

LINTON & KAY GALLERIES

Brendon Darby

Born 21 April 1952, Perth Western Australia

Studies

1968-69 Perth Technical College
1970-77 Professional musician

In 2007 Brendon was invited to exhibit at New York's American Museum of Natural History as part of G'Day USA. This was the premiere presentation of his ten year long project *Listening to Paintings – Australia*. The multi media event involved Brendon's live musical presentation, film & 10 major paintings describing the Australian landscape. The night raised over one million dollars for the Australian environment. It was then presented in Houston, as part of Australia Day celebrations.

Solo Exhibitions

1978 Rigby Gallery, Perth WA
1979 *Way '79 Celebration Invitation*, Allendale Square, Perth WA
1980 Signature Galleries, Perth WA
1981 Congress Hall, Tyrol Austria
1984 Alexander Galleries, Perth WA
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1986 Ric's Gallery, Perth WA
1987 Galleria Studio del Canova, Rome Italy
1987 Gallery Australia, Perth WA
1988 *Framed*, The Showcase Gallery, Darwin N.T.
1988 Gallery Australia, Perth WA
1989 *Framed*, The Showcase Gallery, Darwin NT
1989 Gallery Australia, Perth WA
1990 *Listening to Paintings – Kakadu*, Gallery Australia, Perth WA
1990 Park Road Gallery, Brisbane Qld
1991 *Framed*, The Showcase Gallery, Darwin NT
1991 Park Road Gallery, Brisbane Qld
1992 *Bloody Tourists*, Perth Galleries, Perth WA
1993 *Consuming Paintings*, Stafford Studios, Perth WA
1995 Stafford Studios, Perth WA
1995 *Framed*, The Darwin Gallery, Darwin NT
1996 Barry Newton Gallery, Adelaide SA (with Garry Duncan)
1996 Editions Gallery, Melbourne VIC
1996 *From The Nannup Studio*, Stafford Studios, Perth WA
1997 Michael Commerford Gallery, Sydney NSW
1998 Barry Newton Gallery, Adelaide SA
1999 Framed - The Darwin Gallery, Darwin NT
1999 Michael Commerford Gallery, Sydney NSW
2000 Margaret River Art Galleries WA
2000 *A Progress Report*, Stafford Studios, Perth WA
2000 *Jewels of the Landscape*, Michael Commerford Gallery, Sydney NSW
2001 *Ilma*, Stafford Studios, Perth WA
2002 *Ilma 2*, Michael Commerford Gallery, Sydney NSW
2003 *This Summer*, Stafford Studios, Perth WA
2003 *Mitchell Falls*, Michael Commerford Gallery NSW
2004 *2 Rivers*, Stafford Studios, Perth WA
2005 *The Hawkesbury*, Michael Commerford Gallery, NSW
2007 *Listening to Paintings – Australia*, Museum of Natural History, New York

2007	<i>Listening to Paintings – Australia</i> , Heritage Hall, JP Morgan Chase Bank, Houston, USA
2007	<i>Listening to the Land</i> , Booker Lowe Gallery, Houston USA
2008	<i>Two Journeys</i> Linton & Kay Fine Art Gallery, Subiaco
2009	<i>BD 09</i> Linton & Kay Fine Art, Subiaco,WA
2010	<i>Window to New York</i> Linton & Kay Fine Art, Subiaco,WA
2011	<i>Brooklyn to Brooklyn</i> Trevor Victor Harvey Gallery, Sydney NSW
2012	<i>City H2012</i> Linton & Kay Fine Art Gallery, Subiaco,WA
2013	<i>Wet Paint</i> Trevor Victor Harvey Gallery, Sydney NSW
2013	<i>River</i> Linton and Kay Galleries, Perth WA
2014	<i>Karijini</i> Linton and Kay Galleries, Perth WA
2015	<i>Hawkesbury Winter</i> Trevor Victor Harvey Gallery, Sydney NSW
2015	<i>Sunshower</i> Linton and Kay Galleries, Perth WA
2017	<i>Wet Windows</i> Grantfield Gallery, Tuscany Italy
2017	<i>Veils of Rome</i> Harvey Galleries, Sydney NSW
2017	<i>Duet</i> Linton and Kay Galleries, Perth WA
2018	<i>Coastlines and Train Lines</i> Linton and Kay Galleries, Perth WA
2019	<i>Water Works</i> Harvey Galleries, Seaforth, Sydney NSW
2020	<i>Avairy – Take Your Time</i> Linton and Kay Galleries, Perth WA
2022	<i>A Kimberley Journey</i> Linton and Kay Galleries, Perth WA

Selected Joint Exhibitions

1979	<i>Fine Artists of Western Australia</i> , Hong Kong Arts Centre, Hong Kong
1988	<i>Alice Bale Art Award Exhibition</i> , McClelland Gallery, VIC
1990	<i>Human Rights Exhibition</i> , Amnesty International, Darwin NT
1991	<i>James Hardie Wildlife Art Prize</i> , Touring Exhibition, Australia
1992	<i>One Hundred Years of Gold Mining</i> , Perth Mint WA
1993	<i>The Best Of Australia</i> , Australian Showroom, Hong Kong
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1996	China Art Expo, Beijing
1998	Royal Agricultural Society - Winner Open Art Award
2001	Archibald Portrait Prize - Finalist, Art Gallery of NSW
2004	Cossack Art Award. Winner – Invited Artists
2004	Salon des Refuses, National Trust S.H. Ervin Gallery NSW, (Portrait of Kim Beazley)
2012	<i>About This Place</i> , The Holmes a Court Gallery at Vasse Felix, Cowaramup,WA
2015	<i>Deloitte Spring Rose Art Exhibition</i> – Featured artist (Capel Vale Wines Award)
2016	Grantfield Design Studios & Gallery of Fine Art, Anghiari, Tuscany, Italy
2016	<i>Perth Portrait Prize</i> – Finalist. Art Gallery of WA.
2020	Plein Air Down Under- Winner Professional Category presented by City of Mandurah
2021	West Society of the Arts, 125th Anniversary Exhibition “Best in Show” Award
2021	Plein Air Down Under – Winner Professional Category, presented by the City of Mandurah

Portrait Commissions

Include chairmen of the Perth Building Society and the Freemen of the City of Stirling, ECU Vice Chancellor Kerry Cox (2014). The Yandicoogina Commission - In August 1998 Hamersley Iron Pty Ltd announced the commissioning of a collection of paintings to commemorate the opening of the new mine, “Yandicoogina” in March 1999. Brendon was flown to the Pilbara in September and spent time painting, drawing and photographing the landscape around Yandicoogina. The next 5 months were spent working on the larger paintings in his North Perth studio. The resulting 16 major works became part of the Hamersley Iron Pty Ltd collection, which is now the Rio Tinto collection. **“2018” Everyday iPad Painting** Brendon Darby painted everyday of 2018 on his iPad Pro. He painted whatever captured his attention on any given day. World events, very personal moments, anything that inspired him was captured and resulted in an evolving digital film. This groundbreaking artwork which runs for 3 hours 50 minutes, is a world first.

Bibliography

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"Arteffects", Jean Drysdale - Green. Watson - Guptill Publications, New York

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"Songs of the Possum", Bill Mather-Brown. Sundowner Press 1994

"Listening to Paintings- Kakadu", CD/Book published by Audio Art 1995

"Mitchell Falls", DVD produced by Audio Art

"Listening to Paintings- Australia" DVD/CD produced by Audio Art 2007