

and the Caribbean, supervise and prepared drawings specifications as required

Key Accounts: King Edward Hotel, Four Seasons, Sky Dome Stadium, Lester B. Pearson International Airport, Toronto, Canada, Channel, United States

DEUTERS DESIGNS, LAS VEGAS, NV, TORONTO, ONTARIO, CANADA

President and Owner

Key Accounts: Gladys Knight Creations, Sunset Station Casino, Las Vegas, NV, Galleria Mall, Easter

Exhibit, Henderson, NV, Scenic Technologies, Stage Shows, Las Vegas, NV, Ripley's Believe It or Not,

Tussauds Wax Museum, *International*, *Houdini Hall of Fame*, *Trillion Square-Tourist Center*, *Niagara Falls, Canada*, Galactica 2000 Night-Club, Eppominodas