

Patrick Blake



Patrick Blake began formal art studies while still at school, attending Bissietta's Art School in Sydney. Afterwards he attended the National Art School East Sydney, where he was awarded a Student Scholarship, graduating with a Diploma of Fine Art and receiving the Readers Digest Drawing Prize.

For five years from 1969 Blake travelled extensively through Asia and Europe before settling in London, where he studied leadlight and stained glass at the City Literary Institute, and lithography, etching and screen printing at the Chelsea College of Art. In 1972 Blake held a solo exhibition of paintings and prints at 'The Room' gallery in Greenwich.

On returning to Australia in 1974, Blake joined the teaching staff of the National Art School within the Sydney Institute of Technology. In 1996 he became Head of the Fine Art Department at the National Art School. He exhibited in staff exhibitions held within the Institute over the more than 20 years he worked there and remained active in painting, drawing, sculpture, printmaking and design.

For a period Blake ran private painting and drawing classes from his studio. He has also taught painting and drawing part-time at the University Of New South Wales College Of Fine Art and at the Royal Art Society of NSW.

Patrick Blake has a studio in Glebe and is a busy practising artist. He has fulfilled several portrait commissions in Sydney and London, and has exhibited at the Artarmon Galleries, the Cell Block (National Art School), Woolloomooloo Gallery, Trinity Delmar and the Gosford Art Show and exhibits regularly at the Glebe Art Show and at other exhibition spaces in Glebe. In 2005 was awarded the Open Art Prize for his painting '*Jeux d'Enfant*' and in 2013 he was awarded the Prize for Works on Paper for '*Sudden Gust*'.

Solo & Group Exhibitions

1960s National Art School Student Travelling Exhibition

1972 'The Room' gallery, Greenwich, London

1980-1990s

'Cell Block' National Art School

Woolloomooloo Gallery

Trinity Delmar

Gosford Art Show

1994 Artarmon Galleries

2000s Glebe Art Show

2003 Artarmon Galleries *'Art & Theatre'*

2005 Artarmon Galleries *'50 years with Artarmon Galleries'*

2005 Artarmon Galleries *'Tribute to David Strachan (1919-1970)'*

2005 Glebe Art Show Open Art Prize *'Jeux d'Enfants'*

2006 Bodalla Gallery

2007 Bodalla Gallery

2011 Artarmon Galleries

2012 Artarmon Galleries

2013 Stanley Street Gallery

Gallery Red

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