

William Breen

Lives and works in Melbourne, Australia

TRAINING

1992 Graduated Victorian College of the Arts, Bachelor of Fine Arts

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2025 Split Point, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
2023 Doughnut Time, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
2021 New Paintings, Flinders Lane Gallery Online, Melbourne, VIC
2020 Wet Paint, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
2018 Skye Road, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
2017 After the Storm, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
2016 Land of Sun-shine, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
2014 Delicious, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
2012 Made With Love, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
2011 Hot Bargain & Milk, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
2010 New Works, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
2009 New Paintings, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
2008 Sarah Roney Gallery, Sydney, NSW
2007 Faster Pussycat, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
2006 Sarah Roney Gallery, Sydney, NSW
2005 Solo Exhibition, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
2003 Solo Exhibition, The Church Gallery, Claremont, WA
2003 Solo Exhibition, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
2002 Solo Exhibition, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
2001 Solo Exhibition, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
1998 Solo Exhibition, Pinacotheca Gallery, Richmond, VIC

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2024 HORIZONS, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
2024 Low Tides, RACV City Club Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
2023 Romancing the Streetscape, Town Hall Gallery, Hawthorn, VIC
2022 Wanderlust, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
2021 The Big Tree And Other Landscapes, Deakin University, Melbourne, VIC
2019 30 x 30, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
2018 Coastal, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
2016 Coastal, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
2014 25th Anniversary Exhibition, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
2014 Melbourne Art Fair, Royal Exhibition Building, Carlton, VIC
2014 The Portrait Show, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
2013 Coastal, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
2012 Time, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
2010 The View From Here V, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
2009 The View From Here IV, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
2009 Treasures, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
2009 20 Plus: The Sum of Us, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
2008 Here & Now, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
2008 The View From Here III, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
2007 The View From Here II, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
2006 The View From Here, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
2005 Tattersalls Art Prize Exhibition, Brisbane, QLD
2001 Exploration 2, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne, VIC

1996 Group Exhibition, Stripp Gallery, Fitzroy, Melbourne, VIC

PRIZES AND AWARDS

2024 Finalist, John Leslie Art Prize
2018 Finalist, John Leslie Art Prize
2015 Finalist, Arthur Guy Memorial Painting Prize
2014 Finalist, Tattersalls Art Prize
2013 Finalist, Tattersalls Art Prize
2011 Finalist, Tattersalls Art Prize
2010 Finalist, John Leslie Art Prize
2010 Finalist, Nillumbik Art Prize
2006 Finalist, Fleurieu Peninsula Art Prize
2006 Finalist, Geelong Art Prize
2006 Finalist, Wynne Landscape Prize, AGNSW
2002 Invited to participate in the Church Gallery Art Angels Incorporated 2003
2000 Nominated by the Australia Council for the Arts for the register of artists for the Historic Memorials Committee
2001 Finalist, Conrad Jupiter Art Prize, Goldcoast City Art Gallery, Qld
2001 Finalist, Brett Whitely Scholarship
2000 Finalist, Doug Moran National Portrait Prize
1998 Finalist, Doug Moran National Portrait Prize
1992 Winner, Christopher James Blyth Memorial Prize

PUBLICATIONS

2023 The Big Book of Little Art Essays, Flinders Lane Gallery
2014 William Breen, Artist Profile Magazine, Issue 27
2012 Nelson, R. Spraying the Facade, The Age, 7 November 2012, p 15
2012 Coote, Maree, The Art of Being Melbourne, Melbourne Style Books, pp198-200
2011 Gregg, Simon, New Romantics, Darkness and Light in Australian Art, Australian Scholarly Publishing, p135, 161-162, 165
2011 Coslovich, G, Stirring a Sleeping Beauty, The Saturday Age, 15 October 2011, p 24
2011 Rule, Dan, Around the Galleries, A2 Saturday October 9
2011 Grishin, Sasha, Painter of Light, Australian Art Review issue 26, pp 66- 68
2011 Lam, Lee Tran, Inside Out magazine blog November 2011
2010 Rule, Dan, Around the Galleries, A2 Saturday October 9
2010 Art Korea Magazine, November, pp 114 - 115
2010 Stevens, A, & Rainforth, D., Painting, The Age, 28 September 2010, p 15
2008 Crawford, Ashley, Here and Now, FLG exhibition catalogue, pp 4-9

COLLECTIONS

Artbank, Bendigo Art Gallery, City of Perth, City of Whitehorse, Deakin University, Gippsland Art Gallery, La Trobe University, Loyola College, Macquarie Group Collection, Melbourne University Collection, National Australia Bank, RACV, The Australia Club, Victoria State Library Permanent Collection, corporate and private art collections in Australia, United States, United Kingdom.