

KEVIN CONNOR

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

Born in Sydney in 1932, Kevin Connor has lived and worked in Sydney, painting full time between 1963 to 1976 and 1987 to the present, with periods of overseas work and travel throughout his career.

- 2006-24 Various travels. Worked in Sydney
- 2005 Lived and worked in Paris and London for two months
- 2003 Lived and worked in Paris for two months
- 2001-2 Worked in Paris for five months
- 1999 Lived and worked in Paris and London for five months
- 1998 Lived and worked in Paris and London for two months
- 1996 Lived and worked in Paris and London for three months
- 1995 Worked in Paris for two months
- 1994 Worked in Paris for two months
- 1991 Three week drawing expedition of war damaged areas in Iraq Three week drawing expedition in Jordan, Syria and Jerusalem
- 1988 Two months drawing and making lithographs with Jacques Champfleury in Paris
- 1985 Three months study tour of Egypt, Paris and London
- 1981-87 Trustee of the Art Gallery of New South Wales
- 1979 Six months study tour in Egypt and Paris
- 1976-87 Lecturer in painting and drawing at the National Art School, Alexander Mackie College of Advanced Education and the City Art Institute, Sydney
- 1966-68 Lived and worked in New York, United States of America
- 1965-66 Thirteen months travel in Europe including a seven month stay in Spain
- 1954-57 Travelled, lived and worked overseas in Canada and England

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2019 **Selected Works 2000 – 2019**, Nicholas Thompson Gallery, Melbourne
- 2018 **The Forever One Day: Kevin Connor**, Orange Regional Gallery, Orange
- 2015 **Drawings**, Liverpool Street Gallery, Sydney
- 2013 **Paintings**, Liverpool Street Gallery, Sydney
- 2012 **Paintings**, Liverpool Street Gallery, Sydney
- 2010 **Kevin Connor**, Liverpool Street Gallery, Sydney
- 2009 **Kevin Connor: Paintings & Drawings**, Liverpool Street Gallery, Sydney
- 2007 **Kevin Connor: Paintings**, Liverpool Street Gallery, Sydney
- 2006 **Kevin Connor: Sketchbooks, Drawings and Studies for Paintings and Sculptures**, Art Gallery of New South Wales
- 2006 **Kevin Connor: Painting & Sculpture**, Liverpool Street Gallery, Sydney
- 2001 Dickerson Gallery, Melbourne
BMG Art, Adelaide
- 2000 Rex Irwin Gallery, Sydney
- 1998 Rex Irwin Gallery, Sydney
- 1996 Rex Irwin Gallery, Sydney
- 1994 BMG Art, Adelaide

NICHOLAS
THOMPSON
GALLERY

- 1993 Australian Galleries, Melbourne
1992 Australian Galleries, Sydney
1990 Realities Gallery, Melbourne
Spanish and American Paintings, Charles Nodrum Gallery, Melbourne
BMG Fine Art, Adelaide
1989-90 **Kevin Connor – Paintings and Drawings 1947-88** Art Gallery of New South Wales,
Sydney; Heide Park and Art Gallery, Melbourne; Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery,
Hobart; The Broken Hill City Art Gallery, New South Wales
1989 Roslyn Oxley 9 Gallery, Sydney
1988 **Kevin Connor – Harbour Paintings 1964-67** Manly Art Gallery and Museum (and New
South Wales Bicentennial Council)
Kevin Connor – Selected Portraits 1964-87 Ivan Dougherty Gallery, City Art Institute,
Sydney
1987 Realities Gallery, Melbourne Gallery
1986 Roslyn Oxley 9 Gallery, Sydney
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1983 Ray Hughes Gallery, Brisbane
1981 Axiom Gallery, Melbourne
Ray Hughes Gallery, Brisbane
1979 Barry Stern Gallery, Sydney
1978 Powell Street Gallery, Canberra
Ray Hughes Gallery, Brisbane
1976 Anna Simons Gallery, Canberra
Ray Hughes Gallery, Brisbane
1975 Anna Simons Gallery, Canberra
1974 Macquarie Galleries, Sydney
Toorak Gallery, Melbourne
1973 Macquarie Galleries, Canberra
1972 Johnstone Gallery, Brisbane
Macquarie Galleries, Sydney
1971 Macquarie Galleries, Canberra
Australian Galleries, Melbourne
1970 Macquarie Galleries, Sydney
Johnstone Gallery, Brisbane
1969 Macquarie Galleries, Sydney
Johnstone Gallery, Brisbane
Macquarie Galleries, Canberra
1968 Macquarie Galleries, Sydney
Bonython Gallery, Sydney
Bonython Gallery, Adelaide
Australian Galleries, Melbourne
1966 Commonwealth Institute, London
Macquarie Galleries, Sydney
1965 Macquarie Galleries, Sydney
Australian Galleries, Melbourne
Bonython Gallery, Adelaide
Macquarie Galleries, Canberra
Johnstone Gallery, Brisbane

- 1963 Bonython Gallery, Adelaide
Australian Galleries, Melbourne
Macquarie Galleries, Sydney
- 1962 Australian Galleries, Melbourne
Macquarie Galleries, Sydney

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2019 **In Put/Print Out: Cicada Press.** Megalo Print Gallery, Canberra
- 2016 **Land and Sea,** Liverpool Street Gallery, Sydney
Kevin Connor & Ian Grant, Liverpool Street Gallery, Sydney
- 2015-16 **Destination Sydney,** Mosman Art Gallery, Sydney
- 2015 **Australian Paintings from the James and Jacqui Erskine Collection,** Drill Hall Gallery, Australian National University, Canberra
Blow-ins, (Artist Profile) Broken Hill Regional Art Gallery, New South Wales
- 2014 **20 Years of the Dobell Prize for Drawing,** Art Gallery of New South Wales and Touring
Remembering Brian and Marjorie Johnstone's Galleries, The University of Queensland Art Museum, Brisbane
- 2013 **LSG2013,** Liverpool Street Gallery, Sydney
- 2012 Finalist, **Wynne Prize,** Art Gallery of New South Wales
- 2011 **Painting,** Liverpool Street Gallery, Sydney
- 2010 **Australian Portraits 1880 – 1960,** University of Queensland Art Gallery, Brisbane
Finalist, **Archibald Prize,** Art Gallery of New South Wales
Finalist, **Wynne Prize,** Art Gallery of New South Wales
- 2009 **Summer Exhibition,** Liverpool Street Gallery, Sydney
- 2008 **Seventh Drawing Biennale 2008,** The Drill Hall Gallery, Australian National University
Melbourne Art Fair, (Liverpool Street Gallery), Melbourne, Victoria
- 2007 **Summer Exhibition,** Liverpool Street Gallery, Sydney
- 2006 **The Year in Art,** S.H. Ervin Gallery, The National Trust, Sydney
Summer Exhibition, Liverpool Street Gallery, Sydney
Painting, Liverpool Street Gallery, Sydney
Melbourne Art Fair, (Liverpool Street Gallery), Melbourne, Victoria
- 2003 **Dobell Prize for Drawing – The First Ten Years,** Art Gallery of New South Wales
- 2001 **A Studio in Paris,** S.H. Ervin Gallery, The National Trust, Sydney
National Sculpture Prize and Exhibition, National Gallery of Australia
Galerie Beckel Odille Boicos, Paris
- 2000 **Metropolis,** Museum of Sydney Selection from the University of Western Sydney Art Collection
- 1997 **Australian Drawings,** Art Gallery of New South Wales
- 1996 **Expressive Figuration,** Art Gallery of New South Wales; Lawrence Wilson Gallery; University of Western Australia; Albury Regional Gallery, New South Wales
- 1994 **Drawing on Inspiration,** Ivan Dougherty Gallery, Sydney
Everyday Life, Art Gallery of New South Wales, Art Gallery of New South Wales
- 1993-05 **Seventh Dobell Prize for Drawing Exhibitions,** Art Gallery of New South Wales
- 1992 **Contemporary Australian Drawings,** Art Gallery of New South Wales
Animals on Paper, Art Gallery of New South Wales
- 1990 **Campus Collections,** Art of the University of New South Wales and College of Fine Arts, Ivan Dougherty Gallery, Sydney

- 1989 **Blaxland Gallery's 60th Anniversary Exhibition**, Blaxland Gallery
 1987 **Monash University Collection**, Monash University Museum of Art
 1986 **Face to Face, Australian portraits**, Art Gallery of New South Wales, touring exhibition
 around New South Wales
Face of a Nation, The Australian Portrait Exhibition, Melbourne
 1982 **The Archibald Prize 1921-1981**, SH Ervin Gallery, The National Trust, Sydney
Three Decades of Australian Landscape Paintings from 1945, Art Gallery of New South
 Wales, touring to China and Papua New Guinea
 1981 **Three Years On**, Art Gallery of New South Wales
 1979 **Sydney Harbour**, SH Ervin Gallery, The National Trust, Sydney
 1973 **Biennale of Sydney**, Sydney Opera House
 1972 Group Exhibitions in New Zealand and Chile
 1970 **Post-war Paintings**, Eliot Aldridge Collection, South Australia School of Art
 1967-68 **Australian Painters 1960-67** touring the United States of America
 1966 **Harkness Fellows Exhibition**, Leicester Galleries, London
 1965 **Australian Painters**, Kyoto and Tokyo, Japan
 1963 **Blaxland Gallery's Fifth Anniversary Exhibition**, Blaxland Gallery
 1963-04 **Twelve Sulman Prize exhibitions**, Art Gallery of New South Wales
 1962-04 **Twenty-two Archibald Prize exhibitions**, Art Gallery of New South Wales (twenty-six
 entries exhibited)
 1961-94 **Seven Wynne Prize exhibitions**, Art Gallery of New South Wales
 1951-73 **Blake Prize exhibitions**

SELECTED AWARDS

- 2016 National Art School Fellowship
 2005 Dobell Prize for Drawing
 1997 Sir John Sulman Prize
 1993 Dobell Prize for Drawing
 1991 Sir John Sulman Prize
 1988 Visual Arts/ Craft Board: Professional Development of Artists – Fellowship Grant
 1985 University of New South Wales Painting Award
 1977 The Archibald Prize (Portrait of Robert Klippel)
 1975 The Archibald Prize (Portrait of Sir Frank Kitto)
 1973 Sir William Angliss Memorial Invitation Art Prize, Melbourne
 1966 Harkness Fellowship (21 months in the United States of America)

COLLECTIONS

Adelaide University
 Albury City Regional Art Gallery
 Art Gallery of New South Wales
 Art Gallery of South Australia
 Art Gallery of Western Australia
 Australian Embassy, Washington DC
 Australian National University
 Australian War Memorial, Canberra

Ballarat Fine Art Gallery
Bendigo Art Gallery
Broken Hill Regional Art Gallery
Burnie Regional Art Gallery
Cairns Regional Art Gallery
College of Fine Arts, University of New South Wales
Darling Harbour Authority, Sydney
Darnell Trust, Queensland University
Deakin University Library
Edith Cowan University
Griffith University
Latrobe Regional Gallery
Manly Art Gallery and Museum
Melbourne University
Monash University
Mosman Art Gallery
National Gallery of Australia
National Gallery of Victoria
New England Regional Art Gallery
Newcastle Region Art Gallery
Orange Regional Art Gallery
Parliament House Collection, Canberra
Print Council of Australia Inc.
Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery, Launceston, Tasmania
Queensland Art Gallery
Queensland University of Technology
SH Ervin Gallery, National Trust, Sydney
Sydney University
Tamworth Regional Art Gallery
Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery
University of Canberra
University of Queensland Art Collection
University of New England
University of New South Wales
University of Technology, Sydney
University of Western Sydney
Wagga Wagga City Art Gallery
Wollongong City Art Gallery
Private collections throughout Australia, United Kingdom and the United States of America

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