

GALLERY NEWS

AUTUMN 2021

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27 MARCH TO 9 MAY 2021

THE HISTORY OF THE BUILT WORLD

GOLLINGS



JOHN GOLLINGS *Nawarla Gabarnmang, Arnhem Land, Northern Territory* 2015, pigment ink-jet print, courtesy of the artist.

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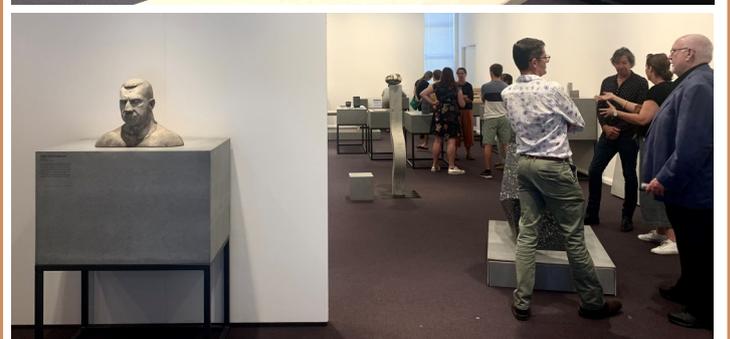
FROM THE GALLERY DIRECTOR

Hello and welcome to the Autumn 2021 edition of the Cowra Regional Art Gallery Newsletter. I'm pleased to report that the recent summer exhibitions and activities received over 2,000 visitors, with many visiting the Gallery and Cowra for the first time. These exhibitions included a selection of recent acquisitions from the Gallery collection, together with a survey exhibition featuring paintings, prints and artist's books by renowned artist Yvonne Boag (a previous winner of the Calleen Art Award). This exhibition was carefully curated by Akky van Ogtrop and included an outreach display of artist's books in the Cowra Library. Since early February 2021 the Gallery presented the outstanding touring exhibition *Concrete: art design architecture* exploring innovative ways that concrete is being used by 21 artists, designers and architects from across Australia. Other activities included summer workshops for children and adult workshops on concrete casting with Adelaide based artist Anna Horne. We also presented two curator/artist floor talk events which were recorded and are now available on the Gallery website. These activities have received over 4,000 online visitors to the Gallery website and 1,400 video views.

Commencing on 27 March the Gallery is presenting the exhibition *John Gollings: the history of the built world*. John Gollings is Australia's pre-eminent photographer of the built environment. For the past 50 years he has been synthesising his joint interests in photography and architecture to explore the cultural construction of social spaces. Including a selection of his well known documentation of new buildings and cityscapes, this outstanding survey of over 90 significant photographic images comprises a broader context also including projects concerned with architectural history and heritage. This touring exhibition is presented with the support of the Monash Gallery of Art. Images of the exhibition will be available on the Gallery website at a later date after the launch.

Until next time, Brian Langer, Gallery Director.

SUMMER PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



Top: Exhibiting artist, Yvonne Boag, in conversation with curator, Akky Ogtrop, at the opening and artist talk event for the Yvonne Boag survey exhibition: *Travelling, Leaving, Settling, Scotland, Korea, Australia: Paintings, Works on Paper and Artists Books*. **Second:** artworks from the January Aboriginal Inspired Fibre Weaving Workshop. **Third:** Council staff enjoying the *CONCRETE: art design architecture* exhibition during the February Muffin Morning Tea. **Bottom:** Guests in the gallery during the Curator Floor Talk with Margaret Hancock Davis for *CONCRETE: art design architecture*

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CONCRETE CASTING WORKSHOP WITH ANNA HORNE



On Saturday 13 March 2021 we had the delight of hosting South Australian artist, Anna Horne, for two special concrete casting workshops. Participants were led by Anna in making sculptures cast in concrete and plaster, utilising moulds made from unexpected everyday materials.

Anna Horne is a featured artist in the touring exhibition *CONCRETE: art design architecture*. Her artworks reference the domestic and architectural space by utilising both industrial and commonplace materials within the context of contemporary sculpture. She combines structural materials like concrete, floor vinyl and styrofoam with found objects such as beach balls, plastic bags and wine sacks to create sculptures exploring tension, contradiction and balance.

A huge thank you to Anna for her generosity in time and expertise, and thank you to all who participated.

For more information about upcoming workshops please visit our website www.cowraartgallery.com, follow us on Facebook and Twitter or subscribe to our mailing list.



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GALLERY WEBSITE

The Cowra Regional Art Gallery website contains up to date information on our exhibition program, public events and workshops, Gallery collection and conditions of entry. Online you'll also find exhibition walk-throughs and recordings of our opening, awards and floor talk events.

www.cowraartgallery.com.au

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CALLEEN ART AWARD 2021

\$25,000 Acquisitive Painting Prize

[In any style and subject]

ENTRIES CLOSE 19 JULY 2021

Enter online at cowraartgallery.com.au/calleen2021
or contact the Cowra Regional Art Gallery for an entry form

EXHIBITION OF FINALISTS: 2 October to 21 November 2021

AUTUMN/WINTER PROGRAM

27 MARCH TO 9 MAY 2021

John Gollings: the history of the built world



John Gollings is Australia's pre-eminent photographer of the built environment. This survey exhibition includes Gollings' documentation of new buildings and cityscapes alongside photographs of iconic modernist buildings, ancient sites of spiritual significance and the ruins of abandoned cities. A Monash Gallery of Art (MGA) travelling exhibition.

Image: John GOLLINGS, Bayon, **Angkor Thom, Cambodia** 2012, pigment ink-jet print, courtesy of the artist

20 MAY TO 12 JUNE 2021

Lachlan Valley Biennial Art Awards 2021



Presented by the Cowra Art Group Inc and hosted by the Cowra Regional Art Gallery, the Lachlan Valley Biennial Art Awards (LVBAA) are open to regional artists living within 100 kilometres from Cowra. The LVBAA is non-acquisitive and includes two dimensional artworks in any style of subject.

Image: Peter Larsen, *No matter how rough the sea keep rowing*, watercolour. Winner of the Watercolour, Pastel or Mixed Media Section 2019. Photograph: Gwen Clark.

20 JUNE TO 1 AUGUST



ARTEXPRESS 2021

ARTEXPRESS 2021 features a selection of outstanding student artworks developed for the art-making component of the HSC examination in Visual Arts in 2020 – a challenging year – and provides insight into students' creativity and the issues important to them.

Image: Summer Crealy, Nowra Anglican College, *The Nature of Grieving* (detail)

23 JUNE TO 24 JULY 2021



Operation Art

Operation Art is an initiative of the Children's Hospital at Westmead. This exhibition project of artworks by children in Kindergarten through to Year 10 from across NSW schools contributes to the wellbeing of sick children and their families by creating work which is uplifting and gives hope to those who spend much of their time at hospital. A Cowra Regional Art Gallery outreach project presented in the Cowra Library.

Image: Mackenzie Robertson, Portland Central School, *The happy picture*.



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Hours: Tuesday to Saturday 10am - 4pm. Sunday 2pm-4pm.

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