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**EDUCTATION** 

2012- On-Going Doctor of Philosophy, Visual Art,

Australian National University, Canberra

2010 Certificate IV in Training and Assessment

Westvic Work Force Warrnambool

2009- 2010 Bachelor of Arts with Honours, First Class

Deakin University, Burwood

2003- 2007 Bachelor of Arts with Distinction

Fine Art Major Deakin University Warrnambool

2001 Certificate IV in Small Business Management

Australian Business Development Centre

1999- 2000 Visual Art Diploma: Painting Major & Sculpture Minor South West TAFE

Warrnambool

#### **SOLO EXHIBITIONS**

2014, Nov 'Inside Out', Solo Installation, Scope Gallery

2014, July 'Hand Basin Sound Space', Solo Installation, Artery Gallery2011, March 'Cleanse & Purge', Sherwood Gallery, Deakin University

2010, May 'Maternal Interstice', Warrnambool Art Gallery

2005, Sept '742: the matrix', BeachHead Gallery of Contemporary Art, Warrnambool 'Doorway to the New World: the Gateway of the Heart' BeachHead Gallery of

Contemporary Art, Warrnambool

2001, Aug 'Revolution by Light', BeachHead Gallery of Contemporary Art, Warrnambool

#### **GROUP EXHIBITIONS**

2014, Dec 'M16 Artspace Drawing Prize', M16 Artspace Canberra
2014, July 'Art Concerning the Environment Award, Scope Galleries
2013, August 'Annual School of Art Drawing Prize', School of Art Gallery,

Australian National University, Canberra

2011, June 'Lethbridge 10000 Small Scale Art Award', Leithbridge Gallery, Brisbane 'Hang Up, Hang Out', the F Project and Customs House Gallery Warrnambool

2006, Nov 'Cut the Mustard',

BeachHead Gallery of Contemporary Art Warrnambool

2005, Oct 'Persona', BeachHead Gallery of Contemporary Art 'Pressure', BeachHead Gallery Contemporary Art

2005, April 'Knife Fork and Brush', BeachHead Gallery Contemporary Art

2005, Mar 'North East Sculpture Award', Wangaratta, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Tertiary Section,
2004, Nov Deakin Grad. Exhibition, Sherwood Gallery Deakin University, Warrnambool

2004, Aug 'DUSA Art Prize', WAG and BeachHead Gallery of Contemporary Art

2004, April 'Cream', 'Knife, Fork and Brush', Beachhead Gallery

2003, July 'DUSA Art Prize', WAG and Beachhead Gallery of Contemporary Art

2001, Nov 'Forecasted Futures', Insite Studio Gallery, Warrnambool 2000, Nov 'An Accidental Union of Souls', South West Institute of TAFE

Graduate Show, Warrnambool Art Gallery

#### **COLLABORATIONS**

2011, Aug-Oct 'Space Time Echo Chambers', Dunkeld Lost in Sculpture Award

with Julie Poi Kelly

2003, Oct 'SHIFT', Beachhead Gallery of Contemporary Art Warrnambool

with Julie Poi Kelly

2001, June 'Universal Dreams & Pure Certainty' Insite Studio Gallery,

with Beth Gardner

# PARTICIPATORY ART PROJECTS

**2014-15 Building Blocks of Memory,** F Project and Warrnambool City Council, working in collaboration with artist Julie Poi Kelly. A visual arts led program designed for people with memory loss and their carers.

- 2014 CreaTree, Fun 4 Kids Children Festival, 8 Day Craft Program and Installation Play Space
- **2014 Well for Life,** F Project and Warrnambool City Council, working in collaboration with artist Julie Poi Kelly. A visual arts led program design to promote greater participation and community recognition of elderly residents with special needs.
- **2013 Kitchen Table Art Expedition,** Macarthur Primary School, Arts Victoria Artist in Schools Program. Multi-artform examination of the childrens environment through the lenses of "Earth", "Light" and "Space".
- **2013 Hawkesdale Community Mosaic,** Moyne Shire and Hawkesdale p-12 School. Participatory arts program led by the local Youth Councilors.
- 2011 Merrivale Space Program, Grade Two Merrivale Primary School, funded by Regional Arts Victoria. Eight week program using creative experimentation and play to explore philosophical concepts of space. Concluded with the construction of a multisensory sculpture
- **2010, Merri River Totem,** South Warrnambool Kindergarten. Creation of a sculpture celebrating the Merri River and wetlands.
- **2007, Body Image Workshops,** South West Allied Arts Services (SWAAS) Mortlake and Hawkesdale Secondary Collages, funded by Macarthur Community Health. 'Masks of the Muses', performance workshop exploring body image, body language and peer relationships
- **2007, Emmanuel College VCAL Workshops,** SWAAS Facilitated opportunities for VCAL students to contribute to the construction of the Lyndoch Sensory Garden
- **2007, Expressive Creativity Program,** (SWAAS) Southern Way Direct Care Services, expressive arts program for women with MS
- **2007,** Indigenous Nutrition Program, SWAAS, Warrnambool College & South West Health Care funded by Regional Arts Victoria. Eight week indigenous nutrition program using visual thinking to develop critical decision making
- **2007,** Mosaic Workshop, SWAAS, Mortlake Secondary Collage, Moyne Shire Youth Council, 'Down the Garden Path' Mosaic Session
- **2007-2008, 'Down the Garden Path',** SWAAS South West Sports Assembly, Lyndoch Aged Care and Abbeyfield Hostel. Designed, project managed and constructed two sensory gardens at Lyndoch Aged Care Warrnambool and Abbeyfield Aged Care Mortlake
- **2006-2008, Futures for Young Adults Program,** SWAAS, Southern Way Direct Care, weekly arts programs for special needs clients
- **2006,** Mortlake Secondary Collage, SWAAS funded by Macarthur Community Health. Two day visual, expressive and performance arts program for selected female students in the 'Adventurers Program'
- **2006, Youth Week,** SWAAS funded by Warrnambool City Council. Professional Development for VCE visual art students
- **2006, Jamieson St Primary**, SWAAS. Senior school visual arts and sculpture program focused on indigenous culture

- **2006, Hawkesdale Secondary School,** SWAAS funded by Macarthur Community Health. Expressive workshops for 'at risk' students
- **2006,** Warrnambool's Emerging Spirits: professional development for young artists, Beachhead Gallery, funded by Warrnambool City Council's Community and Cultural Development Fund. A series of workshops and an exhibition for young artists
- 2005, Beachheadgallery.com, Coordinated redevelopment of gallery website.
- **2005,** Up & Coming, Beachhead Gallery, Tertiary Arts Exhibition series
- **2005, Pressure 1 & 2,** Beachhead Gallery, Series of exhibitions to draw out improvisational art talents
- **2004, 'One and All Festival: Celebration of Ability',** Warrnambool City Council, Warrnambool Special School, East Warrnambool Primary& Merrivale Primary School. Mural workshop
- **2002,** "Way to Go" Youth Initiative, Insite Studio Gallery funded by Warrnambool City Council"Schoolies Day Out" Workshops, "Optimism" Exhibition & Art Award
- **2001, Insitegallery.com,** Insite Studio Gallery, funded by Brophy Family Services "Youth Initiative Grant".
- **2001, Mental Health Week,** Insite Studio Gallery, funded by Brophy Family Services & in partnership with ASPIRE Warrnambool. "Gone Yarrah" Music Festival, Exhibition and Workshops
- **2001, October- December,** 'Dualabind Way', Insite Studio Gallery, Mural based artwork, Business Centre Fletcher Jones Gardens

### **ARTS ENTERPRISES**

#### 2005-2008

South West Allied Arts Services (in partnership with Julie Poi Kelly) Providing participatory art program design and delivery

#### 2004-2006

Beachhead Gallery of Contemporary Art (Artist run gallery, partner)

#### 2001-2002

Insite Studio Gallery
(Artist run studio and gallery with Beth Gardner)

# **PAPERS**

Imagining Empathy and Potential through Aesthetic Subjectivity
6<sup>th</sup> Annual International Arts & Health Wellbeing: the Art of Good Health and Wellbeing
National Gallery of Victoria, 11-13 November 2014

Privileging Creative Arts Desires in Aesthetic Subjectivity Led Practice
Spectres of Evaluation, Footscray Community Arts Centre, Centre for Cultural Partnerships,
Melbourne University, Melbourne 2014

Aesthetic Subjectivity: Conduit between Subject- Object and Creativity – Knowledge. (Double Blind Refereed)

Australian Council of University Art and Design Schools, Canberra 2011

Defining Aesthetic Subjectivity and Considering its Applications
OCULUS Post-Graduate Conference, University of Canterbury, Christchurch 2012

# PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT 6<sup>th</sup> Annual International Arts & Health Conference

The Art of Good Health & Wellbeing 11-13 November National Gallery of Victoria

### **Spectres of Evaluation**

Rethinking Art and Community Value 6-7 February 2014 Footscray Community Arts Centre

#### **OCULUS Post-Graduate Conference**

28-29 September 2012 University of Canterbury Christchurch New Zealand

# Australian Council of University Art and Design Schools Conference

CREATIVITY: brain- mind – body 21-23 September 2011 Australian National University Canberra

#### NAIDOC Art Exhibition 2010

Member of Judging Panel Brophy Family and Youth Services Timor St Warrnambool

# Art In Therapy, 30<sup>th</sup> Oct 2009

Dunkeld Mosaic of Arts Dunkeld Mosaic of Arts

# **GRANTS**

- Travel Grant, Australian National University
   2014, International Field Research in America and Japan
- Artist In Schools Program, Arts Victoria
   2013, Kitchen table Art Expedition, Macarthur Primary School
- Travel Grant, Australian Nation University 2012, OCULUS Conference
- Community Cultural Development Fund, WCC 2012, Correlating Places, with Julie Poi Kelly
- Quick Response Grant, Regional Arts Victoria (RAV)
   2011, Merrivale Space Program
- Macarthur Community Health Funding
   2007, Body Image Workshops, South West Allied Arts Services
- Quick Response Grant, RAV
   2007, Indigenous Nutrition Program

# Driving Forces: The Role of Artists and Designers in Interdisciplinary Research

27-28 March 2014
Australian National University
Canberra

### Research Ethics and Integrity Training

December 2013
Australian National University
Canberra

# Cultural History of Climate Change

27-28 August Australian National University Canberra

#### **ECHOLOGY Seminar**

State Library of Victoria 26<sup>th</sup> March 2012 Melbourne

# Digital Light: Technique, Technology, Creation,

18<sup>th</sup>& 19<sup>th</sup> March 2011 Elisabeth Murdoch Theatre, University of Melbourne

- Macarthur Community Health Funding
   2006, Expressive and Performance Arts Program
- Warrnambool City Council (WCC) Funding 2006, Youth Week
- Community Cultural Development Fund, WCC 2005-06, Emerging Spirits
- WCC Funding 2002, Optimism, Youth Week
- Brophy Family and Youth Services Funding 2001, Mental Health Week Programing
- Youth Initiative Grant, Brophy 2001, Insitegallery.com