

Peter Griffen Bio

BORN: 1948 Adelaide, SA

QUALIFICATIONS:

1986 City Art Institute, NSW, Australia, Dip. Post. Grad. Studies
1983-85 City Art Institute, NSW, Australia, B.A. (Vis.)
1972 Sturt C.A.E., SA, Australia, Advanced Dip. T (Maths, Art)
1966-69 Sturt C.A.E., SA, Australia, Dip. T (Maths, Geog. Biol)
2014 Member of Australian Watercolour Institute

PROFESSIONAL

1972-80 Painting in Adelaide
1980 to present, Painting in Sydney

2022,21,20,19,18,17,16,15,14,13 Chairman, Glebe Art Show, NSW, Australia
2021,Tutor 2-day workshop, Willoughby Art Centre, NSW, Australia
2021,20 Tutor 2-day workshop, studio, Leichhardt, NSW, Australia
2021 Tutor 3-day workshop, Hastings Valley Art Society, NSW, Australia
2020 Tutor 2-day workshop, Rosby Estate, NSW, Australia
2020,16,15,12,10, 09, 07, 06, 05 Tutor five-day workshop, The Artists' Society of Canberra, ACT, Australia
2019,18,17,16,15,14,13,12,11,10,09,08 Tutor 3-day studio workshops with Art Gallery NSW Society
2019,18,14 Tutor workshop, Tiarua, NZ
2019,18,17,16,15 Tutor 7-day workshop Arkaroola, SA, Australia
2019 Tutor 3-day workshop, Royal Art Society, NSW, Australia
2019 Tutor 2-day workshop Artest, NSW, Australia
2019 Tutor 2-day workshop BDAS, Bowral, NSW, Australia
2017 Tutor 2-day workshop, Canberra Art Workshops, Canberra, ACT, Australia
2017 Opened exhibition, Barry Canham, Shop Front Gallery, Glebe, NSW, Australia
2019,17 Tutor 2-day workshops, Brisbane Painting Classes, Brisbane, Qld, Australia
2019,17,15 Tutor 6 day workshop, Olhao, Portugal
2018,17,16,15 Tutor 5-day workshop University of Southern Queensland, Australia
2017 Tutor two 2-day workshops, Noosa, Qld, Australia
2018,17,16,14,13,12,11,10, 09, 08 Tutor two-day workshop, Carcoar, NSW
2019,18,17 Tutor 1-day workshop, Derivan, Rhodes, NSW, Australia
2017 Tutor 2-day workshop, Victor Harbor, SA, Australia
2017 Demonstration, Art Shed, Brisbane, Qld, Australia
2017 Tutor 6-day workshop, Grampians Brushes, Halls Gap, Vic, Australia
2016 Opened Combined Art Societies of Sydney annual exhibition and Guest Artist, NSW, Australia
2017,16,15 Teaching painting, term course, Art Est, Sydney, Australia
2016,06 Tutor two-day workshop, Kiama Art Society, NSW
2016 Studio visit by Kuringai Art Society
2016,17 Sawtel Art Society, 2-day workshop, Sawtel, NSW, Australia
2014,13 Tutor 4-day workshop, University Southern Qld, Toowoomba, Qld, Australia
2014,12 Tutor two-day workshop, Queanbeyan Artists Society, NSW, Australia
2014 Opened exhibition, Kristine Ballard, CK Gallery, Newtown, NSW, Australia

2013 Three week *en plein air* painting trip, Flinders Ranges, SA, Australia
2012 Opened exhibition by Jan Cristaudo, Painters Gallery, NSW, Australia
2012 Tutor workshops at Auckland, Katikati, Whangamatta and Tiarua, NZ
2013,12,11 Tutor 3-day workshop, Haddon Rig, NSW, Australia
2012,10, 08, 07, 06, 03, 01, 99, 97, 95, 93, 92, 91, 90 Painted in Europe and/or USA
2011,10, 09, 08, 07, 06 Tutor five-day workshop, Cairns Art Society, Qld
2011 Tutor 4-day workshop, University of Southern Queensland, Harvey Bay, Qld, Australia
2010, 09 Tutor two-day workshop Art Gallery of SA, SA, Australia
2010 Guest speaker, opening of graduating students exhibition, Hornsby TAFE, NSW
2010,08 Tutor ten-day workshop, Cottanello, Italy
2010 Tutor one-day workshop Campbelltown Arts Centre
2010 Guest speaker, Kurringai Art Society
2010,09 Tutor three workshops, Tairua, NZ
2010 Tutor one-day workshop Kurringai Art Society
2010,08 Tutor two-day workshop, Mackay, Qld, Australia
2009 Tutor 2 two-day workshops, Fielding, NZ 2/6
2009 Opened exhibition, Rosalie Rigby and Robyn Jackson, Glebe, NSW
2009, 08, 07 Tutor three-day workshop, Willunga, SA
2009 Tutor five day workshop, Birdsville, Qld
2009 Tutor two day workshop, Campbelltown Arts Centre, NSW
2009,07, 05, 04, 02 Tutor six-day workshop, Artsfest, Grafton, NSW
2008 Guest artist, Portrait Society annual exhibition, Arthouse Hotel, Sydney, NSW
2008 Tutor two-day workshop, Brisbane, Qld, Australia
2008 Tutor two-day workshop, Batemans Bay, NSW
2007,06, 05 Tutor three-day workshop, Byron Bay, NSW
2007 Painting demo, Oatley 101 Society of Artists, NSW
2007, 06(2), 04, 03(2), 02, 01(2) Tutor 5-day workshops, Mitchell School of Creative Arts, Charles Sturt Uni, NSW
2006 Opened exhibition, Graham Cossey, Aquarelle Gallery, NSW
2006 Speaker, Opening, Blake Prize Exceptions Exhibition, Chase Gallery, NSW
2006 Tutor two-day workshop, Albury Art Society, NSW
2006 Artist talk, Royal Art Society NSW
2006 Tutor six-day workshop, Oakey Art Society, Lake Perseverance, Qld
2006 Opened exhibition, Rosalie Rigby, Gig Gallery, Sydney, NSW
2006 Opened group exhibition, Gallery NTK, NSW
2005,04 Tutor four-day workshop, Whangerai, NZ
2005,04 Tutor three-day workshops, Clifton, Qld (two workshops in 2004)
2004 Opened exhibition, Mary Ann Parry, Washhouse Gallery, Sydney, NSW
2004 Tutor four-day workshop, Bermagui, NSW
2004 Tutor two-week workshop, Uni of Southern Queensland, Qld
2004 Tutor ten-day workshop, Yepoon, Qld
2003 Opened Exhibition, Glenda Carter, Casula Powerhouse, Sydney, NSW
2003, 02 Tutor two-day workshops, Willandra Art Society, NSW
2002 Tutor five-day workshop, Camp Creative, Katoomba, NSW
2001 Tutor weekend workshop, abstract art, Willandra, NSW
2001 Tutor two-day workshop, Blackheath, NSW
2001 Tutor two-day workshop, Parkes, NSW

2001 to present, Tutor regular own Studio Weekend Workshops
1999 Opened exhibition, Stephanie Jakovac, ABC Centre, Ultimo, NSW
1997 Guest Artist, St Michaels College Art Exhibition, Adelaide, SA
1989 Guest lecturer, Painting Techniques, Hornsby TAFE, NSW
1984 Guest lecturer, Painting Techniques, Penrith TAFE, NSW
1984 Guest lecturer, Painting Techniques, Werrington TAFE, NSW
1982-88 Secondary School Teaching (casual, part time) - Art, Maths, Science, Sydney, NSW, Australia
1980 Traveled Europe,(3 months)
1977-80 Owner and Director, Flight Art Gallery, Adelaide, SA
1973-80 Secondary Teaching, Maths & Geography, Adelaide, SA
1970-71 National Service, Australia

Recent SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2018 "Outback", Soho Galleries, Sydney, Australia
2018 Chatswood Foyer exhibition, Soho Galleries, NSW, Australia
2016 "Landscape, My Perspective" The Design Gallery, Terrigal, NSW
2015 "Life on Earth", Chifley Tower, (Soho Galleries), Sydney, Australia
2014 Cessnock Regional Gallery, Cessnock, NSW, Australia, Touring exhibition
2014 Painters Gallery, Manly, NSW, Australia
2013 Orange Regional Art Gallery, Orange, NSW, Australia, Touring exhibition
2012 NERAM, Armidale, NSW, Australia, Touring exhibition
2012 Coffs Harbour Regional Gallery, NSW, Australia, Touring exhibition
2012 Wagner Art Gallery book launch, "In and Out of Abstraction", Sydney, Australia
2012 Painters Gallery, Sydney, NSW, Australia
2011, 04 98, 95, 94, 91 Solander Gallery, Canberra, ACT, Aust
2009, 05, 03, 02, 01 Wagner Art Gallery, Sydney, NSW, Aust
2008, 05 Gadfly Gallery, Perth, WA, Aust
2007 Greenhill Galleries (Hilton Hotel), Adelaide, SA
2007 Nepean College of TAFE , NSW
2006 Art Feeling, Lyon, France
2006 Chase Tribal and Contemporary Art, Sydney, NSW, Aust
2005 Gadfly Gallery (Perth Concert Hall), WA, Aust
2005 Bruce Macfie Gallery of Fine Art, Gold Coast, Qld
2005 Reybourn House, Whangarei, NZ
2003 Macquarie University, (Survey exhibition), NSW,
2003 Australian Embassy, Paris, France
2003, 01, 99, 97, 95 James Colman, London, UK
2003, 01 Australian Film Festival, St Tropez , France
2003, 02 Dagmar Art Gallery, Melbourne, Victoria, Aust
2002, 93, 88 Greenhill Galleries, Adelaide, SA, Aust
2001 Bimbadgen Estate, Hunter Valley, NSW, Aust
1999, 96, 94 Qantas Domestic Terminal, NSW, Aust
1997, 98 North Sydney Fine Art Gallery, NSW, Aust
1997 Quadrivium, Sydney, NSW, Aust
1996 The Oven, New York, NY, USA

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1991, 93, 95 Gallerie Etienne de Causans, Paris, France
1995 Espace Alliance, Sydney, NSW, Aust
1995 Araluen Arts Centre, Alice Springs, NT, Aust
1995 Andrew Vincent Galleries, Brisbane, QLD, Aust
1995, 96 Convent Gallery, Daylesford, Vic, Aust
1993 Breewood Galleries, Katoomba, NSW, Aust
1994, 93, 92 Sydney Oyster Bar, Sydney, NSW, Aust
1994, 92 Mary Reiby Gallery, Sydney, NSW, Aust
1990 Orange Regional Gallery (West Room), Orange, NSW, Aust
1993, 91, 89 Holdsworth Galleries, Sydney, NSW, Aust
1987 Holdsworth Contemporary Galleries, Sydney, NSW, Aust
1986 First Impression Fine Art Gallery, Sydney, NSW, Aust
1986, 85 Nicholson Street Gallery, Sydney, NSW, Aust
1979, 78 Flight Art Gallery, Adelaide, SA, Aust
1975 Vargas Gallery, Adelaide, SA, Aust

COLLECTIONS

James Colman, Norwich, UK
Gallerie Weinberger, Copenhagen, Denmark
Orange Regional Gallery, NSW, Australia
Coffs Harbour Regional Gallery, NSW, Australia
Nance and Associates, Los Angeles, USA
Massachusetts Education Dept., Massachusetts, USA
New England Regional Art Museum, NSW, Australia
Muswellbrook Regional Art Centre, NSW, Australia
Price Waterhouse, Sydney, NSW
Hyatt Coolum, Qld
Westpac, Sydney, NSW
Giant Resources, Sydney, NSW
Malleon Stephen, Jaques, NSW, QLD
Potter Partners, Sydney, NSW
Regent, Sydney, NSW
Park Royal, Sydney, NSW
Park Lane, NSW, Hong Kong
Sydney City Council, NSW
Boulderstone-Hornibrook, NSW
NSW Treasury Corporation, Sydney, NSW
Trinity Grammer, Sydney, NSW
Meridan School, Sydney, NSW
Department of Transport, Canberra, ACT
Crown Casino, Melbourne, VIC
Qantas, NSW, QLD & New Zealand
Macquarie University, NSW
Professor D. Yerbury, Sydney, NSW
Lois Going, NZ
Private collections: Australia, Europe, USA, Asia, New Zealand



REPRESENTED

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Brenda Colahan Fine Art Sydney
Soho Galleries, Sydney, NSW, Australia
Linton and Kaye, Perth, Australia
Dagmar Cyrulla, agent, Melbourne, Australia

Recent GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2022 Imagination and Abstraction, Royal Art Society of NSW, guest artist, NSW, Australia
2021 Response to Landscape - Peter Griffen and Denise Lithgow at Brenda Colahan Fine Art 7-21 Oct
2021,20,19,17 "Gang of Five", Bowral, NSW, Australia
2021 Sculpture exhibition, Audrey Fine Art, Sydney, NSW, Australia
2021 Arkaroola Art Adventures, Fleurieu Arthouse, McLaren Vale, SA, Australia
2021 Bowral Sculpture Prize, NSW, Australia
2020 Gang of Five, Shop Gallery, Glebe, NSW, Australia
2020 Sculpture in the Garden, Rosby Estate, NSW, Australia
2019 "Abstracts from the Lowlands and Down Under" 4-person, Buren, Netherlands
2019 "Group Abstract Exhibition", SoHo Galleries, NSW, Australia
2019 "Responses to the Landscape" 2-person, Leichhardt Library, NSW, Australia
2019 "Wandering West" 2 person, The Design Gallery, Terrigal, NSW, Australia
2019,18,17,16,15,14 Annual Australian Watercolour Institute exhibition, NSW, Australia
2019 Design Gallery, 2-person, Terrigal, NSW, Australia
2019,18,17,16,15,14,13,12,11,10 Glebe Art Show, NSW, Australia
2018,17,16,15,12,07,92,91,90,89,83 Fisher's Ghost Art Prize, Campbelltown, NSW, Australia
2018 4-person Chateau de Gizeux, Loire Valley, France
2018 "Earth Poetry", Red Poles Gallery, McLaren Vale, SA, Australia
2018,11,1997, 92, 84 Hunters Hill Art Prize (finalist), Sydney, NSW
2018,17 Dunedoo Art Prize, NSW, Australia
2017 Kiama Art Society, guest artist, NSW, Australia
2017,13,11,05,97,95,93,91 Muswellbrook Art Prize, Muswellbrook, NSW
2017 Eutick Memorial Still Life Award, Wollongong, NSW, Australia
2017 Hornsby Art Prize, Hornsby Regional Gallery, NSW, Australia
2016 Guest artist Canberra Artists Society Spring Exhibition, Canberra, ACT, Australia
2016 "Hunters and Gatherers", Red Poles Gallery, McLaren Vale, SA, Australia
2016 2-person with Denise Lithgow, Pandora Gallery, Coolah, NSW, Australia
2015 2-person exhibition (with Denise Lithgow), "Coastal Watch", Curve Gallery, Newcastle, Australia
2015 2-person, (with Denise Lithgow), "The Two of Us", Breathing Colours, Sydney, Australia
2015,12, 09, 08, 07 Eutick Memorial Still Life Award, Coffs Harbour, NSW
2014 "Flowers, Figures and Felted Vessels", two person (with Denise Lithgow), Painters Gallery, NSW, Australia
2014 Collectors Choice, Artsite Gallery, NSW, Australia
2013 Wagner Art Gallery, NSW, Australia, Drawing: A Fundamental Liberation 3
2013 Walking the Landscape, four person, Artsite Gallery, Sydney, NSW, Australia
2012, 02 Dobell Drawing Prize, Art Gallery of NSW, Australia
2012 2-person (with Bernard Ferriere) Galleri Art Feeling, Millau, France



2012, Figurative Difference, 2-person, (with Dagmar Cyrulla), Muswellbrook Regional Gallery, NSW, Australia
2012, 2-person, (with Denise Lithgow), Grenfell Art Gallery, NSW, Australia
2017,16,15,14,13,12,11,10, 09,08,07,06 Glebe Art Prize, NSW
2011, 89 Sulman Prize AGNSW, Sydney, NSW, Australia
2010, 97, 96 Tattersalls Club Art Prize, Invitation, Brisbane, Qld
2010 Art Melbourne 10, May Street Studios
2010, 06, 05 Art Sydney 10
2010 Chilli Rooms (two exhibitions), Sydney, NSW, Australia
2008 Blake Prize(traveling), NSW, Australia
2006 Art Melbourne 06 Icon Gallery(self and African tribal art)
2005 Icon Gallery, Sydney, NSW, "Parallel Stories"
2005,04 03 Taylor Gallery, Sydney, NSW
2004, 02 Fleurieu Peninsula Art Prize, McLaren Vale, SA
2004, 00, 99, 89, 88 Mosman Art Prize, Sydney, NSW
2003 Art e Nim, Nimes, France, Galerie Art Feeling Millau, France
2003 Gold Gallery, Edinburgh, Scotland
2003 Galeri Aniela, Kangaroo Valley, NSW (3 Person)
2003 Tamworth City Gallery, Tamworth, NSW, "Double Vision"
2003, 02 Wagner Art Gallery, NSW, Summer Exhibition
2003, 02, 96, 95, 94, 93, 92, 91 Delmar Gallery, Sydney, NSW 5/6
2002 Grafton Regional Gallery, NSW, Artsfest Tutors
2002-1992 (continuos) Qantas Club, Sydney Domestic Terminal, NSW
2001 Wagner Art Gallery, NSW, Collectors' Choice
2001 Toronto Art Fair, Toronto, Canada
2001 Wagner Art Gallery, Hong Kong
2000-01 Messagers de la Terre, France & Belgium
2000 Sir Hermann Black Sculpture & Art Gal, Sydney, NSW
1997 Singapore Art Exp., Singapore
1996 Ward-Nasse Gallery, New York, NY, USA
1996 Werrington TAFE, Sydney, NSW 1996
ART, Islington (James Colman Gallery), UK
1996, 95 British Art Fair (James Colman Gallery), London, UK
1995, 91 LineArt Ghent Art Fair, Belgium
1994 Alice Prize, Alice Springs, NT
1994 Jill Richards Gallery, Sydney, NSW (2 person)
1994 Gallery on Booth, Sydney, NSW
1994, 93, 92 Von Bertouch Galleries, Newcastle, NSW
1991 John Olsen Drawing Prize, Bathurst, NSW (Finalist)
1991, 88 Faber-Castell Drawing Prize (finalist), Sydney, NSW
1991 "Sydney and the Fringes", Invitation, Holdsworth Gallery, NSW
1990 Biennale Internationale du Pastel, St. Quentin, France
1990 "Visual Instincts", Curated drawing, University of NSW
1990 Australian Contemporary Art Fair (Holdsworth Gallery), Melbourne, Vic
1990 University of Vermont, USA

1990, 89, 88 North Sydney Contemporary Gallery, Sydney, NSW
1989 Sulman Prize (finalist) Art Gallery of NSW
1988 City of Lake Macquarie-Charlestown Shopping Square, Contemporary Art Prize, Invitation, NSW

1988, 87 Cooper Gallery, Sydney, NSW
1987 Stadford Gallery, Sydney, NSW
1986 N.B. Gallery, Sydney, NSW
1986 Nidus Gallery, Sydney, NSW
1986, 85 Ivan Dougherty Gallery, Sydney, NSW
1986, 85 Arthaus, Sydney, NSW
1981 Ebert & Boussage Gallery, Sydney, NSW
1979 Contemporary Art Society of S A, Adelaide, SA
1972 David Sumner Gallery, Adelaide, SA

COMMISSIONS

2018 Sam Noakes, NSW, Australia
2016 *Client of Soho Galleries*, NSW, Australia
2005 Simon Parry-Okeden, NSW
2004 Keaman Constructions, Public Art, Sydney, NSW
2003 Frank Howarth, Sydney, NSW
2002 The Good Guys, Melbourne, Victoria
2000 Resmed, Sydney, NSW
1998 Geelong Private Hospital, Geelong, Vic
1998 National Capital Private Hospital, Canberra, ACT
1997 Imperial Hotel, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
1997, 92 Diamond Press, Sydney, NSW
1996 Capital Plaza, Sydney NSW
1994 Optus Communications, Sydney NSW
1993 Merck, Sharpe & Dohme, Sydney, NSW
1992 Dr Joe and Billy-Jean Scoppa, Sydney, NSW
1992 Canberra Casino, Canberra, ACT
1992 Capital Park Royal, Canberra, ACT
1992 Park Lane, Sydney,
NSW
1991 Century Radison Hotel, Sydney, NSW
1991 Paul Ramsey Private Hospitals, Sydney, NSW
1988 Hyatt Hotel, Adelaide, SA

PUBLICATIONS

Australian Artist, May 14, Oct 13, Apr 10, Oct 04, Jul 04, Oct 04, Jan 00, Aug 95, Apr 95, Jul 94, Jul 93
Look, Art Gallery Society of NSW, Jill Sykes, Feb 2012
Artist's Palette, June 2012
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In and Out of Abstraction, Peter Griffen, book published by la Fabrique, 2011
Canberra Times, 2011
Sydney Town Hall, Margaret Betteridge, Council of the City of Sydney 08
Independent Weekly, SA, Adam Dutkiewicz, 4 Sep 07

Herald Sun, Vic, Jeff Makin, 18 Mar. 2002
The Qantas Club (& Flight Deck) Win 01, Aut 01, Spr 99, Jul 98, Mar 94
International Artist Issue No. 1 July 98
Craft Art International, Issue No. 4 Oct. 98
Canberra Times, Sasha Grishin , 1Nov.05, 18Nov.98, 21Jul.95, 18Jun.94, Aug.91
Who's Who of Australian Visual Artists, Thorpe, 1995
Alice Springs News, Kieran Finnane 28 June 95
Centralian Advocate, Dorothy Grimm, 16 June 95
Encyclopedia of Australian Art, Susan McCulloch, Allen & Unwin 1994
Sydney Morning Herald, Bronwyn Watson 30 July 93
Weekend Australian, Elwyn Lynn 17 July 93, 13 July 91, 27 June 87
Artists and Galleries of Australia, Vol. 1, Max Germaine, Craftsman House
Antipode, Australia- France Association, Paris, France 1997
Artvoice Vol. 1, Dec 94

PRIZES

2019 Textures of One Colourist Prize, Blayney, NSW, Australia
2011 Muswellbrook Open Art Prize Section B works on paper NSW, Australia
2003 Blackfriars Trust Acquisitions Award, Cootamundra, NSW, Australia

Represented as a finalist in several art prizes, see "Group Exhibitions"

2020,19,18 Judge Waverly-Woollahra 9x5 prize, NSW, Australia
2018 Judge, Ryde Art Prize, NSW, Australia
2013 Judge, Waverley-Woollahra Art Prize, NSW, Australia
2014 Judge, Ku-Ring-Gai Art Society Prize, NSW, Australia
2014 Judge, Bloomin' Arts, Leichhardt Council, NSW, Australia
2016 Judge, Royal Art Society of NSW Autumn Exhibition, Sydney, Australia
2016 Judge, Hawkesbury Show Art Show, NSW, Australia
2018 Judge, Tumut Art Prize, NSW, Australia
2018 Judge, Camden Art Prize, NSW, Australia

MEDIA

TV Chanel 44, "Our Time" interview with Janice Baker, May 2013
ABC TV and Radio Interview, Armidale, 2012 (Traveling exhibition)
ABC TV Landline segment, "Desert Dauber" 2009
ABC TV 7.30 Report, re the new Glebe Island Bridge 1996
5AA Radio, Adelaide, SA Interview with Mark Aiston, 4 Jan 2011
2RRR Radio, Sydney, Interview with Maggy Mason, Australia, 13 Oct 2015
Various other radio interviews