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Education

2009-10 Bureau of Ideas and Symbiotica seminars attended in Perth, WA.

2009 UWA, Crawley, WA - 'Art Forensic'; Facial Reconstruction Lab.

2007 Manchester Metropolitan University, UK - MA module: 'Art Education 7-11.'

2005 Salford University, UK - MA Art in Context module.

2003 'Arts Train' - 'Artist in the Community' course.

1993-95 Wimbledon School of Art and Bath College of Art - BA(Hons) Fine Art (Painting).

1992 Swindon College of Art - BTEC Art Foundation (passed with distinction)

2013 - present Member of Blender Studios, Melbourne, Australia.

1997 - 2007 Member of Rogue Artist Studios, Manchester, UK.

Artwork in public and private collections internationally.

Selected Exhibitions & Awards

Nov-Dec 2019 'Futures' – curated group show at HYPERcontemporary, Preston, Victoria.

June 2018 'Construction Lines II – Shifting Perspective' – solo installation exhibition at Memphis Gardens Project Space, Collingwood, Melbourne

Jan-Feb 2018 'Process Development Site' – solo exhibition at Tidal Space, Docklands, Melbourne.

Mar 2017 'Lousy Ink' - group show at BSIDE Gallery, Fitzroy.

Sept-Oct 2016 'Construction Lines -enter at your own risk!'- solo exhibition at Dark Horse Experiment, Melbourne.

Sept 2015 'Inflection'- architectural journal feature exhibition – Dulux Gallery, The University of Melbourne, Carlton.

Aug-Sept 2015 'Urban Materiality' – curated group show – Brunswick St. Gallery, Fitzroy.**Mar-July**

2014 'When Street and Art Collide'- Joint Curator/ Exhibitor - group show by Blender Studios Artists at Shoalhaven Gallery, Nowra, NSW.

Feb 2014 Knowles Gallery, Melbourne - group exhibition.

2013-2020 Annual Blender Studios group shows – Dark Horse Experiment, Melbourne.

Nov 2013 'The Unfinished Article' - a state of permanent transience' - solo exhibition at fortyfive downstairs Gallery, Melbourne - sponsorship by 'SMLXL'.

July 2013 'Likeness 3 - the process of portrayal' - Curator/ Exhibitor - group exhibition at 69 Smith Street Gallery, Fitzroy

Dec 2012-Jan 2013 '40 x 40' Art Prize exhibition – Brunswick St. Gallery, Fitzroy.

Nov-Dec 2012 'The Secret Life of Space'- 69 Smith St Art Prize 2012 - 'Honorable Mention.'

Aug-Sept 2012 'Likeness 2' - group exhibition at 69 Smith Street Gallery, Fitzroy.

May 2012 'Art Melbourne 2012' - START exhibitor.

May 2011 'Art Melbourne 11' - represented by 'Interactive Arts'.

Dec 2010 'Bliss'- group exhibition at Claremont Art Framers, WA.

Sept 2010 'Inside Outside'- group exhibition, UWA University Club, WA.

Aug 2010 'Feature Artist' at Hyatt Regency Hotel, Perth - event arranged by PropertyOz.

April 2006 'Sideshow'- group exhibition in Nottingham, UK – selected show relating to exhibitions during the 'British Art Show 2006' throughout the UK.

Mar 2006 Group exhibition at Chorlton Mill, Manchester for the launch of 'smallpond.com.'

Dec 2005-Feb 2006 'Collective' – site-specific group exhibition and event, with associated workshops with local youth groups, at Wellington Mill, Manchester, UK - sponsored by Levis.

Oct 2003 'Fundamentalism'-Group show at Urbis, Manchester, UK.

May-July 2003 Joint Organiser of an 'International Artist-led Curatorial Project' for 'Manchester in St.Petersburg Week', with 'Arts Council' and 'City of Manchester' funding, leading to an exhibition with associated talks in St. Petersburg, Russia.

June 2001 'Stung' at DADI, Manchester - group exhibition - visual artwork, poetry, music.

April-June 2001 'NOIZ', Zion Centre, Manchester – curator Yuen Fong Ling (Castlefield Gallery)

Aug-Sept 1999 'Reality Fragments' - solo exhibition at Gen X, Manchester- Comme Ca PR.

May-Aug 1999 'Beneath the Surface' - solo exhibition at Sandbar, Manchester.

Sept 1998 'Layers on Layers' - solo exhibition at Balearica, Manchester.

1997-2007 Annual Open Studio events at Rogue Artists Studios, Manchester, UK.

Residencies & Commissions

June 2018-2021 'The Process of Development'- architectural artwork commission for 'Brookfield' at 405 Bourke St. development in Melbourne CBD.

Sept 2017 Artwork commission for 'Amazon', to be exhibited in Las Vegas

July 2016 'Urban Space Project' lightbox commission for Qualitas office at 101 Collins St, Melbourne.

June-Sept 2010 'Artist in Residence' at Parmelia House, Perth, WA, through 'Interactive Arts', sponsored by 'Hawaiian'- artwork donated for auction, and workshop (prize) given at Balcatta High School, WA.

Jan-June 2010 'Artist in Residence' (Studio Artist) at Fremantle Arts Centre, WA, sponsored by Jacksons Art Supplies Pty Ltd, leading to an installation piece and a public event to discuss the drawing process with artist and curator, Consuelo Cavaniglia.

Sept 2006-Feb 2007 'Artist in School' at Sacred Heart R.C, Primary School – developing art projects in relation to the school curriculum.

Sept-Nov 2003 'Artist in Residence' at Ashton-u-Lyne Sixth Form College, Lancs, UK, working with AVCE and A'level students and producing 2 large commissioned paintings.

Jan 2003 'Artist in Residence' at Moston Lane Primary School, Manchester, UK, working with curriculum-based ideas.

Aug-Sept 2002 Public Art 'recycling project' commission with Black Labrador, Manchester.

Publications & Illustration

Nov 2015 'Inflection' architectural journal feature – The University of Melbourne.

June-Oct 2012 'The Sketchbook Project: Limited Edition', Brooklyn Art Library, New York.

April 2008 Granada Television, Manchester, UK – artworks leased for televised productions.

Feb 2007 'Bread for the Seven Sleepers' book cover illustration.

Mar 2005 'True North' book cover illustration.

June 2002 Commissioned illustrations for 'Dreamscheme' training manual.

Workshops & Talks

May 2014 Tours of Blender Studios, Melbourne, for Immanuel College, Adelaide, and RMIT students.

Sept 2010 Workshop at Balcatta High School, Perth, WA.

Mar 2010 Event/ Talk during residency at Fremantle Arts Centre, WA.

July 2007 St. Bernard's R.C. School, Manchester, UK - curriculum-based workshops.

Aug 2005 Edgehill Youth Centre, Liverpool, UK - workshops.

Nov 2004 Manchester Art Gallery, Manchester, UK - 'The Gallery Cat'.

July 2004 'Under our Streets'- Lead Artist (Creative Partnerships, Royal Exchange Theatre.)

April-June 2004 'Surestart' at Fulmead Family Centre, Manchester.

Mar 2004 'Around the World' project at Moston Lane Primary School, Manchester.

Aug 2003 Workshops at Youth Centres in Liverpool, UK for MPAC.

July 2003 CAPE collaborative art project- Burnage High School, Manchester, UK.

Feb-April 2003 Workshops at Bronte and Edgehill Youth Centres, Liverpool, UK.

July-Aug 2002 Salford Art Gallery - workshops.

May 2002 'The Big Picture' project for the 'Dreamscheme' summer conference.

Jan 2002 Kirkby Art Gallery - workshops.