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**ARTIST STATEMENT**

“Layers of memories, drawings, and texture inform my art practice. I’m fortunate to live on the Queensland coast and I continue to explore it each day. My local environment is the inspiration and the stimulant for experimenting with all things creative - including painting, drawing, environmental sculpture, printmaking, educating & mentoring.”

**CV SINCE 2000**

**SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS**

- “Kimberley Escape” – Mackay Regional Botanical Gardens 2020
- “Recent Works” Jubilee Gallery Mackay 2017
- “Marking Time” Gallery 48 The Strand Townsville 2017
- “Lunaverse” Art, Poetry, Music in a Yoga studio – Anywhere Festival 2017
- “Recent Work” Mill Gallery Yeppoon 2012
- “Shell Shock” Umbrella Studio Townsville 2011
- “Who Minds the Shells” Coalface Gallery Moranbah 2011
- “Who Minds the Shells” Artspace Mackay 2010
- “Noughts & Crosses” Barossa Regional Gallery 2008
- “Noughts & Crosses” Arthouse Mackay 2007
- “Sinistra” Gargett Gallery 2006
- “Letters of Intent” Whitsunday Anglican School 2005

**SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS**

- “RADF Showcase” – Mackay Regional Council 2024
- “Keswick Island Art Trail” – Keswick Island 2022
- “Wrapt in Mugul” – Gladstone Regional Council 2021
- “Tree Hugger” – Living With Koalas 2020
- Little Bird Postcard Project – Touring exhibition 2020/21
- “Libris Awards” Artspace Mackay 2020
- “Sugartime” – Jubilee Centre 2020
- Cedar Gallery Eungella 2020
- “Foundations in Drawing” - Artspace Mackay 2019
- “Fiji Greenhouse” – CQU Gallery, Mackay 2017
- “Colours of the Coral” – Museum of Tropical North Queensland 2014
- “Libris Awards” Artspace Mackay 2013
- “Looking Forward Looking Back” Artspace Mackay 2012
- “Printbank” Artspace Mackay 2010
- “Libris Awards” Artspace Mackay 2010
- “Libris Awards” Artspace Mackay 2008
- “Flying Arts Brisbane” Metro Arts Brisbane 2007
- “Flying Arts Regional” Rockhampton Regional Gallery 2007
- “Compact Prints” Umbrella Studio Townsville 2006
- “Flying Arts Regional” Pinnacles Gallery Thuringowa 2006
- “Habitus Habitat – Great! Walks Art & Environment” Artspace Mackay 2005
- “The River” Artspace Mackay 2004
- “Flying Arts INK” Tour selected galleries QLD, NSW, NT 2000/2002

## **SELECTED AWARDS**

Winner – Mackay Art Society 2023  
Best in Show – Mackay Art Society 2021  
Winner Drawing Award, Mackay Art Society 2019.  
Winner Open, Pioneer Valley Arts 2016  
First Prize Works on Paper Mackay Art Society 2016  
First Prize Landscape/Seascape Mackay Art Society 2013  
First Prize Open Sarina Scope 2012  
Winner Inaugural Postcard Prize Mackay Entertainment & Convention Centre 2009  
Winner Contemporary Prize Mackay Art Society 2009  
First Prize Works on Paper 2008  
First Prize Local Artist 2007 Mackay Art on Show  
BHP Cannington Drawing Award Cloncurry Arts Council, 2003  
Print Award Sugartime Art Exhibition 2002  
Winner Open Pioneer Valley Arts Inc, 2002  
Contemporary Figurative Award Sarina Visual Arts, 2002  
SAS Strategic Award Barcaldine Arts, 2001

## **SELECTED PUBLIC ART**

“Keswick Island Art Trail” – Keswick Island 2022  
“Wrapt in Mugul” – Art Trail. Mt Colosseum Qld 2021  
5<sup>th</sup> Lane Street Art Project 2019  
“Lunaverse” Installation 2017 Anywhere Festival  
Installation, Wave Harp, Strand Ephemera 2015, collaboration with Jenni Hanna, Neil Brookes.  
Mural, Time Lapse, Mackay Entertainment Centre 2014  
Mural on Ceiling, Wartime Aircraft, collaboration with Jenni Hanna, RSL Finch Hatton Sub Branch 2014  
Mural, Underground Miners, Jenmar Australia Pty Ltd Mackay 2008  
Shadow Puppets, Design & Performance Assistant, River Rock to Mountain Top Festival 2008  
Pole Painting Project, Pioneer Valley Arts 2004  
Mural Project, Gargett State School 2004  
Pole Painting Project, Mackay City Heart 2002

## **COMMUNITY BASED INVOLVEMENT**

Keswick Island Yoga & Art Retreat – With Gail McKee IYTA Keswick Island 2024  
Geli Plate Workshop – Dolphin Heads Resort 2024  
Tasmania Art Workshop – RADF 2022  
The Kimberly Retreat – Kimberlys 2020  
Creative Disaster Recovery Workshop 2021  
Sip ‘n’ Paint – Pioneer Valley Arts Inc. 2021  
Brigalow Arts Festival, Biloela, Judge and Workshop Facilitator 2020  
Tutor – Smith Family, Artspace Mackay 2020.  
Tutor – Artspace Mackay Kids Class 2020.  
Visual Arts Advisory Committee, Mackay Regional Council, member 2013-2018  
Artspace Mackay, Volunteer 2004/18  
River Rock to Mountain Top Festival, Arts Trail Participant 2013  
Gargett Gallery Director, Artist in Residence 2004-2012  
River Rock to Mountain Top Festival, Piano with Attitude Project Manager 2010  
Flying Arts Inc, Regional Rep 2004/10  
Mackay Festival of Arts, Divine Kitchen Drawing Class 2009  
Mackay Regional Council, Rural Affairs Advisory Committee Delegate 2008/09  
Abaf Arts & Business, Committee Member 2008/09  
River Rock to Mountain Top Festival, Assistant Processional Puppets Project 2008/09  
Middlemount Arts Council, Residency, Coalfields to Coast Festival 2007  
Mirani Shire Council, Australia Day Cultural Award 2003  
Mirani Rotary Club, Vocational Service Award 1998  
Pioneer Valley Tourism & Development – Community Service Award 1997  
Variety Club Qld – Bash entrant 1997-2005