

Camilla Connolly

Camilla Connolly was born in Sydney. She lives and works from her home based studio in Murwillumbah, NSW. She is represented by Galleries Direct in Sydney and Schubert Contemporary on the Gold Coast.

Secondary Education

Mosman High School

Dux Year 11

Dux HSC Trials

2nd place HSC. (Artwork selected for inaugural HSC touring exhibition, UNSW, Kensington, Sydney.)

Tertiary Education

University of Sydney

- Fine Arts, Italian, French

University of Sydney

-Arts/Law

Exhibition History

Solo Exhibitions

- 2006 July. *Family Matters-Fractured Fairytale* – An Exhibition of Drawings, Tweed River Art Gallery, Murwillumbah, NSW.
- 2005 *October solo show* –Barrack Gallery, Sydney.
- 2005 August – Tweed Regional Gallery Café – small works on paper – *a selection of new collages and drawings*.
- 2004 November. *A Narrative in Paint*. Barrack Gallery, Barrack Street, Sydney, NSW. Near sell-out show.
- 2004 May. *Paintings*, Gold Coast Arts Centre café.
- 1987 Solo Exhibition of Paintings, First Draft, Sydney.

Group Exhibitions

2007

Paddington Art Prize Finalists' Exhibition, Mary Place Gallery, Sydney.

EMSLA Salon des Refusee Exhibition – Coffs Harbour Regional Museum.

National Portrait Gallery of Australia – online exhibition, A.C.T

Portia Geach Memorial Award – S.H.Ervin Gallery, Sydney. (Judges Barry Pearce, Jane Watter and Jude Rae.)

Country Energy Finalists' Exhibition – Dubbo Regional Gallery. (Judges David Fairbairn, Bronwyn Bancroft.)

Olive Cotton Award Finalists' Exhibition –Tweed River Art Gallery. (judge and selector Michael Walsh – director of the Melbourne Film Festival.)

Waverley Art Prize –Waverley-Woollahra Art Centre, Bondi. (Judges Dr. Ambrose Reisch, Lynne Eastaway.)

FEHVA Art Auction (two selected entries.) Curated by Robert Beakley (Founder, Sotheby's Australia,) and Stephen Alderton (Director, Lismore Regional Gallery.)
ART MELBOURNE – Royal Exhibition Centre, Carlton, Vic.
Four of the Best (selected By Tweed Regional Gallery) with Ian Tremewan, Hobie Porter, Trish Callaghan. Mantra Resort, Kingscliff in conjunction with Tweed Regional Tourism Board.
Gallery Artists at Pivotal, Pivotal Galleries, Richmond Vic.
Outback Art Prize 2007 Selected Finalists' Exhibition, Broken Hill Regional Gallery.

2006

Border Art Prize, Tweed Regional Gallery.(Highly Commended.)
Bangalow Affordable Art Show, Bangalow, NSW.
Countryscapes Exhibition – Artspace, The Gunnery, Sydney.
Redland Finalists' Art Awards, Redland Regional Gallery, Qld.
Wayside Chapel Charity Auction, King Street Gallery on Burton, Sydney.
Country Energy Prize for Landscape Finalists' Exhibition, Goulburn Regional Gallery, Goulburn.
ART SYDNEY, Royal Exhibition Building, Sydney Showgrounds.
FEHVA Exhibition and Art Auction, curated by Dee Tipping and Robert Bleakley.
ART MELBOURNE – Royal Exhibition Centre, Carlton.
Women artists Exhibition Sheoak Shack, Fingal.

2005 *Brisbane Art Fair* – Brisbane Exhibition Centre.
Border Art Prize Exhibition, Gold Coast City Art Gallery.
FEHVA Exhibition, Byron Bay Community and Cultural Centre. Byron Bay.
Discovery Art Show, Melbourne –Gasworks Art Park, Port Melbourne, Victoria.
Pivotal Gallery, Richmond, Melbourne, Group Show.
Carizma Exhibition, curated by Dave Furnell, Grafton Regional Gallery, Grafton.
"Man's Best Friend" Exhibition. Group Show. Next Contemporary Art Space, Southern Cross University, Lismore, NSW.

2004 Group Exhibition, *Sheoak Shack Gallery*, Fingal.
FEHVA Art Exhibition and Auction, *Byron Bay Community and Cultural Centre*, Byron Bay, NSW.
Group Exhibition, Waywood Gallery, Byron Bay.
Art auction for homeless women, Sheoak Shack Gallery, Fingal.
Paintings, group exhibition, Waywood Gallery, Byron Bay.

2003 *Icons Exhibition*, *Waywood Gallery*, Byron Bay.
Drawings, *Waywood Gallery*, Byron Bay.

2002 Returns to art practice full time while pregnant with son, Elliot.

1999 Settles in Byron Bay, NSW.

1998 Attends “The Buttery” Therapeutic Community, Bangalow, NSW.

From 1989 to 1998, Camilla ceased painting because of addiction issues.

1989 Solo Show, Front room, *Arthaus Gallery*, Darlinghurst, Sydney.

1988 Group Show, *Arthaus Gallery*, Darlinghurst, Sydney.

1986 Co-ordinator and exhibitor, Young Artists Exhibition, *Sydney Town Hall*

1980 Inaugural HSC Touring Exhibition.

Awards, Prizes and Competitions

2007

Selected Finalist – Paddington Art Prize, Sydney

Selected – EMSLA Salon des Refusee – Coffs Harbour Regional Museum.

Selected – National Portrait Gallery of Australia – online exhibition, ACT.

Selected Finalist – Portia Geach Memorial Award, Sydney.

Selected Finalist – Country Energy Landscape Prize.

Selected Finalist – Olive Cotton Award for Photography, NSW.

Selected Finalist – Inaugural FEHVA Portrait Prize, Bangalow, NSW. (Judges Mungo MacCallum, Ken Johnson.)

Selected Finalist – Waverley Art Prize, Bondi, NSW

Selected Finalist – Outback Art Prize (judge – Hendrik Kolenberg, Senior Curator Australian Drawings and Prints, AGNSW, Sydney.)

2006 Highly Commended – Border Art Prize, Tweed Regional Art Gallery.

Selected Finalist – Redland Art Awards, QLD. (Judges – Michael Zavros and Professor Pat Hoffie.)

Selected Finalist – Country Energy Prize for Landscape, (Judges – Euan Macleod, Tim Storrier.) September – October. Goulburn Regional Gallery, Goulburn.

2005 July - 2nd Place, Peoples Choice Award, FEHVA exhibition, Byron Bay Community and Cultural Centre, Byron Bay.

Commissions

2006 Large scale landscape commission for private collector, Sydney.

Teaching and Residencies

2006 Currently a tutor at the Byron Bay Art Workshops and Art Workshops, Australia.

Memberships

Artworkers Alliance.

NAVA – the Gunnery, Woolloomooloo, Sydney.

Arthives.

Visual Arts Network – Northern Rivers sector, in association with Regional Arts NSW.

Visual Arts Ambassador for the annual FEHVA weekend in Byron Bay and also the “Help Build a Better Buttery” program, Bangalow, NSW.

Speaking Engagements/Media/Publications

2007

Artists in the Rainforest – Producer - Sorrell Wilby (film for Australian Geographic.)

The Byron Shire Echo-front page photograph by Jeff Dawson.

FEHVA Art Auction and Dinner, with Robert Bleakley, John McDonald, Bangalow, Mungo MacCallum. NSW.

Byron Shire Echo – Front Page – FEHVA Portrait Prize with sitter, Mungo MacCallum.

Bay FM Radio – with Narelle Sebastian.

2006 Wayside Chapel Charity Auction, King Street Gallery on Burton, Sydney.

July- Guest panellist and presenter. FEHVA Arts weekend, Byron Bay Community and Cultural Centre.

Bay FM – Forty Eight Hours of Visual Art Interview.

ART MELBOURNE – Guest interview on Channel Ten’s 9AM program.

2005 November – Elisabeth Fortescue, The Daily Telegraph, Sydney.

July – FEHVA weekend, Byron Bay Community and Cultural Centre.

June – Discovery Art Show, Gasworks Art Park, Port Melbourne – Guest panellist

March - Whole Woman Forum, Tweed NSW – Speaker, “Painting Practice and Facing Adversity/Finding Resilience.”

2005, January, Byron Shire Echo Newspaper – Article by Juliet Lamont.

2004 November, ABC Regional Radio, Regional Arts Program.

July, “The Potential for Art to Heal and Communicate,” 48Hours Visual Arts - Byron Bay Community and Cultural Centre, NSW.

July, Bay FM Radio “Return to Painting after addiction”

2004-2005 – DVD, “Camilla Connolly - Sisters of the Cross. Filmed and produced by Tikitiboo ON-Screen Media, (Director, Noah Hutchison.)