

Image | Daniel Richardson, Los Vegas inside Melbourne Museum in the 1940s, 2019, collage and paint pen on paper, 50 x 70 cm.

UPCOMING EXHIBITIONS

OCTOBER: FRENETIC WORKINGS OF THE WESTERN WORLD + THE NATURAL WAY

DECEMBER: 2019 ANNUAL GALA

Frenetic workings of the western world + The Natural Way Dates | 26 October - 23 November

Opening Saturday 26 October from 3-5pm at Arts Project Australia are two new exhibitions that respectively explore contemporary industrialism, as well as the sensibilities, processes and thoughts that inform creative processes: Steven Perrette's solo *Frenetic workings of the western world* and group show *The Natural Way*.

Depicting the remnants of modern industrialism is *Frenetic workings of the western world*, which brings together Perrette's works on paper. Within his art practice, Perrette maintains a fascination with trade routes and industrial transport carriers such as trucks, cars and ships, with the roads and highways he draws and paints depicting a cacophony of cars, semi-trailers, cafes, gas stations and signs featuring corporate logos.

Perrette has exhibited in numerous group shows and his work is held in the National Gallery of Australia and V-Line Collections.

Meanwhile *The Natural Way* considers how seven artists observe and work in their processes of art practice, where integrative approaches take on a wide view of sensibilities and thinking to each person. The sequences of works explore subject matter crossing the figurative, role playing, investigations of time travel, and essentially unique and individual ways of interpreting and creating.

Curated by Elyss McCleary, this exhibition evolved naturally with admiration and respect of the characteristic autonomy of how each artist approaches their process in and away from the collective studio of Arts Project Australia. This process of ideas and imagery encompasses a constant outflow of work, when seen in the studio and on mass, impressing of something bigger and expansive for us all to share and experience.

Featuring works by: Jacob Cartelli, Kaymay Hallas, Danny Lyons, Julian Martin, Daniel Richardson, Rebecca Scibilia, and Robin Warren.

Opening both exhibitions is Jeremy Eaton, artist, writer and gallery coordinator of KINGS Artist-Run.

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Image | Samantha Ashdown, *Not titled*, 2019, gouache and ink on paper, 36.5 x 45.5 cm

DECEMBER: 2019 ANNUAL GALA

Art, music + performance at Arts Project Australia
Featuring over 200 artworks by 150 artists
A local and celebratory Northcote event: FREE + open to the public

ANNUAL GALA | Saturday 30 November, 3-5pm EXHIBITION DATES | 30 November - 18 December 2019

Come and discover the art and artists of Arts Project Australia. With over 150 artists practicing in our studio each week, our 2019 Annual Gala launches Saturday 30 November from 3pm-5pm and celebrates the diverse work created in our studio by showcasing over 200 artworks.

Not only featuring great art, Annual Gala is a community event. This year they'll be a raffles, door prizes, live entertainment, plus toasties from Catalyst, a food van that provides work experience for adults with an intellectual disability.

In this way Annual Gala seeks to celebrate the exploratory and exciting work undertaken at Arts Project throughout 2019, and shares the celebration with artists, families and the local community.

With artworks spanning painting, photography, drawing, printmaking, ceramics and sculpture, viewers are able to browse and purchase original artwork, as well as our unique cards, calendars and our AUSTRALIANA collection; a series of merchandise created with Third Drawer Down and NGV.

"The Annual Gala is the only exhibition that features at least one artwork from each Arts Project artist and is a wonderful opportunity to gain insight into our artists' distinct practice," says Executive Director Sue Roff.

"Over 400 people visit the gallery during our Annual Gala openings to celebrate Arts Project, purchase an original artwork, grab a unique christmas present and enjoy the musical festivities."

Artworks are available for sale at the opening, and throughout the show, and can be taken home on the day of purchase. Prices range from \$50 up to \$1000, with many collectors and attendees arriving early to secure an original one-off artwork at great prices.

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