

Robyn Sweaney

Solo Exhibitions

- 2013 **Topia** Anthea Polson Art Southport QLD
Finding Mrs Frisby Art Piece Gallery Mullumbimby NSW
a quiet obsession...Mrs Violet Frisby Sheffer Gallery Sydney NSW
- 2011 **Road Trip, from here to there and places in-between** Anthea Polson Art Southport QLD
- 2009 **new work** Iain Dawson Gallery Sydney NSW
- 2007 **Emoh Ruo** Tim Olsen Gallery Sydney NSW
- 2006 **the house beautiful** Lismore Regional Gallery NSW
- 2004 **a rose is a rose....** Portland Bay Press Portland VIC
- 2003 **Sub rosa series** Piece Gallery Mullumbimby NSW
- 2003 **Sub rosa** Grafton Regional Gallery Grafton NSW
- 1994 **From my life at home** Griffith Fine Art Gallery Condong NSW
- 1992 **Connections** Cape Gallery Byron Bay NSW

Residencies

- 2008 Hill End Artists In Residence Program – Murray's Cottage
- 2004 The June Hedditch studio-apartments @ The Arts Company, Portland, Victoria

Awards and Grants

- 2011 *Paddington Art Prize*, Highly Commended
- 2010 *The Northern Rivers Portrait Prize*, Highly Commended, *Stanthorpe Art Festival 2010*, Acquired
- 2009 *Country Energy Landscape Prize*, Highly Commended
- 2008 *Border Art Prize*, Open Second Prize, Quick Turnaround Grant, NSW Regional Arts
- 2007 *St Johns Art Festival*, Open Prize, *Southern Cross*, Second - Watercolour & Third - Works on Paper
- 2006 NAVA Marketing Grant
- 2005 *Southern Cross*, First Prize - Painting & First Prize - Miniatures
- 2003 *Southern Cross*, First Prize - Mixed Media, *Pink Poodle Art Prize*, Commended, Bond University Gallery
- 2002 *Southern Cross*, Highly Commended - Printmaking
- 2002 *Border Art Prize*, Tweed Regional Gallery, Highly Commended - Painting
- 2001 *St Hilda's Festival of Arts*, Highly Commended – Painting. *Southern Cross*, First - Painting
- 2000 *Byron Easter Art Classic*, Second - Printmaking
- 1998 *Byron Print Prize*, Barebones Art Space, Local's Award

Professional Experience and Qualifications

- 2011 – 2015 Education and Audience Development Officer, Tweed Regional Gallery, Murwillumbah
- 2009 - 2011 Part-Time Teacher of Fine Arts, TAFE, Lismore and Murwillumbah Campus's
- 2007 Radio Conversation on *Emoh Ruo* exhibition, By Design, ABC Radio National
- 2006 - 2002 Co - Director and Curator c.a.s.e. Inc. @ Piece Gallery, Artist-run exhibition space and studio, Mullumbimby
- 2003 Radio Program...*The language of flowers...* ABC Radio North Coast
- 2003 Certificate IV Assessment & Workplace Training, NCI, TAFE
- 1978 B.Ed. Arts and Crafts. State College of Victoria at Melbourne

Collections

Art Bank
Gold Coast City Art Gallery
Gold Coast University Hospital
Grafton Regional Gallery
Lismore Regional Gallery
Mater Hospital Crows Nest Sydney *Interior*
Mitchell Library, State Library of NSW
Southern Downs Regional Art Collection, Stanthorpe
Tweed Regional Gallery
Private collections in Australia and overseas

Group exhibitions and selected shows

2015

Tattersall's Club Landscape Prize, Brisbane | *The Mosman Art Prize*, Finalist, Mosman Art Gallery | *Australia Fair*, Lismore Regional Gallery | *Unfolding Splendour*, Arthouse Gallery, Sydney | *JADA, Jacaranda Drawing Prize* touring show

2014

Gold Coast Art Prize, Finalist, Gold Coast City Art Gallery | *JADA Jacaranda Drawing Prize*, Finalist, Grafton Regional Gallery | *Salon Des Refuses*, S.H. Ervin Gallery, Sydney | *Gallipoli Art Prize*, Finalist, Gallipoli Memorial Club, Sydney

2013

Portia Geach Memorial Award, S.H. Ervin Gallery, Sydney | *Fleurieu Art Prize*, Finalist, SA | *Salon Des Refuses*, S.H. Ervin Gallery, Sydney | *Northern Rivers Portrait Prize*, Finalist, Lismore Regional Gallery

2012

Paddington Art Prize, Finalist, Sydney | *The Doug Moran National Portrait Prize*, Selected Semi-Finalist, Sydney | *Gallipoli Art Prize*, Finalist, Gallipoli Memorial Club, Sydney | *Salon Des Refuses*, S.H. Ervin Gallery, Sydney | *The Northern Rivers Portrait Prize*, Selected Finalist, Lismore Regional Gallery

2011

The Wynne Prize for Landscape, Finalist, Art Gallery of NSW, Sydney | *Paddington Art Prize*, Selected Finalist, Sydney | *The Tattersall's Club Landscape Prize*, Brisbane | *The Doug Moran National Portrait Prize*, Finalist, Sydney | *The Adelaide Perry Drawing Prize*, Finalist, PLC, Sydney | *The Australian Character*, works from the collection, Tweed Regional Gallery, Murwillumbah

2010

Paddington Art Prize, Finalist, Sydney | *JADA Jacaranda Drawing Prize*, Finalist, Grafton Regional Gallery | *Salon Des Refuses*, Tweed Regional Gallery, Murwillumbah | *The Distance Between Knowing and Not Knowing*, Art Piece Gallery, Mullumbimby | *The Industrialists*, Tweed Regional Gallery, Murwillumbah | *The Mosman Art Prize*, Finalist, Mosman Art Gallery | The *2010 Northern Rivers Portrait Prize*, Finalist, Lismore Regional Gallery | *Salon Des Refuses*, S.H. Ervin Gallery, Sydney | *Stanthorpe Art Festival*, Finalist, Stanthorpe Regional Gallery, QLD | *Countryscapes*, Chifley Tower, Sydney

2009

Sulman Prize, Finalist, AGNSW, Sydney | *Salon Des Refuses*, S.H. Ervin Gallery, Sydney | *Paddington Art Prize*, Finalist, Sydney | *The Mosman Art Prize*, Finalist, Mosman Art Gallery | *EMSLA, Still Life Award*, Finalist, Coffs Harbour Regional Gallery | *Country Energy Prize for Landscape Painting*, Finalist, Lismore Regional Gallery | *About a Tree*, Art Piece Gallery, Mullumbimby | *The Collectors Paradise Show*, Northern Rivers Community Gallery, Ballina | *Industrialists*, Group show, QDOS Gallery, Lorne | *Hot In The City*, Iain Dawson Gallery, Paddington, Sydney

2008

Salon Des Refuses, S.H. Ervin Gallery, Sydney | *HOME*, Lismore Regional Gallery | *EMSLA, Still Life Award*, Finalist, Coffs Harbour Regional Gallery | *JADA Jacaranda Drawing Prize*, Selected Finalist, Grafton Regional Gallery | *ArtPost*, ABC TV & Regional Arts | *Wish You Were Here, Friends Exhibition*, Tweed Regional Gallery, Murwillumbah | *Mosman Art Prize Exhibition*, Finalist, Mosman Gallery, Sydney | *Solstice*, a winter exhibition, Tim Olsen Gallery, Woollahra | *Salon Des Refuses*, Tweed Regional Gallery, Murwillumbah | *2 X 2*, Tim Olsen Gallery, Woollahra | *Countryscapes*, The Gunner, Woolloomooloo

2007

Country Energy Prize for Landscape Painting, Finalist, Dubbo Regional Gallery | *EMSLA, Still Life Award*, Finalist, Coffs Harbour Regional Gallery | *Hutchins Art Prize*, Finalist, Tasmania | *Macarthur Cook Art Awards*, Finalist, Melbourne | *Solstice*, a winter exhibition, Tim Olsen Gallery, Sydney | *Prometheus Art Exhibition*, Finalist | *JADA Traveling Exhibition*, Tamworth Regional Gallery | *Come Hither: Interpretations of the Boudoir*, Wagga Wagga Art Gallery

2006

AusGallery NSW, Australian Government Trade Commission promotion DVD | *Local Art*, LRG, Byron Bay Writers Festival, Byron Bay | *FEHVA Exhibition* and Auction, Byron Bay Community Centre, Byron Bay | *Identity*, Piece Gallery, Mullumbimby

2005

countryscapes 2005, Parliament of NSW Fountain Court Gallery, Sydney, NSW | *Country Energy Prize for Landscape Painting*, Finalist, Grafton Regional Gallery | *JADA, Jacaranda Drawing Prize* Exhibition, Wagga Wagga Regional Gallery, NSW | *Print Night*, Grafton Regional Gallery | *c.a.s.e...unpacked*, Tweed Regional Gallery, Murwillumbah | *man's best friend*, next contemporary art space, SCU University, Lismore

2004

JADA, Jacaranda Drawing Prize, Finalist, Grafton Regional Gallery | *Lismore Regional Treasures*, Lismore Regional Gallery

2003

The Inaugural Print Night, Grafton Regional Gallery | The *2003 Postcard Show*, Grafton Regional Gallery | *Pink Poodle Art Prize*, Bond University Gallery, QLD

2002

Art as Investment, Lismore Regional Art Gallery | *Erotica [e]*, Print Portfolio, Lismore Regional Art Gallery | *Works in Progress*, Piece Gallery, Mullumbimby, *Doors of Perception*, Piece Gallery, Mullumbimby, NSW

2000 - 1993

Recent Work, TAFE Fine Art Teachers, Lismore Regional Gallery | *Elvis has left the building*, Barebones Art Space, Bangalow | *Still Life*, Art Galleries Schubert, QLD | *Colours of Summer*, Mary-Jo Voight Fine Art Gallery, Sydney | *Hair of the Dog*, Barebones Art Space, Bangalow | *Australian Women Artists*, Art Galleries Schubert | *The Art of Still Life*, Art Galleries Schubert, Marina Mirage | *A cow of an exhibition*, Barebones Art Space, Bangalow | *Traveling Print Show*, Grafton Regional Gallery | *The Art of Pastel*, Art Galleries Schubert, Marina Mirage

Reproduced – Published

- 2013 The Sydney Morning Herald, Spectrum. *More than face value - Salon Des Refuse* review, John McDonald
- 2012 The Sydney Morning Herald, Spectrum. *Salon Des Refuse*, John McDonald
- 2011 The Gold Coast Bulletin, artworld, *noplacelike...* Marina Saint Martin
The Art Life, *A Platform for Legends*, Sharne Wolff
The Northern Star, *Mrs Frisby's Brush with fame*, Dominic Feain
- 2009 The Sydney Morning Herald, Spectrum, Open Gallery, Lissa Christopher
All the way home: Poetry from Byron Bay and beyond / edited by Laura Jan Shore and Bev Sweeney; illustrated by Robyn Sweeney, Dangerously Poetic Press, Byron Bay, NSW
Arts Northern Rivers, VAN Report. *Case study*, Melitta Firth
Sunday Arts – ABC TV, Episode 16
The Sydney Morning Herald, Spectrum, *When losers are winners – Salon Des Refuse*, John McDonald
The Northern Star, Art speak, *Lismore hosts the Country Energy Art Prize*, Steven Alderton
The Northern Star, Border Art Prize, Nerida Woolley
- 2008 Tweed Sun, *Mooball Mastery*
Byron Shire Echo, photo Jeff Dawson
The Sydney Morning Herald, *Full of life, still or otherwise*, John McDonald
ArtPost, ABC TV & Regional Arts, Web profile – Photos & interview David Batty, Rebel films
North Coast ARTS Quarterly, Summer, Artist Profile, Sonia Caeiro
- 2007 Radio National, By Design, Conversation, *House Painter*
Beyond Region: Public Galleries in New South Wales, published by Arts NSW, M&GNSW and the Australia Council
Visual Arts Network News, *Van Speed Dating: First Cabs Off The Rank!* Melitta Firth
Australian Art Collector, *Tim Olsen gets serious*, Carmel Dwyer
artReach Magazine, Melitta Firth
- 2006 *The House Beautiful*, Lisa Byrne, LRG Exhibition Catalogue
The Northern Star, *A year of art - Steven gives us his top ten*, Steven Alderton
North Coast Arts Quarterly, Rosie Lee
Byron Shire Echo, Louise Beaumont
The Northern Star, *A brushstroke in time*, Steven Alderton
The Northern Star, *Is it a book?* Candida Baker
Northern Rivers Arts Quarterly, Spring
Northern Rivers Arts Quarterly, Summer
- 2005 The Northern Star, Fiona Bennell
- 2004 Portland Observer, Josh Nash