

## **JAMES AINSLIE**

James Ainslie's preferred palette is acrylic paint on paper, with the occasional use of mixed media. His forte is modern realism, although he also produces abstract art. Ainslie's paintings resonate with an inherent passion for the country's unique beauty, particularly the sandy dunes and reflective waters of Queensland and South Australia.

Ainslie was born in SA in 1950, graduated in art from the South Australian School of Art and has exhibited throughout Australia and overseas since 1975. Sand and water have always inspired his work, harking back to a childhood in South Australia, spent playing around the Coorong and exploring the huge sand tracts around the Murray River. Now living in Noosa, he has turned his attention to the undulating dunes of Fraser Island and the many beaches along the Sunshine Coast shoreline.

Annual visits to Broome ensure that Kakadu and The Kimberley remain strong influences.

Ainslie was regularly an artist in residence at Ayers Rock, and was invited to represent South Australia in London with 6 other artists, and showed at the Museum of Fine Art in Pasadena, U.S.A. with Ainslie Roberts and Garry Duncan. James won the prestigious Camberwell Flora & Fauna Prize in 1990 and was co-winner of the Barossa Valley Heritage Award.

His work is featured in prestigious collections such as Artbank; BP Australia; Reserve Bank of Australia; Mobil Australia; William Hancock collection, San Francisco; Banker's Trust; Diamond Merchants, South Africa; and many public and private collections worldwide.

### **ARTIST STATEMENT**

As an artist my paintings are a direct result of location.

It is the colours, textures, smells, patterns, in fact the essence of a place that inspires my Images.

The interpretation may be realistic, but often may develop more abstractly.



**JAMES AINSLIE**

**BIOGRAPHY & EDUCATION**

1950 Born, Adelaide SA

Bachelor Fine Art, South Australian School of Art

Now lives and works in Queensland

**RECENT SOLO EXHIBITIONS**

2014 Trio @ Red Hill with Richard Bogus ,R.W Allen

2013 Duo in Gadfly Gallery Perth

Hong Kong Art Fair

Traffic Jam Gallery

2012 Traffic Jam Gallery , Sydney

Kensington Gallery, Adelaide

2011 Gallery Eumundi Q.L.D.

2010 Without Pier Gallery Melbourne

Gallery Eumundi Q.L.D.

Studio 7 , Queensland

2009 Without Pier Gallery Melbourne

Framed Gallery Darwin

2008 Monsoon Gallery W.A.

2007 Monsoon Gallery WA

2006 Pearlers Row Gallery, Broome, W.A.

2005 Pearlers Row Gallery, Broome, W.A

Dridan Fine Arts, Adelaide

2004 Pearlers Row Gallery, Broome, W.A

Without Pier Gallery, Vic

2003 Netanya, Noosa, QLD

Pearlers Row Gallery, Broome, W.A.

Overton's, Adelaide, S.A.

2002 Hyatt Coolum, Qld.

Pearlers Row Gallery, Broome, W.A.

Mulgara Gallery, Ayes Rock, N.T.

2001 Frances Reilly Gallery, Eumundi, QLD

2000 Pearlers Row Gallery, Broome, W.A.

## **RECENT GROUP EXHIBITIONS**

- 2014 Red Hill Gallery Q.L.D.  
Gallery Beneath Q.L.D.  
Art Images  
Gadfly Gallery  
Traffic Jam Gallery Sydney  
Without Pier Gallery  
Manyung Gallery ,Vic.  
Framed Gallery N.T.  
Gallery One G.C.
- 2013 Traffic Jam Gallery  
Without Pier Gallery  
Artworx Gallery S.A.
- 2012 Traffic Jam Gallery Sydney  
Without Pier Gallery Melbourne  
The Gallery Eumundi Qld  
Gallery One Q.L.D.
- 2011 Framed Gallery Darwin  
Without Pier Gallery ,Melb.  
Gallery Eumundi Q.L.D.  
Yalingup Gallery. W.A  
Kensington Gallery Adel  
Gallery one. Q.L.D.  
Traffic Jam Gallery N.S.W.
- 2010 Framed Gallery Darwin  
Without Pier Gallery ,Melb.  
Gallery Eumundi Q.L.D.  
Yalingup Gallery. W.A.
- 2009 Ardleigh Cleveland Gallery Hyatt Regency Q.L.D.  
Without Pier Gallery Melbourne  
Gallery Eumundi, Q.L.D.  
Framed Gallery Darwin
- 2008 Dridan Fine Art S.A.

Design Works Galleria Q.L.D.

Monsoon Gallery W.A.

Yallingup Gallery W.A

Without Pier Gallery Melbourne

Artist in Residence ,Cable Beach Club,Broome W.A

2007 Yallingup Galleries WA

Dridan Fine Arts, Adelaide.

Monsoon Gallery WA

Hyatt Regency QLD

Design Works Galleria Q.L.D.

2005 Yallingup Galleries WA

Pearlers Row, Broome, W.A

Dridan Fine Arts, Adelaide.

Framed Gallery Darwin, N.T. 2006

Yallingup Galleries WA

Pearlers Row, Broome, W.A

Dridan Fine Arts, Adelaide.

Framed Gallery Darwin, N.T

Designworks Galleria QLD

Manyung Gallery VIC

2004 Dridan Fine Arts, Adelaide

Framed Gallery, N.T.

Gullotti Galleries, W.A.

Pearlers Row, Broome, W.A.

2003 Framed Gallery, Darwin, N.T

Design Works Gallery, QLD.

Pearlers Row, Broome, W.A.

Fusions, Noosa, QLD

2002 Maria Perides Gallery Brisbane, QLD

Waterfront Place, Brisbane, QLD.

Dridan Fine Art, McLaren Vale, S.A

Pearlers Row, Broome, WA

Framed Gallery, Darwin, N.T.

Qantas Club, Brisbane, QLD

Francis Reilly Gallery, Eumundi..QLD.

- 2001 Francis Reilly Gallery..Eumundi..QLD.  
Qantas Club Brisbane.
- 2000 Warren De Maria Gallery, Sydney, N.S.W.  
Francis Reilly Gallery, Eumundi, QLD  
Qantas Club, Brisbane, QLD  
Dean Tomlinson Gallery, Brighton, S.A.  
Framed Gallery, Darwin, N.T.

## **PRIZES & AWARDS**

- 2015-14 Finalist, John Villiers Outback Art Prize
- 2013 Highly Commended, Mortimer Prize  
Finalist, Titiara Art Prize
- 2012 Finalist, The Gainsborough Greens Art Awards  
Finalist, John Villiers Waltzing Matilda Art Prize
- 2011 Finalist, Inaugural Gainsborough Greens Art Awards  
Winner Of People Choice Gainsborough Greens Art Awards  
Selected For Art For Art Sake  
Winner, Woolam Waltzing Matilda Outback Art Prize  
Fanalist, Waltzing Matilda Art Prize (2paintings)
- 2010 Winner Of Peoples Choice At Waltzing Matilda Art Prize
- 2010 Finalist, Mortimore Art Prize  
Selected For Tattersals Landscape Art Prize Finals  
Selected For Brisbane Senses Art Exhibition  
Finalist, Waltzing Matilda Art Prize
- 2008 Finalist, Tattersals Landscape Art Prize
- 1993 Co-Winner, Barossa Valley Vintage Festival Heritage Award

## **COLLECTIONS**

Frampton Real Estate Pty Ltd; Artbank; BP Australia; Mobil Oil Australia; Diamond Merchants South Africa; Macquarie Broadcasting; Media Escape Pty Ltd; Kernewek Lowender Collection; Myles Pearce & Co. Pty Ltd; A.M.P. Society; Workcover; St John Council of S.A. Inc; State Bank Collection; Reserve Bank Collection of S.A; Reserve Bank Collection of W.A.; Barossa Valley Heritage Collection; William Hancock Collection; San Francisco, U.S.A.; Samphire Resources Perth Glen Fryer Melbourne; Bankers Trust Australia.

