DEBORAH BONAR - ARTIST



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QUALIFICATIONS

- 2011 Professional Development Program, Revealed: I was selected for this program which provides professional development, mentorship, networking and exposure for emerging Aboriginal artists.
- 2009 Certificate III in Visual Arts & Contemporary Craft. Kidogo Art Institute, Fremantle.
- 1997 Diploma of Arts (Art and Design) Graphic Design. Central Metropolitan College of TAFE.
- 1993 Advanced Certificate of Art and Design. Midlands Regional College of TAFE.
- 1992 Certificate of Art and Design (Preliminary). Central Metropolitan College of TAFE.

PUBLIC ART COMMISSIONS

Healing and Wellbeing: Four large acrylic paintings titled Birth, Ageing, Strong Women and Bush Medicine.

Percent for Art Project for South Metropolitan Area Health Service. Unveiling February 7.

Living Waters: Large internal glass wall and ceiling artwork for two airlock entries to Cockburn Integrated Health Facility (cnr Wentworth Parade and Beeliar Drive, Success). Collaboration with Wendy Hayden and Joanna Robertson.

- Beeliar Boodjar: An installation of seven contemporary Aboriginal artworks reproduced on glass around the Port Coogee estate (Lucretia Circle and Huntress Avenue) for Australand. Collaboration with Wendy Hayden and Joanna Robertson. Unveiling November 6.
- 2012 Munday Wall: 1.5 x 1.2m contemporary Aboriginal acrylic painting reproduced as a 72 square metres glass mural on the façade of Cooling Brothers, High Wycombe. Collaboration with Wendy Hayden and Joanna Robertson. Unveiling February 8.
- 2010-2014 Welcome to Country: 3.7 x 2.7m ochre painting and additional Aboriginal artwork reproduced on 16m glass entry at Fiona Stanley Hospital (Murdoch Drive, Murdoch). Percent for Art Project. Collaboration with Wendy Hayden, Ella Taylor and Joanna Robertson.

AWARDS

- Winner City of Belmont Art and Photographic Awards (Perth Airport Prize for Aboriginal Art) for 'Down To Earth'
- Winner Cossack Art Award (WA Indigenous Artist category) for 'Cyclone Season'
 Highly Commended City of Belmont Art and Photographic Awards for 'Sugarbird Lady'

CORPORATE COLLECTIONS

City of Belmont; City of Kwinana; Tabec; Hanssen Pty; RV Sport; Hawaiian; KPMG; Celebrate WA; City of South Perth; Reconciliation WA; ATCO Australia; icea foundation; Credit Suisse; Tranox; Exxaro; City of Perth; ESS/NYFL

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2014 November December. '*Prismatic*', Moores Building Contemporary Art Gallery, Fremantle WA. Artist Talk to Colour Society members.
- 2010 January. 'Vibrant', Kidogo Arthouse Gallery, Fremantle WA. Artist Talk.

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2015 July. 'Ngatha ni2', Joondalup Art Gallery, Joondalup WA. Invited artist.
- July. Yey Susurrus, Joondalup Art Gallery, Joondalup WA. Invited artist. Also presented an Artist Talk and was invited to officially open the exhibition.
 - July. Cossack Art Awards. Invited artist.
- 2013 July August. 'Third Space', Mundaring Arts Centre, Mundaring WA. Curator and invited artist.
 - March. '50 Years: Council House', City of Perth Council House, Perth WA. Invited artist.

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- 2012 July. NAIDOC Aboriginal Art Exhibition. Perth International Airport. Invited artist.
 - June. Nomad Two Worlds. 'Creative Journeys: A Celebration of Diversity', Carillon Centre, Perth.
- 2011 December January. 'Two Way', Kidogo Arthouse Gallery, Fremantle WA. Invited artist.

October – November. Nomad Two Worlds. 'Portrait of Diversity', Northbridge WA. Collaborative exhibition for CHOGM.

June – July. 'Land and Inspiration', Wyndham Art Gallery, Wyndham WA. Exhibited with 3 artists.

- 2010 November. 'Wardarnji Art Exhibition', Fremantle Arts Centre. Invited artist.
- 2009 June July. Moorditj Mob. Student Art Exhibition. Kidogo Arthouse Gallery, Fremantle.
- August. 'Telstra National Aboriginal &Torres Strait Islander Art Award'. Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory, Darwin NT. An exhibition showcasing the very best Australian Indigenous Art.

RESIDENCIES AND ART WORKSHOPS

June 29, City of Kwinana. NAIDOC Activities. Artist in Residence. Conducted an interactive art workshop to create a 1 x 2 metres community canvas with the local community outside Darius Wells Library Centre.

June 24 to 26, City of Joondalup. NAIDOC Activities. Artist in Residence. South Padbury and Springfield Primary Schools, and St Marks Anglican Community School. Conducted a series of Artist Talks and interactive art workshops.

June 15 & 16, City of Joondalup. NAIDOC Activities. Artist in Residence. Beldon Primary School. Conducted a series of Artist Talks and interactive art workshops to create a 1 x 3 metres community canvas with the students and staff.

January, RVSport: Friendship Games 2015. Conducted a series of interactive art workshops over four days to create two 1 x 1.5 metres community canvases with students, athletes and staff at HBF Stadium, Claremont.

November 23, Hawaiian: Bassendean Shopping Centre Launch. Conducted an interactive art workshop to create a 2 x 1.5 metres community canvas with the local community.

November 5, KPMG. 'Best of the West'. Conducted an interactive art workshop to create 1 x 1.5 meters community canvas at Frasers Restaurant, Kings Park.

June 2, Nomad Two Worlds. 'Celebrate WA Day: Come Out & Play'. Conducted an art workshop and created a large community canvas outside the Art Gallery of WA.

May 26, Reconciliation WA. Sorry Day. Created a 1 x 3 metres community canvas at Wellington Square, Perth.

May 8, Holy Spirit Primary School. Artist in Residence. Conducted an Artist Talk and three art workshops for year 4, 5 & 6 students.

March 16, City of South Perth Fiesta 2014. Conducted an interactive art workshop and created a 1 x 3 metres community canvas with the local community at Waterford Plaza.

December 1, Reconciliation WA. 'Journey to Recognition'. Conducted an art workshop to create a 1 x 3 metres community canvas at Cottesloe Beach.

November 30, City of Canning. 'Blessing of the River'. Conducted two art workshops with the local community.

September, Lockridge Primary School. Artist in Residence. Conducted an art workshop to create a 1 x 3 metres community canvas with the students and staff.

September 12, Corporate Art Workshop for ATCO Australia. Collaboration with Nomad Two Worlds at Linton and Kay Gallery, Perth.

September 7, icea foundation. 'Waves: icea Classic Program'. Created a 1 x 3 metres community canvas at Cottesloe Beach.

September 6, Kidogo Art Institute. Youth Leadership Program. Two art workshops with Year 10 students.

July – August, Mundaring Arts Centre. NAIDOC Activities. Artist in Residence. Conducted two art workshops for primary school students.

June 3, Nomad Two Worlds: 'Celebrate WA Day Art Workshop'. Created a large community canvas outside the Art Gallery of WA.

May, Kulbardi Aboriginal Centre, Murdoch University. Two hour art workshop with K-Track Science students.

July, Mundaring Arts Centre. NAIDOC Activities, Conducted art workshops for primary school students.

June 20, Kidogo Art Institute. Corporate Art Workshop. Created a 12 metre Aboriginal painting with 78 Chevron staff and 6 other artists.

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- 2012 June 7, Landcorp. Aboriginal Art and Culture Talk. Delivered a PowerPoint presentation.
- October, 'CHOGM Youth Delegates Workshop'. Produced 3 paintings with CHOGM youth delegates at Kidogo Arthouse Gallery.

October 9, Colour Society WA. PowerPoint Presentation: 'Colours from the Kimberley' followed by a workshop 'Painting with Ochres'

June – July, Wyndham Art Gallery. Artist in Residence. Conducted art workshops for children at primary, pre-primary and high schools in Wyndham, and art workshops for adults at the Wyndham Prison Camp and the Ngnowar Aerwah Rehabilitation Centre.

CONFERENCE AND FORUM PRESENTATIONS

- April. Revealed: Professional Development Program Presented a slide show titled 'Public Art: Connecting People To Places'.
- October. Colour Society of Australia: National Conference Space, Time & Colour. Presented a slide show titled 'Scribblebark: Aboriginal Art Practice in the 21st Century'.

August. The Western Australian Association of Teacher Assistants (WAATA) Conference – Delivered a PowerPoint presentation titled 'The Complexity of Aboriginal Art Practice in the 21st Century', followed by an interactive painting workshop.

- 2013 October. Artsource 6 x 6 Art Forum: Presentation on Art Practice Kwinana
- 2012 October. Artsource 6 x 6 Art Forum: Presentation on Public Art Mandurah
- June 14. Colour Society WA, Colour Day. Delivered a PowerPoint presentation titled, 'The messages or "language" of colour in Australian Indigenous culture'.
- August 25. Blend(er) Gallery, Joondalup. Delivered a PowerPoint presentation on Aboriginal art symbolism and the personal stories behind my work titled, 'The story behind the paintings'.

JUDGING ART COMPETITIONS

- 2014 October, City of South Perth: Emerging Artist Award. Member of the judging panel.
- 2012 May, Aboriginal Hostels Ltd, Canberra. *Tackling Indigenous Smoking Program*: Logo Competition. Member of the judging panel.

MEMBERSHIPS

- 2009 The Colour Society of WA
- 2006 Artsource
- 2005 Joondalup Community Arts Association