

## Jennifer Martin

I'm a gold and silversmith from Melbourne. I make work that references personal, historical and mystical narratives. I completed my undergraduate degree at RMIT in 1999 and my Masters of Fine Art in 2012.

I see my jewellery as a form of story telling. The story can refer to historical, mystical or personal objects, places, events or people.

I look to the forest, the sea and the sky consistently for the traces of narrative left by people, birds and animals.

I generally use traditional techniques and materials in my work; gold, silver, gemstones, repousse and engraving.

I hope to create work that evokes a sense of enchantment and appreciation of the wondrous place that we inhabit in time and space.

I like to think that I suggest the beginning of the story, in precious metals and stones, and the wearer continues it.

### Education

1995-1996 Associate Diploma of Engineering (Jewellery Design and Metalsmithing) Box Hill College of TAFE

1997-1999 Bachelor of Fine Arts (Gold and Silversmithing) RMIT University

2011-2012 Master of Fine Arts RMIT University

### Workshops

1996 Holloware workshop with Junji Konishi

1999 Hole with Gilles Jonneman

### Grants

2007 New Work Emerging Artist Grant, Australia Council for the Arts

### Awards

2010 Director's Decade of Dedication Award, e.g.etal

1996 Twin Plaza Metals Design Award

1996 Melbourne Jewellers Supplies Product Development Award

### Solo Exhibitions

2009 Snowstorm, e.g. etal, Melbourne

2008 Taking the air with Master Basho and Maestro Ravel, assisted by the Australian

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- Government through the Australia Council for the Arts, e.g.etal, Melbourne
- 2007 Enchanted Forest. e.g. etal, Melbourne
- 2006 ...she really couldn't sleep a wink (with acknowledgement to Mr. Anderson) e.g.etal, Melbourne
- 2005 Treasure Trove of The Princess Mirabelle (small yellow plum) e.g.etal, Melb
- 2004 Winter Dream Map, e.g.etal, Melbourne
- 2004 Jennifer Martin's Topiary Garden, e.g.etal Melbourne
- 2003 Owl House (window) Craft Victoria Melbourne
- 2003 Une Jeune Fille, e.getal, Melbourne
- 2003 My Pony, Alice Euphemia, Melbourne
- 2002 Box, Present, Rabbit, Leaves, e.g.etal, Melbourne