

## Cathy Jarratt

Night flight is inspired by the plight of the harmless Bogong Moth - who just do what they do, every year, when they travel in their thousands on their annual migratory path south. These days they are stopped in their tracks by the bright lights of Canberra, where high above Parliament House they are drawn into a nocturnal web of light and birds, and cause mayhem.

Cathy Jarratt is a contemporary jewellery designer living on the far south coast of NSW. Born in the rugged Monaro high country, and with a lifetime of living by the sea, Cathy's work is inspired by the elements and her understanding of the constant challenges nature undergoes just to survive. Cathy's pieces are fragile, tactile and ephemeral, often incorporating textile techniques such as crochet, knitting and knotting with fine silver wire, using unconventional materials and found objects. Preferring to make one-off statement pieces she also enjoys adding an element of surprise or curiosity to her designs.

A Bachelor of Visual Arts graduate of Sydney College of the Arts in Object, Art and Design, Cathy's work has been selected for various high profile group exhibitions. She has exhibited with the Jewellers and Metalsmiths Group of Australia NSW at the National Wine Centre and Zu Design Gallery in Adelaide; and in Sydney at Gaffa and Horus and Delorus Gallery Pyrmont. Cathy Jarratt's pieces have also been shown at Breathing Colours Gallery Balmain and selected for the Bega Art Prize at the Bega Valley Regional Gallery. 'Night Flight' a work inspired by Bogong Moths flying over Parliament House (centre image), was recently selected in the Over Your Head exhibition at Stanley Street Gallery in Darlinghurst; and in 2006 she was successful in obtaining an artist residency at Bundanon, Nowra.

### EDUCATION:

2002 - 2004 University of Sydney, Sydney College of the Arts  
Bachelor of Visual Arts - Object, Art & Design (Jewellery & Object)

### TRAINING:

2005 - 2009 Workshop Arts Centre, Willoughby - Jewellery  
1995 - 2001 Warringah Printmakers Studio, Manly Vale - Relief & Intaglio Printmaking

### GROUP EXHIBITIONS:

2014 Spiral Gallery, Bega - Spiral Artists & Friends  
2013 Spiral Gallery, Bega - Sensational Summer  
Spiral Gallery, Bega - Wearable Art  
Bega Valley Regional Gallery - The Country Show  
2012 Bega Valley Regional Gallery - The Bega Art Prize 2012  
Spiral Gallery, Bega - Summer at Spiral  
Spiral Gallery, Bega - 'Wharf Tales' Art Prize  
Spiral Gallery, Bega - Washed Ashore  
2011 Spiral Gallery, Bega - Summer at Spiral  
Bega Valley Regional Gallery - reSOURCE: the art of recycling  
Busting Out Merimbula Charity Auction/Exhibition - Flora, Mother of a Saint  
Spiral Gallery, Bega - Summer Never Ends  
2010 Spiral Gallery, Bega - Lazy Hazy Days  
Spiral Gallery, Bega - Turning the Tables - the Art of Dining  
Bega Valley Regional Gallery - The Footy Show

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Busting Out Merimbula Charity Auction/Exhibition - Baby Grand  
2009 Bega Valley Regional Gallery - Out of the Box III  
Breathing Colours Gallery, Balmain - Friends of Breathing Colours Gallery  
2008 Breathing Colours Gallery, Balmain - PLUS  
Ewart Gallery, Workshop Arts Centre, Willoughby - Atelier Painting & Jewellery studios  
National Wine Centre Adelaide, and Horus & Delorus Gallery, Pymont NSW  
JMGA-NSW Inc. Profile 2008  
2007 Ewart Gallery, Workshop Arts Centre, Willoughby - Red  
2006 Sydney College of the Arts - JMGA-NSW Inc. Graduate Metal X  
Pymont Studios Gallery - JMGA-NSW Inc. OUT OF SITE  
Zu design, Adelaide - Catch on  
SODA Gallery, Avalon Beach - Embrace  
Gaffa Gallery - JMGA-NSW Inc. Takeaway  
2005 Ewart Gallery, Workshop Arts Centre, Willoughby - Found  
Pymont Studios Gallery - Vessel: mode of containment  
1000oC Contemporary Jewellery & Glass Gallery, Avalon Beach - Element  
1000oC Contemporary Jewellery & Glass Gallery, Avalon Beach - Coast Line  
2004 Sydney College of the Arts, Rozelle - Utility - Function  
Griffith Regional Art Gallery - National Contemporary Jewellery Award  
Pymont Studios Gallery - SCA 3rd Year Jewellery & Object students  
We don't do gold or diamonds

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2005 Lark Books, 500 Bracelets, page 306

ARTIST RESIDENCY:

2006 Bundanon, Nowra NSW