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Selected Grants, Awards, Commissions**

2023 ***Winner*** – “Best in Show” Artists and Art, Annual Art Comp. Mackay, Qld.

2022 ***Winner*** – 2D Award– Whitsunday Arts Festival, Qld.

2022 ***Winner*** – Easel painting award, Central Highlands, Emerald, Qld.

2021 Regional Arts Development Fund, Grant recipient, Mackay, Qld

2021 ***Winner*** $10,000– John Villiers Outback Art Prize, Winton, Qld.

2021 Selected Finalist – Queensland Regional Art Awards, Flying Arts Inc.

2021 Selected Finalist – Lethbridge Landscape Prize, Brisbane, Qld.

2021 ***Winner*** – Art on Show, Mackay, Works on Paper

2021 Selected Finalist – Whitsunday Arts Festival

2019 ***Winner*** – Art on Show, Mackay, Works on Paper

2019 Selected Finalist – Pro Hart Broken Hill Outback Art Prize, N.S.W.

2019 ***Winner*** – Oil Painting, Bowen Art Society

2018 Selected Finalist – Moreton Bay Art Awards, Pine Rivers, Qld.

2018 Selected Finalist - Percival Portrait Painting Prize, Townsville. Qld.

2018 ***Winner*** – Acrylic Painting, Mackay Art Society

2017 ***Winner*** – Paxton’s Portrait Painting Prize, Mackay, Qld.

2016 Selected Finalist - Pro Hart Broken Hill Outback Art Prize

2016 Selected Finalist Moreton Bay Art Awards, Pine Rivers

2015 Selected Finalist - Broken Hill Outback Art Prize

2015 ***Winner*** – Oil Painting, Mackay Art Society

2015 Open H.C. Mackay Art Society

2015 H.C. – Works on Paper, Sarina Art Extravaganza

2011 ***Winner*** – Landscape prize, Sarina Art Extravaganza

2010 Regional Arts Development Fund, Grant recipient, Mackay, Qld

2009 Commended - Airlie Beach Marine Art Show)   
2007 Commended - Sarina Scope Art on Show  
1996 Marian Mill Award – Pioneer Valley  
1995 Acquisitive Award – Pioneer Valley  
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1992 ***Winner*** – Pioneer Valley  
1994 ***Winner*** Group Mural – Mackay Airport

1992 Open Encouragement Award - Rockhampton

1991 ***Winner*** – Sarina Art Society

1991 Open runner up, Gladstone

1990 ***Winner*** Contemporary – Pioneer Valley

1989 ***Winner*** Oil and watercolour, - Blackwater

1988 Artist considered most promise – Barrier Reef Art Awards, Mackay

1987 ***Winner*** Open – Pioneer Valley

**Solo Exhibitions**

2024,2023 Artist Inc. Open Studios, July

2022 Central Regional Queensland Art Gallery, Emerald – “*Light on Landscape*”

RADF funded.

2022 Coalface Gallery, Moranbah. – “*Light on Landscape*” – RADF funded.

# 2021 Bauhinia Bicentennial Art Gallery, Springsure, Dec – January

# “*Light on Landscape*” RADF funded

2021 Cedar Gallery, April – August, Eungella

2020 Mackay Artspace Regional Gallery, December – February 2021

“*Light on Landscape*”

2018 Milton House Gallery, Mackay, Queensland

2017 Pilgrim Uniting Church, Adelaide – “*Dreamscapes”*

2017 Mackay Golf Course, Mackay

2016 Mackay Golf Course, Mackay

2013 Paxton’s Gallery, Mackay

2011 Botanical Gardens, Mackay – *“Where the Shore Meets the Sea”*

2010 Gargett Gallery – “*Paperbarks to Pebble Beach”*

2010 Botanical Gardens, Mackay – *“Mackay Landscapes”*

2005 Beenleigh Cultural Centre, Brisbane

2005 Satchmo’s, West End, Brisbane

**Selected Group Exhibitions**

2023 “Passion for Plein Air” Botanical Gardens, Mackay

2023 “Launch of Artist Studios” Gallery 31, C.Q.U. Campus, Mackay

2022 Provoking Change – (re)action states of change 7 – 28th July,

2022 RADF showcase of recipients, 2021 – 2022 Jubilee Centre, Mackay

2022/1 “*Art on the Hill*” Mackay

2021 Mackay Cedar Gallery, Eungella

2019 *“Foundations in Drawing”* Mackay Art Space Regional Gallery

2019 - 2023 Hamilton Island Art Gallery

2018 Moreton Bay Art Finalist Awards

2018 Percival Portrait Painting Finalist Prize

2017 “*Beautiful one Day, Fruit Salad the Next”* A Flying Arts Alliance Initiative, Judith Wright Centre for Contemporary Arts, Brisbane

2017 Mackay Art on Show

2016 Mackay Art on Show, Mackay Art Society

2015 Sarina Extravangza, Mackay Art on Show

2013 Paxton’s Gallery, Mackay

2012 Paxton’s Gallery, Mackay

2011 Sarina Scope, Mackay Art on Show, Printbank

2010 Printbank - Artspace Mackay; Art on Show, Mackay, Sarina Scope, Gargett Gallery – “*Festival Fever”*

2009 Gargett Drawing Prize, Sarina Scope, *Art on Show*, Mackay

2009 Artspace Mackay Postcard Exhibition

2008 Sarina Scope; Art on Show, Mackay,

2007 Gargett Gallery – “*Faces and Places”*

2007 Circle Gallery, West End - “*Expressions of Interest”*

2007 Gold Coast Convention Centre – “Art Expo”

2006 Leif’s Art Space, West End.

2006 Gargett Gallery, *-“Press-less Painters”*

2004 Gargett Gallery Inaugural Exhibition

2000,1998 Adelaide Fringe Festival - “*Australian Spirituality”*

2000 Brisbane, Fortitude Valley -“We Mean Women”

1998 Q.U.T. student exhibition, Brisbane - “*Interval”*

1997 Q.U.T. student exhibition, Brisbane.

1996 Walter Reid Centre, Rockhampton.- *Mountains of Colour”*

1996 - 87 Mackay City Library - Forbes Contemporary Art Group

1995 Qld. Arts Council (RADF funded) - “*Colour and Collage”*

1993 Mackay City Library - “*Fertile Ground”*

1992 North Eton Pottery Gallery - “*Summer Quartet”*

1991 Aust. Flying Arts School, Brisbane - “*20th Anniversary”*

1990 Aust. Flying Arts, School, Brisbane - “*Beyond the Boundaries”*

**Public Art**

2019 “Plastic Boutique”, Mackay

2019 5th Lane Street Art Project

2010 “Piano with Attitude” Gargett Gallery RADF funded

2006 Collaboration Mural Project Sunnybank Community Park, Sunnybank

2002 Mural Project– Aspley State School   
1995 Mural Project– Slade Point State School  
1995 Winner - Mural - Mackay Airport

**Professional Development**

2023 Cold Wax workshop, 5 days, Butter Factory, Cooroy.

2022 Makers’ shopfront – A 2 day Exhibition Development Bootcanp

2021 RASN Creative Business Champions Mentoree

2020 Provoking Change Project Retreat, Seaforth. A 2 day intensive art making, linking technology and art collaboration

2018 “*Where to Next”* A Career Management Intensive for Mid-Career Artists. An initiative of NAVA and Flying Arts Inc., Toowoomba, Qld.

2018 Artiz Innovation at The Edge, (Qld State Library) for Educators, Flying Arts Inc.

2000 Bachelor Arts and Bachelor Education, Q.U.T., Brisbane. Majored in sculpture. Completed, painting, printmaking, and sculpting workshops with nationally acclaimed tutors.   
Art teacher in public schools and private classes for children and adults.

**Employment**

## 2019 - 2024 Residency Hamilton Island

## 2018 - 2024 Artist and Teacher Relief

## 2011 – 2017 Education Qld, Mackay North High School

## 2010 Education Qld., Teacher Relief, Primary and High School

2000 – 2008 Education Qld. -Sunnybank State High School, Brisbane

**Gallery Representation**

Cedar Gallery, Eungella.

Hamilton Island Gallery

Milton House Gallery, Mackay

**Community Involvement/Residencies**

2023 – 4 Inaugural Artist Trail Mackay Committee Member

2023 Tutor for “Responding to the River” 1 day workshop

2023, Tutor and Artist talk for 1 day workshop, Clermont, Qld.

2023, 2022 Artist Residency – Bimblebox Nature Reserve, Qld. 4 – 11 Sept.

2023, 2022 Tutor for Master Class Plein Air Workshops, St Lawrence Wetlands Weekend

2022 Workshops, Yeppoon, Emerald, Moranbah as part of RADF funded project

2019 5th Lane Project, Mackay

2019 “Plastic Boutique” Mackay

2017 “*Paddles with Pizzazz”* Dragons Abreast, Mackay

2012 Tutor, Paxton’s Creative Space and Upstairs Gallery

2012 2011 Volunteer Mackay Art Space, Q.A.T.A. member

2010 Artist in Residence workshop for children – Gargett Gallery RADF funded

2010 Hays Inlet Festival, Pine Rivers, Qld.   
 2007 Workshop for children– Gargett Gallery

2005 Community Mural – Sunnybank, Brisbane

2000 Workshop for children’s mural - “Our Place”, Stafford, Brisbane

2000 Workshop for children’s workshop mural – Aspley State Primary School, Brisbane.

2000 Adult classes – Stafford, Brisbane

1999 Volunteer for Children’s Global Vision World Congress, International Society for Education through Art (InSEA)

1996 Mural for Arts Festival - Mackay City Library, Qld.

1994 - 1996 stage props, Murals and collaboration in commemoration of the “Year of Indigenous People- Slade Point Primary School, Mackay, Qld.

1995 Regional Rep - Flying Arts Inc

**Collections and Acquisitions**

The John Villiers Outback Prize, Winton

Confa Dental, Sarina

Mackay Port Authority

T.A.F.E. College Mackay

Mackay Art Society

Sarina Shire Council

The Daily Mercury - Mackay

Broken River Mountain Retreat

Private Collections

**Travels**

2021 Cape York

2019 Daintree

2018 Scotland, Ireland

2017 Outback Australia, East McDonald Ranges, Lake Eyre, Kings Canyon.

2016 France, Spain, Portugal

2014 France, Belgium, Paris, England, Wales

2012 Hinchinbrook Island, ThornsburneTrail

2007 Thailand

2006 Outback Australia, Canning Stock Route, Simpson Desert, Kimberleys

2005 China

1999 New Zealand, Solomon Islands.