



wollumbin art award 2024

6 September – 24 November 2024



Tweed Regional Gallery wishes to Acknowledge the Ngandowal and Minyungbal speaking people of the Bundjalung country in particular the Goodjinburra, Tul-gi-gin and Moorung – Moobah clans as being the traditional owners and custodians of the land and waters within the Tweed Shire boundaries.

We also acknowledge and respect the Tweed Aboriginal community's right to speak for its Country and to care for its traditional Country in accordance with its lore, customs and traditions.

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The Wollumbin Art Award (WAA) is the Tweed Regional Gallery & Margaret Olley Art Centre's biennial \$30,000 award open to artists living in the Tweed, Ballina, Byron, Kyogle and Scenic Rim Shires, as well as Richmond Valley, Lismore and Gold Coast City local government areas. The Award takes its name from the spectacular view from the Gallery across the Tweed Valley to Wollumbin. The WAA celebrates the calibre and diversity of artists of our region. There is no theme and artists are invited to submit works in the medium of their choice.

The WAA \$15,000 First Prize also includes a two-week residency at the Nancy Fairfax Artist in Residence Studio at Tweed Regional Gallery & Margaret Olley Art Centre (TRGMOAC). The \$10,000 Bundjalung Award for First Nations artists includes a solo exhibition at the Gallery, and is sponsored by the Tweed Regional Gallery Foundation Ltd. The \$5,000 Emerging Artist Award is generously supported by Leanne & Greg Tong-Lyon.

We are grateful for this support, and for their ongoing investment in the future of the Award and artists of our region. I extend my congratulations to all of the artists who entered the Award and am thrilled for the Gallery to be a catalyst for creative art practice and a stage to share local talent with visitors from near and far.

I would like to thank the 2024 pre-selection panel which included guest judge, curator and Director of Hazelhurst Art Centre, Sebastian Goldspink; respected Local Elder Aunty Joyce Summers; and Tweed Regional Gallery Exhibitions Curator, Tina Wilson. Together we reviewed 461 entries and we are pleased to present 69 Finalists works for exhibition from Friday 6 September 2024.

I sincerely hope you enjoy this year's selection and we look forward to presenting this Award into the future.

Ingrid Hedgcock

Director

Tweed Regional Gallery & Margaret Olley Art Centre



2024 Judge: Sebastian Goldspink

Sebastian Goldspink is the Director of Hazelhurst Arts Centre. A proud descendant of the Burramattagal people of Western Sydney, Goldspink is an independent curator with international and domestic experience.

His extensive career includes founding artist-run space ALASKA Projects, curating the 2022 Adelaide Biennial of Australian Art, and professional appointments at the Museum of Contemporary Art, Art Month Sydney, National Art School and dLux Media Arts.



Meli Axford b.1969 Lives Bundjalung Country (Tweed Shire) Sibling Rivalry Revisited (After Helmut Newton) 2024 oil and acrylic on canvas 120 x 150 cm



Cheryl Bailey b.1959 Lives Bundjalung Country (Byron Shire) A Fig and a Single Glass of Champagne (detail) 2024 oil on canvas 40 x 30 cm



Elsie Biles b.2005 Lives Bundjalung Country (Tweed Shire) Look into my eyes (detail) 2024 mixed media on paper 59 x 42 cm



Stephen Bird b.1964 Lives Bundjalung Country (Byron Shire) Man with an abstract nose smelling a realistic flower (detail) 2024 oil on linen 97 x 137 cm Represented by Olsen Gallery

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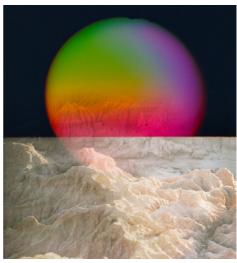
Fiona Blake b.1981 Lives Gold Coast City Walking back from Sing-sing (detail) 2024 acrylic on canvas 105 x 125 cm



Emily-Sarah Boldeman b.1973 Lives Bundjalung Country (Byron Shire) The Visit 2023 single channel video, 2 minutes



Chuck Bradley b.1959 Lives Bundjalung Country (Byron Shire) Dr. Tony Parkes OA (detail) 2024 digital print 100 x 66 cm



Monica Buscarino b.1979 Lives Bundjalung Country (Byron Shire) Abstract idea of you. I want to tell you something. Can I whisper it in your ear so that if you don't like it you can just pretend you couldn't hear me? (detail) 2023 photograph printed on silk mesh 150 x 105 cm



Lucia Canuto b.1990 Lives Bundjalung Country (Byron Shire) Embrace (detail) 2023 cyanotype and natural dye pigments on silk 148 x 105 cm



Kirsten Chambers b.1970 Lives Bundjalung Country (Byron Shire) The M.O. (detail) 2024 oil on polyester 121 x 121 cm Represented by Anthea Polson Art, Gold Coast



Aaron Chapman b.1990 Lives Bundjalung Country (Tweed Shire) Daughter & Moon Jelly (detail) 2023 digital print on aluminium, Perler beads 46 x 70 cm

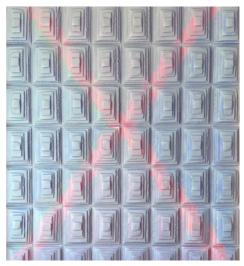


Nickolla Clark b.1999 (Arakwal Bundjalung) Lives Bundjalung Country (Byron Shire) Ngalawaa ma lee la Brunswick Balun (Gathering on Brunswick River) (detail) 2023 ochre (earth pigments) on canvas 124 x 124 cm

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Kane Corowa b.1989 (Minyangbal / Bundjalung) Lives Bundjalung Country (Tweed Shire) Creator (detail) 2024 acrylic on wood panel 50 x 40 cm



Colleen DaRosa b.1954 Lives Bundjalung Country (Byron Shire) Aurora Crux (detail) 2024 polymer paint under rag paper and mixed media 150 x 112 cm



Raimond de Weerdt b.1963 Lives Bundjalung Country (Lismore City) Address Unknown (detail) 2024 pigment ink-jet print 66 x 100 cm



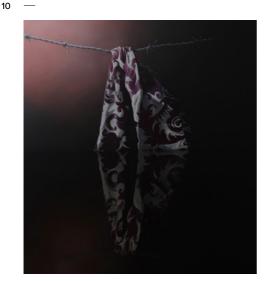
Lorraine Dean b.1971 Lives Bundjalung Country (Byron Shire) Bloom (detail) 2024 porcelain 30 x 65 x 20 cm



Elizabeth Dodds b.1988 Lives Gold Coast City Glazy Sundays (detail) 2024 oil on canvas 60 x 91 cm



Kathryn Dolby b.1989
Lives Bundjalung Country (Lismore City)
Hidden Landscapes (detail) 2024
acrylic on birch board
120 x 80 cm
Represented by Otomys Contemporary, Victoria and UK



Shannon Doyle b.1978 Lives Bundjalung Country (Tweed Shire) Tom (detail) 2023 acrylic on canvas 120 x 90 cm Represented by Lorraine Pilgrim Gallery



Lyle Duncan b.2000 Lives Gold Coast City Basking in the Glare of Fluorescent Light 2024 wax, acetate, light 19 x 101 cm



Kath Egan b.1972
Lives Bundjalung Country (Tweed Shire)
Contemplation changes everything 2024
found brass Addex figurine, crystal chandelier drops, vintage light
fitting with flocked timber wall brace, found silver chalice with lid
112 x 16 x 40 cm



Candice Elphick b.2003 (Wiradjuri/Bundjalung) Lives Bundjalung Country (Tweed Shire) The Tweed Bila/Balun (detail) 2024 acrylic on canvas 52 x 90 cm



Lives Gold Coast City

Assimilate (detail) 2024
textile banner made using up cycled wool theatre curtain, felt, upholstery, fringe and cotton thread
150 x 125 cm



Chris Fryer b.1973 Lives Bundjalung Country (Ballina Shire) Hoodwink 2024 leather, wax thread 17 x 21 x 31 cm



Isabell Heiss b.1981 Lives Bundjalung Country (Byron Shire) Lacuna. I'll meet you there 2024 single channel video, 3 mins 46 seconds



Justin Hunt b.1982 Lives Bundjalung Country (Tweed Shire) Only (detail) 2023 digital print on Canson Infinity Rag Photographique 87 x 60 cm



Cedar Jeffs b.1981 Lives Bundjalung Country (Byron Shire) Girl With Apple III (detail) 2024 oil on linen 101 x 75 cm



Nat Kafka b.1977 Lives Bundjalung Country (Byron Shire) Soft Dwelling (detail) 2024 acrylic and feldspar potash on board 122 x 94 cm



Jason King b.1981 (Bundjalung / Gumbayngirr)
Lives Bundjalung Country (Tweed Shire)
Gyyumbu/Buruugaa Budjaram (mullet season/Ocean Dreaming)
(detail) 2024
acrylic on canvas with natural jute twine
93 x 93 x 7 cm



Aria Kitchener b.2004 (Wiradjuri / Bundjalung) Lives Bundjalung Country (Tweed Shire) Born to revolt (detail) 2023 digital print 139 x 77 cm



Jenny Kitchener b.1955 Lives Bundjalung Country (Kyogle Shire) Falling (detail) 2024 folio of linocuts on paper 23 x 23 cm



Hannah Lange b.1990 (Wiradjuri) Lives Bundjalung Country (Tweed Shire) Weaving by the River (detail) 2024 acrylic on cotton canvas 122 x 101 cm



Corinne Lewis b.1974

Lives Bundjalung Country (Tweed Shire) Meg Walters In Her Studio With 'The Willow Weeps For No One' 2024

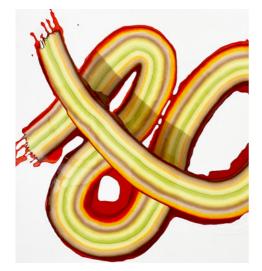
oil on linen, 135 x 115 cm

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Represented by Anthea Polson Art, Gold Coast, Manyung Gallery, Victoria, and Jackman Gallery, Melbourne



Julie Lipsett b.1966 Lives Bundjalung Country (Byron Shire) Ina's scales (detail) 2024 oil on board 35 x 40 cm



Tamara Mendels b.1982 Lives Bundjalung Country (Byron Shire) Multi-Pour Light With Shadow (detail) 2024 acrylic and epoxy resin on canvas 122 x 140 cm



Diana Miller b.1973 Lives Bundjalung Country (Byron Shire) The Edge of Reason (detail) 2024 acrylic on board 50 x 60 cm Represented by Curatorial+Co, Sydney



Naomi Moran b.1982 (Nyangbal, Arakwal (Bundjalung) and Dunghutti) Lives Bundjalung Country (Ballina Shire) Deep Sacred Connection (detail) 2024 digital print



Antoinette O'Brien b.1979 Lives Bundjalung Country (Lismore City) The World 2023 ceramic 65 x 23 x 23 cm



Judy Oakenfull b.1972 Lives Bundjalung Country (Tweed Shire) Coastcare (detail) 2023 oil on polycotton canvas 91 x 121 cm Represented by Anthea Polson Art, Gold Coast



Tracey Piccoli b.1970 (Galibul (Casino) Bundjalung) Lives Bundjalung Country (Richmond Valley) Bulngahn Yawen (Summer Sunset) (detail) 2024 acrylic on canvas 64 x 84 cm



Sabine Pick b.1964 Lives Bundjalung Country (Byron Shire) Lily (detail) 2023 paper collage 35 x 27.5 cm



Caitlin Reilly b.1967 Lives Bundjalung Country (Byron Shire) Empty Bed (detail) 2023 oil on linen 61 x 76 cm



Jacqueline Scotcher b.1985 and Dane Scotcher b.1980 Live Bundjalung County (Lismore City) Threshold 2024 single channel video projection, 2 mins (looped)



Kat Shapiro Wood b.1980
Lives Bundjalung Country (Byron Shire)
Untitled (the poet has made a trap for dreamers out of his poem.
As for me, I let myself be caught) (detail) 2024
encaustic and gouache on board, painted steel float frame
41 x 33 cm
Represented by Chalk Horse Gallery, Sydney

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Anne Smerdon b.1986 Lives Bundjalung Country (Tweed Shire) Poppy and Willow (detail) 2024 oil on canvas 130 x 100 cm Represented by Gallery One, Gold Coast



Lisa Sorbie Martin b.1965
Mua Island and Mer Island Torres Strait
Lives Gold Coast City
Honouring Ama (Mother) (detail) 2024
pigment ink, yarn fibre, handmade recycled paper,
Australian Swan River Daisy seeds
90 x 70 cm



Dave Sparkes b.1962 Lives Bundjalung Country (Byron Shire) Barrington Tops National Park (detail) 2024 watercolour and wax medium on paper 120 x 90 cm



Zen Staff b.1992 Lives Bundjalung Country (Byron Shire) Precipice (detail) 2024 timber, stone, steel, wood glue and polyurethane 64 x 30 x 25 cm



Araby Steen b.1980 Lives Bundjalung Country (Byron Shire) Sugar (detail) 2024 oil on aluminium composite 39 x 40 cm



Sam Steinhauer b.1992 Lives Bundjalung Country (Byron Shire) 1 litre mind palace (beagle as self) (detail) 2023 acrylic on linen 80 x 60 cm



John Stewart b. 1955 Lives Bundjalung Country (Byron Shire) Float 2024 ceramic, steel 50 x 60 x 30 cm



Michael Stiegler b.1982 Lives Gold Coast City The Met (detail) 2024 acrylic on canvas 122 x 91 cm



Mick Stovin b.1968 Lives Bundjalung Country (Byron Shire) Reflections of gilded wisdom (detail) 2024 acrylic on canvas 150 x 100 cm



Robyn Sweaney b.1957 Lives Bundjalung Country (Tweed Shire) Precious little (detail) 2024 acrylic on poly cotton 25 x 25 cm Represented by Arthouse Gallery, Sydney



Yasmina Tadic b.1990 (Arrernte) Lives Gold Coast City The more I pass through the land, the more I understand (detail) 2023 digital print on paper $42 \times 29.5 \text{ cm}$



Trish Tait b.1966 Lives Bundjalung Country (Ballina Shire) Beyond the Screen 2023 pencil on paper 40 x 40 cm

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Caitlin Turnbull b.1994 Lives Bundjalung Country (Lismore City) The chop (detail) 2024 oil on board 30 x 25 cm



Brad Turner b.1978 (Bundjalung) Lives Gold Coast City Tjuringa Talara (Seasons of Wisdom) (detail) 2024 acrylic on canvas 120 x 90 cm



Joshua Vogel b.1985 Lives Bundjalung Country (Byron Shire) On the inside there was an innate tenderness 2023 oil on poly cotton 90 x 80 cm



Dawn Walker b.1961 Lives Bundjalung Country (Tweed Shire) Bundaberg Souvenir (detail) 2024 oil on canvas 23 x 28 cm



Emma Walker b.1969 Lives Bundjalung Country (Byron Shire) Bloom 2024 acrylic, mixed media on marine ply 60 x 60 cm Represented by Arthouse Gallery, Sydney



Chelle Wallace b.1969 Lives Bundjalung Country (Tweed Shire) Remedies for Stifled Brilliance (detail) 2024 photographic digital print on paper 81 x 55 cm



Randolph Wallace b.1943 Lives Scenic Rim Behind the Scenic Rim (detail) 2022 paper, collage and acrylic on MDF board 80 x 70 cm



Amber Wallis b.1978
Lives Bundjalung Country (Byron Shire)
Red benevolent woman (detail) 2023
oil on canvas
115 x 97 cm
Jan Murphy Gallery, Brisbane and Nicholas Thompson Gallery,
Naarm / Melbourne



Rudiger Wasser b.1953 Bundjalung Country (Ballina Shire) Tyagarah after the fire (detail) 2023 digital print on clear aluminium 50 x 75 cm



Oksana Waterfall b.1964
Lives Bundjalung Country (Byron Shire)
Here and There 2023
vintage embroidery, embroidery thread, acrylic paint and
solar print in vintage sewing machine drawer
37 x 12 x 11 cm
Represented by Lorraine Pilgrim Gallery



Natalie Wilkin b.1981 Lives Bundjalung Country (Tweed Shire) Moon Pool No.3 2024 fine art print on stone 30 x 30 cm



Edward 'Jimmi' James Wright b.1982 Lives Bundjalung Country (Byron Shire) Undines Obscura (detail) 2023 digital print 120 x 160 cm



Karena Wynn-Moylan b.1953 Lives Bundjalung Country (Byron Shire) Understories: Camellias #2 (detail) 2022 transparent oil glazes on polycotton canvas 80 x 102 cm



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Amber Wallis b.1978 Lives Bundjalung Country (Byron Shire) Ivy With Eyes (detail) 2021 oil on linen 150 x 130 cm



2022 WAA Bundjalung Award

Michael Philp b.1966 (Bundjalung) Lives Bundjalung Country (Tweed Shire) Pearly Shells (detail) 2022 acrylic on canvas 91 x 122 cm



2022 WAA Emerging Artist

Mia Forrest b.1987 Lives Bundjalung Country (Byron Shire) Red Flowering Gum, in motion (detail) 2022 video

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