

JOANNA GAMBOTTO is a Sydney-based painter, known for her courageous and expressive brushstrokes of dreamscapes, still lifes and interior scenes. Gambotto swoops you into lively spaces that clutter mundane imagery of personal relics and places visited.

Interacting with the traditions of interiors, her rooms become discombobulated with a saturation of personal symbolism to the point of absurdity. Her painting style cannot be constricted, rather it is inherent with abstract expressionist, pop art and surrealism. Vivid, slippery and animated mysteries are where Gambotto cleverly contorts the boundaries between reality experienced and the unrestricted imagination. Her deft compositions and layered paintings allow for a precarious, haphazard quality that provides a seriously amusing and entertaining perspective on the humble interior.

EDUCATION

2010–13 – Bachelor of Fine Arts, National Art School, Sydney

AWARDS

- 2021 Dobell Drawing Prize #22, People's Choice Award
- 2016 Northbridge Art Prize – winner
- 2014 Clyde & Co Community Art Award – winner
- 2013 Hornsby Art Prize – winner
- 2010 Northbridge Art Prize for works on paper

SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2020 Interior Worlds: Hill End, Manly Art Gallery and Museum
- 2018 Everyday Mix-Ups, Thienny Lee Gallery, Edgecliff
- 2017 Tracing Space, Australia Square, Sydney CBD
- 2016 Interiors, Janet Clayton Gallery, Paddington
- 2015 Junk Yard, Gaffa, Sydney CBD
- 2015 27.05.15, Home @ 735, Redfern
- 2015 ORIENTed – collection of works from residency in Penang, Georgetown, Malaysia
- 2014 Finders Keepers, The Art Space on The Concourse, Chatswood

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2021 Paddington Art Prize, finalist
- 2021 Naked & Nude Art Prize, Manning Regional Art Gallery
- 2021 Dobell Drawing Prize #22, National Art School, Darlinghurst, winner of People's Choice Award
- 2020 Calleen Art Award, Cowra Regional Art Gallery
- 2020 Jacaranda Acquisitive Drawing Award, Grafton Regional Gallery
- 2020 Michael Reid Studio Direct Showcase, Michael Reid Gallery, Surry Hills
- 2020 Muswellbrook Art Prize, Muswellbrook Regional Arts Centre, finalist
- 2019 In My Backyard, Rochfort Gallery, North Sydney
- 2019 Home Affairs, Manly Art Gallery and Museum
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- 2019 Land Rhythms, Rochfort Gallery, North Sydney
- 2017 Calleen Art Award, Cowra Regional Gallery, finalist
- 2017 Muswellbrook Art Prize, Muswellbrook Regional Arts Centre, finalist
- 2016 Northbridge Art Prize, winner
- 2015 Calleen Art Award, Cowra Regional Gallery, finalist
- 2015 Hunters Hills Art Prize, finalist
- 2014 Saatchi & Saatchi Exhibition Award
- 2014 Clyde & Co Art Award, winner
- 2013 Hornsby Art Prize, winner
- 2013 Mosman Art Prize, finalist
- 2013 Lloyd Rees Memorial Youth Art Award
- 2013 Waverley Art Prize, finalist
- 2013 North Sydney Art Prize, finalist
- 2011 Lloyds Rees Memorial Youth Art Award, finalist

COLLECTIONS

Bathurst Regional Art Gallery

Sydney Children's Hospital, Randwick

PROFESSIONAL

2019 Hill End Artists in Residence program

2016/17 Artist-in-Residence program, Curwoods Lawyers, Sydney CBD

2014/15 – Residency in Penang, Malaysia

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