



BILLY NYE

Visual Artist

I am a Melbourne-based artist, documenting Australian suburbia through my primary mediums of choice, painting, printmaking, and digital art. Every print is months of carving into a plate, printing and carving some more, creating a labor of love through detail. My paintings in either oil or acrylic are bright, bold, and colorful. All my works are explorations of my immediate surroundings, which is the Australian Suburbia, with a primary focus on the Australian backyard. Painting series titled: 'The Disappearance of the Australian Backyard', 'Backyard Swimming Pools', 'Subtracted Suburbia' and the iconic 'Olivers Hill'. Influences in my art practice are Howard Arkley, Jeffrey Smart, David Hockney and Reg Mombassa.

BACKGROUND

I began my creative career as a photographer working in London. After being accepted into the London University of Fine Art Photography, I instead went to New York and married. Whilst living in New York I joined the Hampton's Photography Group, New York, and began a photography business. In 2001 I moved back to Australia and in 2009 graduated with a Diploma of Visual Arts and completed a Workplace Training and Assessment Cert IV in 2010. In 2017 I graduated with a Bachelor of Arts (Fine Art and Visual Culture). I have a printmaking studio in my home on the Peninsula where I spend a great deal of my time. Exhibiting my work throughout the Mornington Peninsula and Melbourne, Australia.

EDUCATION

- BA IN FINE ART AND VISUAL CULTURE - CURTIN UNIVERSITY (2017)
- DIPLOMA OF VISUAL ARTS - CHISHOLM TAFE (2009)
- CERTIFICATE IV WORKPLACE TRAINING AND ASSESSMENT TAA (2010)
- WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK (02644755-01)
- PRINTMAKING TUTOR
PENINSULA PRINTMAKER STUDIO
DIRECTOR PENINSULA PRINTMAKERS
- INFLUENCER THE KANGA PRESS, AUST
- PENINSULA PRINTMAKER STUDIO

AWARDS, PUBLICATIONS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

- 2024 -Artist in Residence - Flinders College, Mornington Peninsula
- 2024- Public Collection Frankston City Council - Olivers Hill II - Linocut
- 2024 - FRANKSTON CITY COUNCIL ARTS GRANT 2024 - Group Show
Walking Through Frankston. (Billy Nye & the Peninsula Printmakers
- 2024 - SOLANDER GALLERY - New Zealand - Printmakers Respond: Whereabouts
- 2024 - ART GALLERY OF BALLARAT - Printmakers Respond
- 2024 - RONA GREEN PRINT EXCHANGE 2024 'WHEREABOUTS'
- 2024 - BEST OTHER MEDIA - Blairgowrie Yacht Squadron Easter Art Show
- 2023 - JUDGE AND GUEST SPEAKER - Southern Independent Schools art, Design and Technology
- 2023 - Artist in Residence - Balcombe Grammer, Mornington
- 2023 - BEST OTHER MEDIUM - Derinya Art & Craft art show
- 2023 - DELYS SARGEANT SENIOR ACHIEVER AWARD 2022/2023
- 2023 - BEST OTHER MEDIUM - Rotary Frankston Art Show 2023
- 2023 - BEST OTHER MEDIUM - ROTARY MORNINGTON ART SHOW
- 2022 - PENINSULA PRINTMAKERS STUDIO OPENED - Workshop Director
- 2022 - FRANKSTON SISTER CITY ARTIST - Susano, Japan; Wuxi, China; Suva, Fiji, Tenby Wales, and Frankston City.
- 2022 - Suny Brockport University, New York - Strained Separations, Reflections on a Pandemic- Permanent Collection Florida State University.
- 2022 - Aquire Art & Design Gallery, Seaford - Representation
- 2021 - Artist in Residence - Balcombe Grammer, Mornington
- 2021 - FINALIST- SBS Landscape Prize
- 2021 - Peninsula Bays Hospital - Feature Artist
- 2020 - Artist Benevolent Fund (NAVA) Recipient.
- 2020 - FEATURE ARTIST - (Derinya Art Show) canceled Covid 19
- 2020 - FINALIST - Ron Rado Memorial Acquisitive Prize
- 2020 - FINALIST - Queenscliff Literary Print Exchange 2020
- 2019 - BEST IN SHOW (under \$750) - SORRENTO ART SHOW
- 2019 - SECOND PRIZE - Landscape Cigar Box Exhibition, Oak Hill Gallery, Mornington
- 2019 - FINALIST - SBS Landscape Prize
- 2018 - SORRENTO 34TH ART SHOW - FEATURE ARTIST 2018
- 2018 - Western Port Craft Expo Printmaking Workshop tutor
- 2018 - Artist in Residence Manyung Gallery - On the Map
- 2018 - Artist in Residence Derinya Art and Craft Exhibition 2018
- 2018 - BEST MODERN - Derinya Art and Craft Exhibition 2018
- 2018 - FEATURE ARTIST - Mt Eliza North 40th Art Show
- 2017 - Solo Show, Oak Hill Gallery - Subtracted Suburbia
- 2017 - Bachelor of Art (Fine Art and Visual Culture) - Curtin University
- 2017 - Manyung Gallery Solo Exhibition - Australian Backyard Swimming Pools
- 2017 - Rona Green Print Exchange 2017 - Collingwood, Melbourne
- 2016 - BEST 30 x 30 - Derinya Art Show
- 2016 - Frankly Frankston Magazine - Sept 2016 -Shades of Suburbia
- 2015 - Annual Sorrento Continental Art Prize - Highly Commended
- 2014 - Cube 37, Frankston - Winner of "The Edge" aWARD
- 2013 - Mornington Rotary Art Show - High Commendation
- 2013 - BEST IN SHOW - Peninsula Art Show

AWARDS. PUBLICATIONS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

2013 - Commendation - Annual Printmaking Exhibition. Oak Hill Gallery
2013 - Flinders Art Show - "Poppy Award (Best Floral Work)"
2013 - Continental Hotel, Sorrento - Solo Printmaking Show
2013 - Making an Impression - Pearl Magazine Issue #15, publication
2012 - Mornington Rotary Art Show - "Best Other Medium"
2012 - Flinders Art Show - "Poppy Award (Best Floral Work)"
2012 - Pink Lady Art Exhibition, Brighton - Printmaking Award
2011 - Hertfordshire Chorus Poster & Artwork - the Barbican United, Kingdom,
"Brahms Ein Deutsches Requiem"
2010 - Printmaking Mornington Rotary Art Exhibition -Commendation
2010 - Featured In INSIDE SOLO Magazine Issue #18 & #21 Publication
2009 - Redbubble Feature on Drypoint Etching Publication
2009 - "SHE 2009", Walker Street Gallery Dandenong - Finalist
2008 - Curator Printmaking Exhibition Rotary Mornington
2008 - Artist Palette Mag. Issue #68. (Printmaking and Woodcut
Tutorial)
2008 - Chisholm, Frankston TAFE - "Printmaking Award"
2008 - Apartment Therapy's Melbourne-based Artists, Publication
2007 - Ron Rado Memorial Art Prize - Encouragement Award
2007 - FINALIST, Cube 37, 6th Degree ART PRIZE
2007 - Brunswick Street Gallery, Fitzroy, "Works on Paper" Finalist

- **Anything before 2007 has been deleted to keep on three pages.**