

JAMES DRINKWATER

Born in 1983
Lives and works in Newcastle, Australia

SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2025 *Anchored by the Sun*, Nanda\Hobbs, Sydney, Australia
Kick Hard off the Ocean Floor, Edwina Corlette Gallery, Australia

2024 *Somewhere Between the Sea and the Table*, Vigo Gallery, Wellington Arch, London

2023 *American Salt - Montauk to the Bowery*, Nanda/Hobbs, Sydney
At Mid Career, Survey Exhibition, The Drill Hall Gallery, Australian National University, Canberra
Dobell's storm, an exhibition of Sets, Costumes and media from the ballet, MAC Museum, Lake Macquarie

2022 *Passage*, Survey Exhibition, NCCA Northern Centre for Contemporary Art, Darwin
You could just make a painting and write it all in there, Edwina Corlette, Brisbane
Sand drawings and other tropes, Nicholas Thompson Gallery, Melbourne
Tesoro Mio, Nanda/Hobbs, Sydney
The Boxer, round 2 / Old photos make me cry, Newcastle University Gallery, Newcastle

2021 *I love you so much I can't stop saying goodbye*, Nicholas Thompson Gallery, Melbourne
The Boxer/When I was younger I said my prayers, Nanda/Hobbs, Sydney

2020 *I love you more than paintings*, Nicholas Thompson Gallery, Melbourne
A day by the sea, Informality - Henley on Thames, Oxfordshire, UK
I love you to pieces then back together again, Nanda/Hobbs, Sydney Contemporary
The Sea Calls Me by Name, 10 year survey, Newcastle Art Gallery

2018 *Looking for Urchins and Louis Ferrari*, Nanda/Hobbs, Sydney
In the Halls of my Youth, The LockUp, Newcastle
Rungli Rungliot, Australian High Commission, Singapore

2016 *An entire life, from the interior*, NKN Gallery, Melbourne
We are clumsy now on this Southern Beach, New works from the South of France, Nanda\Hobbs, Sydney

2015 *Every Pigeon in Paris became a Dove*, New work from Paris, Peta O'Brien Contemporary Art, London
In the Arms of Moreton Figs, Gallery 9, Sydney

2014 *The boy cried STORM!!!* NKN Gallery, Melbourne
The boy and the ballet, Damien Minton Gallery, Sydney

2012 *The Ocean Parade*, Damien Minton Gallery, Sydney
Home Stretch, Cooks Hill Galleries, Newcastle

2011 *Nostalgia for Nothing*, Damien Minton Gallery, Sydney

2010 *Brooding Town*, Iain Dawson Gallery, Sydney
Postage Paid Australia, Berlin, Cooks Hill Galleries, Newcastle

2009 *Poor Boy*, Fortyfive Downstairs, Melbourne

2004 *New Paintings*, Maunsell Wickes, Sydney
Vintage, Damien Minton Gallery, Newcastle

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2025 *Stab a Painting with a Sculpture*, Braddon Snape Collaboration, Straightjacket Artspace, Newcastle, NSW

2024 *Armory Show*, New York. Vigo Gallery (London, UK)
Rue de Fleurus, George Benias Gallery, Athens, Greece
A Dream about a Horse, Vigo Gallery, London, UK
Mastering Disorder, Cadet Capela, Paris, France
In the Parlour Room, Lottie and James, Turn, New York

2023 *Untitled* Miami, Vigo Gallery, (London UK)

2022 *Singing in unison* - Curated by Phong H. Bui and Cal McKeever. Brooklyn, New York.

2019 *Post cards from twin peaks*, Paul Ryan and James Drinkwater

2018 *Black Diamond Money*, Byron School of Arts
Couplings, Dominik Mersch Gallery, Sydney
Sweetness of The New, The Yellow House Gallery , curated by Stepping into Tomorrow

2017 *Works on paper*, Beers Gallery London

2014 *Into Abstraction II*, Macquarie University Gallery
2013 *Paperweight*, Newcastle Art Gallery
2013 *Marked*, Cessnock Regional Art Gallery
2012 *Young Collectors*, John Buckley Gallery Melbourne
2012 *Traces*, Leipzig Art Fair, Germany
2010 *The Great Australian Landscape*, Tim Olsen Gallery
2010 *A Perfect Day to Chase Tornados (White)*, Berlin

COLLECTIONS

Art Gallery of New South Wales
Bendigo Art Gallery
Newcastle Art Gallery
MRAG
Artbank
HOТА Gold
Coast
Macquarie Bank
Macquarie University
Monash University
Schnable Collection New York
Allens Law Firm
University of Newcastle
Warner Music Australia

COMMISSIONS / COLLABORATIVE WORKS

2022 Storm approaching Wangi - and other desires. A new ballet. Lake Mac Arts Pavilion MAP MIMA
2016 Walking With Giants - Monash University sculpture, Clayton campus, Melbourne
2017 Alpha60 x James Drinkwater, Capsule Collection

RESIDENCIES

2023 DESA, Ubud, Indonesia
2018 Newington Boys College, Artist in residence
2017 Tahiti (self directed)
2015 Brett Whiteley travelling scholarship, Cité International des Arts Paris
2014 HMRI Artist in resident
2013 Lake Macquarie City Gallery, in conjunction with Christo: John Kaldor Family collection artist rooms
2012 Titjikala Art Centre NT (National art School)
Freestone print studio, Gippsland, Victoria
Familia Moja Children's Home, Mangu, Kenya
2011 Leipzig International Art Programme (LIA), Leipzig, Germany

AWARDS

2025 Mosman Art Prize [finalist]
2018 Kilgour Art Prize [finalist]
John Glover Art Prize [finalist]
Wynne Prize [finalist]
2017 John Glover Art Prize [finalist]
Wynne Prize [finalist]
Paddington Art Prize [finalist]
2016 Paddington Art Prize [finalist]
Sulman [finalist]
2015 Wynne [finalist]
2014 Paddington Art Prize [finalist]
Brett Whiteley traveling scholarship [winner]
Wynne [finalist]

King School prize [finalist]
Newcastle University Prize [finalist]

2013 Doug Moran portrait prize [semi-finalist]
Brett Whiteley traveling scholarship [finalist, highly commended]

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Brett Whiteley traveling scholarship [finalist]

2011 Dobell drawing Prize [finalist]
Brett Whiteley traveling scholarship [finalist, highly commended]
Marten Bequest traveling scholarship [winner]
Salon Des Refuses [finalist]

2002 John Olsen National Art School Life Drawing Prize [winner]