

# Stella Downer Fine Art

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ABN 86 229 108 803

### RACHEL GRACE FAIRFAX

Born Sydney

#### EDUCATION & EXPERIENCE

2013		Painting expedition, Gallipoli, Turkey
2012		Artist in Residence, PLC Croydon, Sydney
2011		Artist in Residence, CIS Secondary School, Hong Kong
2009		Artist in Residence, Taronga Zoo, NSW
2004	Artist in Residence, Haefligers Cottage, Hill End, NSW	
2003	Artist in Residence, Murrays Cottage, Hill End, NSW	
2002		Honours, Drawing, National Art School, Sydney
2000		Bachelor of Arts (Fine Arts), National Art School, Sydney
1994	Bachelor of Arts (Communications), University of Technology, Sydney	

#### SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2015	<i>100 Years Ago: Devotion</i> , Stella Downer Fine Art, Sydney
2014	<i>East meets West</i> Harvison Gallery, Perth
2013	<i>Animals on Show</i> Harvison Gallery, Perth
2013	<i>Gallipoli and Beyond</i> , Stella Downer Fine Art, Sydney <i>Spirit Bird</i> , NG Art Gallery, Sydney
2012	<i>Bundanon Landscapes</i> , Adelaide Perry Gallery, Sydney <i>Hong Kong Ceramics</i> , Frasers Display Pavillion, NG Art Gallery, Sydney
2011	<i>Larapinta Landscapes</i> , NG Art Gallery, Sydney
2009	<i>Ocean Paintings</i> , Ray Hughes Gallery, Sydney
2007	<i>Birds Dogs Cows Goats</i> , Ray Hughes Gallery, Sydney
2006	<i>Hill End Landscapes</i> , Maunsell Wickes at Barry Stern Gallery

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- 2005 Xavier Art Space, St Vincents Hospital, Sydney  
*Boat Paintings*, Maunsell-Wickes at Barry Stern Gallery, Sydney
- 2002 *Hill End Landscapes*, Xavier Art Space, St Vincents Hospital, Sydney

### SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2021 *Shades of Summer*, Stella Downer Fine Art, Sydney, NSW
- 2017 *A Stella(r) Renaissance*, Stella Downer Fine Art, Sydney
- 2016 *Drawing Conversations*, Raynor Hoff Space, National Art School, Sydney  
*Old Girl Artists*, Grace Cossington Smith Gallery  
*The First Year Creative Evolution and New Motherhood*, ANU School of Art Gallery, Canberra  
*Best in Show – Dogs in Australian Art*, Orange Regional Gallery
- 2015 *Deck the Walls*, Stella Downer Fine Art, Sydney NSW  
ANZAC Art Prize, War Memorial Hospital, Brisbane (finalist)  
Paddington Art Prize, Sydney (finalist)
- 2014 *Gallery Artists*, Stella Downer Fine Art, Sydney  
*Drawing As Thought*, Grace Cossington Smith Gallery, Wahroonga  
*Plein Air Painting Prize*, NSW Parliament (finalist)  
*Gallipoli Art Prize*, Gallipoli Memorial Club, Sydney (finalist)  
Stanthorpe Art Prize, Stanthorpe Regional Art Gallery, Qld (Finalist)
- 2013 *Gallery Artists*, Stella Downer Fine Art, Sydney  
Mosman Art Prize, Mosman Art Gallery, Sydney (Finalist)  
*The 59<sup>th</sup> Hunters Hill Art Exhibition*, Hunters Hill Town Hall, NSW (Finalist)  
Westmead Hospital Art Prize, Sydney (Finalist)  
*Zoologica*, Stella Downer Fine Art, Sydney
- 2012 *Deck the Walls*, Stella Downer Fine Art, Sydney  
WAYS Youth Art Auction, Bondi Pavillion, Sydney  
*Place: Residencies*, National Art School, Sydney  
Redlands Art Prize, Redlands Art Gallery, Qld (Finalist)

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- Flanagan Art Prize, St Patrick's College, Ballarat, Vic (Finalist)  
Wilson Visual Art Award, Trinity Catholic College, Lismore, NSW (Finalist)  
Gainsborough Greens Art Award, Qld (Finalist)  
*Artworks and Artwords*, National Art School, Sydney  
*Riversdale Dreaming*, Adelaide Perry Gallery, PLC Croydon, Sydney  
Stanthorpe Art Prize, Stanthorpe Regional Art Gallery, Qld (Finalist)  
*Sun Drunk Memories*, NG Art Gallery, Sydney
- 2011 ANL Maritime Art Award, Seafarers Centre, Melbourne (Finalist)  
*Landscape Show*, Defiance Gallery, Sydney  
*Drawing Show*, Defiance Gallery, Sydney  
*Artworks and Artwords*, National Art School, Sydney  
Adelaide Perry Prize for Drawing, Adelaide Perry Gallery, PLC Croydon, Sydney (Finalist)  
*Distant Bridges, Amnesty International*, NG Gallery, Sydney
- 2010 Waverly Youth Services Auction  
Barnardos Australia Auction  
*Larapinta Trail*, Doggett St Studio, Brisbane  
Hunters Hill Art Prize, Sydney (Finalist)
- 2009 Waverly Youth Services Art Auction  
Barnardos Australia Auction  
Mosman Art Prize, Mosman Art Gallery, Sydney (Finalist)  
Paddington Art Prize, Mary Place Gallery, Sydney (Finalist)  
*Thinking Aloud The Big Drawing Show*, Ray Hughes Gallery, Sydney
- 2009 *Artists in Residence Exhibition: Taronga Zoo*, Sothebys, Sydney
- 2008 *Who Let the Dogs Out*, Hazelhurst Regional Gallery, Gymea, NSW  
Waverly Youth Services Art Auction  
Waverly Art Prize, Waverley Woollahra Art School, Sydney (Finalist)

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- 2007 *Madonna and Child*, NG Art Gallery, Sydney  
*A Place at my Table*, National Art School, Sydney  
*There is No Place Like Home*, Mission Australia, Sydney
- 2006 *Big Drawing Show*, Ray Hughes Gallery, Sydney  
*Boat Paintings*, Ray Hughes Gallery, Sydney  
Willoughby Art Prize, Willoughby Town Hall, Sydney (Finalist)  
*Same Place Many Views*, Defiance Gallery, Sydney  
*Art by the Sea*, Art Moment Gallery, Sydney
- 2005 *Christmas Exhibition*, Defiance Gallery, Sydney  
*Hill End Artists in Residence*, Hill End Visitor's Centre, NSW  
Infusion, Cell Block Theatre, National Art School, Sydney  
*Same Place Many Views*, Defiance Gallery, Sydney  
*Making a Place of Her Own*, National Parks/Wildlife (touring)  
North Sydney Art Prize, Fred Hutley Hall, Sydney (Finalist)  
*Infusion*, Cell Block Theatre, National Art School, Sydney
- 2004 *Hill End Artists*, Bathurst Regional Art Gallery, NSW  
Sydney Affordable Art Show  
*Spectrum*, Parliament House, Sydney  
North Sydney Art Prize, Fred Hutley Hall, Sydney (Finalist)  
Waverly Art Prize, Waverley Woollahra Art School, Sydney (Finalist)
- 2003 Fishers Ghost Prize, Campbelltown Art Gallery, Sydney (Finalist)  
*Recent Bathers Paintings*, Mary Place Gallery, Sydney  
Hill End Painting Residencies, Bathurst Regional Art Gallery, NSW  
*Infusion*, Cell Block Theatre, National Art School, Sydney  
*Sydney Teapot Show*, Glebe Innerscity Clayworkers Gallery, Sydney  
North Sydney Art Prize, Fred Hutley Hall, Sydney (Finalist)  
Waverly Art Prize, Waverley Woollahra Art School, Sydney (Finalist)  
*Fresh*, Michael Carr Art Dealer, Sydney
- 2002 *Picturing Paradise*, Mori Gallery, Sydney  
Xavier Art Space, St Vincents Hospital, Sydney

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- Tree Drawings*, Cell Block Theatre, National Art School, Sydney
- 2001 *Recent Bathers Paintings*, Mary Place Gallery, Sydney  
Waverley Art Prize, Waverley Woollahra Art School, Sydney (Finalist)
- 2000 *Side Effects*, Mary Place Gallery, Sydney  
*Bathers Paintings*, Cell Block Theatre, National Art School, Sydney  
Waverley Art Prize, Waverley Woollahra Art School, Sydney (Finalist)  
Sky Gardens Art Prize (Finalist)

### COLLECTIONS

Artbank; Bathurst Regional Art Gallery, NSW; St Vincents Hospital, Sydney; Tetsuya's Restaurant, Sydney; Whitehouse School of Fashion, Sydney; Sydney Airport, NSW

### AWARDS

- 2015 Finalist, Paddington Art Prize, Sydney  
Finalist, NSW Parliament Plein Air Painting Prize  
Finalist, ANZAC Art Prize, War Memorial Hospital, Brisbane  
Finalist, Kogarah Art Prize
- 2014 Finalist, Blacktown Art Prize, Sydney  
Finalist, Fishers Ghost Art Prize  
Finalist, Mosman Art Prize  
Finalist, Wollongong Contemporary Watercolour Prize  
Finalist, NSW Parliament Plein Air Painting Prize  
Finalist, Gallipoli Art Prize  
Finalist, Stanthorpe Art Prize
- 2013 Finalist, Mosman Art Prize  
Finalist, Westmead Hospital Art Prize  
Finalist, Kogarah Art Prize  
Finalist, Hunters Hill Art Prize
- 2012 Highly Commended, Waverley Art Prize  
Finalist, Flanagan Art Prize  
Finalist, Wilson Visual Art Award

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Finalist, Stanthorpe Art Prize  
Finalist, ANL Maritime Art Award
- 2010 Finalist, Adelaide Perry Prize for Drawing
- 2009 Finalist, Hunters Hill Art Prize  
Finalist, Mosman Art Prize  
Finalist, Paddington Art Prize
- 2008 Finalist, Waverly Art Prize
- 2006 Winner, Art Moment Gallery Painting Prize  
Finalist, Willoughby Art Prize
- 2005 Winner, Infusion Painting Prize, Maunsell Wickes Barry Stern  
Galleries, Sydney  
Winner, FONAS St Vincents Xavier Art Space Prize  
Finalist, North Sydney Art Prize
- 2004 Winner, Reg Richardson Fellowship  
Highly Commended, Waverly Art Prize  
Finalist, North Sydney Art Prize  
Finalist, Waverly Art Prize
- 2003 Winner, Reg Richardson Fellowship
- 2002 Honours Prize, Art History and Theory, National Art School,  
Sydney
- 2001 Finalist, Waverly Art Prize
- 2000 Winner, Sydney Airport Graduation Prize for Painting,  
National Art School, Sydney  
Finalist, Waverly Art Prize  
Finalist, Sky Gardens Art Prize
- 1999 Winner, FONAS Scholarship Painting Prize
- 1995 WIFT Scholarship for Communications
- 1990 Winner, Sydney Morning Herald HSC Prize

### **BIBLIOGRAPHY**

- 2013 Michael Fitzgerald, 'Open gallery', *Spectrum*, The Sydney  
Morning Herald, 17 - 18 Augusts  
Leo Robba, 'Quintessential Australia; 12 Leading Australian  
Artists paint interpretation of Australia', *Canberra Times*, 26  
January

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- 2011 'Artists and Mentorship', Sydney Magazine, *Sydney Morning Herald*
- 2010 'Architects collecting Australian Paintings', *Belle Magazine*
- 2009 Megan Morton, *Home Magazine*, July
- 'Australian Patrol', Ocean Paintings Ray Hughes Gallery, *Youtube*
- 'Taronga Zoo Artist in Residence Project', *7:30 Report*, ABC Television
- 2007 'Ten Leading Artists', Sydney Morning Herald, 26 January
- John McDonald, *Sydney Morning Herald*, April
- Henry Mulholland, *702 ABC Radio*, April

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