

Stanley Street gallery

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I am an artist who works between Sydney and the Hunter Region of NSW. My current work is an exploration of the many moods of the Hawkesbury River. It is inspired by the flow of water, mountains, fog and trees at the liminal zone of the river. I uses natural forms and materials to create semi-abstracted images in particular works related to an environment unmarked by human intervention, a world no longer in existence, to places where there is no sign of human desecration, a place that is said to be no longer found anywhere on the earth. My artworks are painted in ink on canvas, in an effort to capture some of the essences of water, such as fecundity, balance and profusion. I have constructed my vision of a particular place, the Hawkesbury River, while drawing inspiration from a much broader range of marine environments.

The muted rendering of light and tone in my paintings establishes the stillness and luminosity of the river at dusk or dawn, while the underlying forms generate a symmetry between sky and ground that simulates a peaceful balance and harmony. The soft edges and indeterminate shapes create a sense of mystery and a feeling of power behind the stillness. A kind of eeriness pervades each dark, brooding landscape. In addition the eighty-one small works are designed to create wonder and awe in their mass and variety, despite the similarities of materials, size and colour.

ABOUT

I am an artist who works in the Hunter Region of NSW. My artworks are created in a variety of media from abstract to representational. Creating art has been a life-long passion and I have completed both my Bachelor of Fine Arts (Hons) and Master of Fine Art at the National Art School in Sydney. I have received a highly commended in the Singleton Art Prize and been part of a number of group shows in the Hunter and Sydney. I took part in a community art project in conjunction with Maitland Council and Maitland Regional Art Gallery (MRAG) in 2013 and one of my drawings was selected for the archive of the National Art School in that year. In 2015 I was one of a group of local artists featured in an exhibition at the Cessnock Regional Gallery.

EXHIBITIONS

November 2016 - Post Graduate Exhibition at National Art School, Darlinghurst: all works sold

July 2016 - Part of a group show at Factory 49 Marrickville with National Art School Colleagues.

May 2016 - Large work, ink on canvas titled *Backwater I* hung in the Saatchi and Saatchi exhibition space, Woolloomooloo, Sydney.

2015 – Designed posters for the local feminist group AWE as part of a campaign to decrease violence against women

November - 2015 - Graduate Exhibition at National Art School, Darlinghurst: four out of eight works sold

November - 2015 'Black' group exhibition at Newcastle Art Space

June - 2015 – Stairwell Gallery, National Art School group show '*The paddock: Looking back at the field*'

March - 2015 – Group show at Cessnock Regional Gallery

December - 2014 Solo show '*Natural*' 'The Art Gallery' Hunter St Mall, Newcastle

November - 2014 – Undergraduate Exhibition at National Art School: All six works sold

September - 2014 '*Organic Forms*' first solo show held at 'Since I left you' Kent St Sydney

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August - 2014 Monotype hung in the Maitland Regional Art Gallery annual print sale

June - 2014 "Art for Waratah" Hunter Health group print exhibition, Newcastle NSW

May - 2014 'Crossing Borders' – groups show (drawing) national Art School

May - 2014 'In the Spotlight' – Group Exhibition Tara Anglican School for Girls

December - 2013 Drawing accepted into NAS Archive – 'In Place:' NAS Floor 30x40cm Ink and watercolour on French drawing paper

December - 2013 One of three artists in the Community Art Project 'Winter Wonderland' Maitland City Council and Maitland Regional Gallery.

November - 2013 National Art School 'Landscape' group show

June - 2013 Tyrell's Exhibition – Group show

March - 2013 *Seascape and beyond*: Art Exhibition Held at Merewether SLSC

December - 2012 'In the Garden' group exhibition at Lorn Gallery NSW

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