

Welcome to The Henry Jones Art Hotel. This edition of our art newsletter will keep you up to date with new artwork arriving at the hotel and upcoming local art events that may be of interest to you. Being right on Hobart's waterfront means we're in the heart of Hobart's cultural precinct, with close proximity to visual arts, theatre, the home of Tasmanian Symphony Orchestra & other live music, and seasonal festivals. Our Reception team are always on hand to assist if you're interested in purchasing a Tasmanian artwork to take home and love sharing knowledge on our artists & affiliated galleries. From all of us at The Henry Jones, we sincerely hope your visit is memorable and you leave with a stronger connection to this vibrant place we call home.

- Emine Lewis, Art Curator

ARTIST IN RESIDENCE: SUELLEN SAIDEE COOK

Last month we welcomed Suellen Saidee Cook to The Henry Jones Art Hotel as one of our more established Tasmanian artists, and this month she is undertaking our very first Artist's Residency in the hotel lobby!

Suellen will be working on a new artwork during her time with us and would be thrilled to show you the process and ideas behind it.

Suellen uses her own photographic resources to construct a narrative that taps into the viewer's emotional responses to the world around them. Each image is composed of multiple layers of photographs (sometimes up to 50!) seamlessly melded together to create a new story. Her artworks are mysterious, whimsical and surreal, capturing the viewer's imagination, and drawing them closer to immerse themselves in the detail that is sometimes not immediately evident.

Allow yourself a break from 2020 and dive into Suellen's artworks, which can be found at the hotel reception and various locations throughout the hotel.



SUELLEN SAIDEE COOK, *On a Clear Day*, 2020, Illustrative photography, edition of 30, 54 x 54cm, \$2,950, located in the hotel reception.

NEW ARTWORKS : ROS MEEKER

Ros Meeker is a local print maker living in the beautiful area of Snug. Since graduating from the University of Tasmania's School of Creative Arts, Ros has set up a print making studio in her home allowing her more time and focus for her creative process.

Ros Meeker's artworks are light-hearted motifs, inspired by her surroundings in Tasmania, such as the intricate details of our rugged mountains or the currawongs that frequent the Overland Track. Ros takes joy in creating artworks around puns, her works often embracing their titles, which are inevitably a play on words.

In a new addition to her series *The Fashioning*, Ros 'fashions' landscapes of the Tasmanian wilderness using intricate lace and embroidery. These beautiful artworks, and more, can be found in the print rack on the ground floor of the hotel.



ROS MEEKER, *The Fashioning: Mt Anne*, 2020, steel etching, 48 x 35cm, \$300, located in the hotel print rack.

CURRENT EXHIBITION : LIGHT PLAY

As a visual artist based in Hobart, Tasmania, Jay Song celebrates diversity, identity and acceptance. Body commodity, body culture and the social constructs we have built around the body as an objectified consumable, form the primary basis of Jay's artistic investigations.

Light Play presents an exhibition of new work where light can mean both literal illumination and light-heartedness, while play infers a space where 'sticky learning' takes place: functional and transferable learning of underlying mechanics, rather than surface level information.

Light Play is currently on display in The Packing Room, IXL Atrium. The exhibition is open daily until early February.



Light Play exhibition features evocative mixed media artworks by the talented **JAY SONG**.



SEBASTIAN GALLOWAY, Pearl, 2020, Oil painting on copper, 54 x 54cm, \$4,400, located on Jones & Co. landing. In association with Colville Gallery.

NEW ARTWORKS : SEBASTIAN GALLOWAY

Sebastian Galloway is a Tasmanian oil painter producing work from his home studio in Fern Tree, a beautiful area of forest nestled into the foothills of Hobart's Kunanyi/Mt Wellington.

Sebastian's work presents a highly rendered image with a strong emphasis on detail and realism. His recent series are mesmerizingly beautiful, featuring soft fabrics on highly reflective copper plates.

Sebastian graduated from the University of Tasmania, School of Creative Arts in 2014 and has since completed four solo exhibitions, participated in numerous group exhibitions and been featured as a finalist in several national art prizes.

MONA FESTIVAL : FAUX MO

Museum of Old and New Art's (MONA) summer festival returns with art, music and other great stuff in January 2021, across Hobart and Launceston.

Supporting many local artists as well as international acts, MONA is once again breathing life into Tassie. If you are lucky enough to already have tickets to any of their events, congratulations, if not then best join the waitlist asap! MONA knows how to through a great party... be it a strange one. For more information head to <https://mofo.net.au/>

If you miss out on the festival you can still get the MONA experience Fridays to Mondays at the Museum itself. Talk to our knowledgeable reception staff to assist with bookings or head to the MONA website: <https://www.mona.net.au/>.



MONA's summer festival spans Hobart and Launceston 15-17 Jan and 22-24 Jan.



THE HENRY JONES ART & HISTORY TOUR

The Hotel's Art & History tours commence at 4pm daily from reception. Join our dedicated Art Curator and History Liaison for an informal introduction to the historic hotel as you wander through the old jam factory buildings, taking in the IXL story, the hotel's unique development and the Tasmanian artworks on display.

The tour is complimentary to in-house guests and includes a glass of sparkling at the start of the tour. BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL as numbers are limited, contact reception on 03 6210 7700.

► We are registered for COLLECT, an interest-free loan program that enables you to purchase artworks. So please do keep that in mind as you wander about admiring the many pieces available for sale! Ask for details at reception or online at <http://www.collect-art.com.au/>



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