

ABDUL ABDULLAH

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1986 Born in Perth, Australia
2008 BA (Art), Curtin University of Technology, Australia
2017 MFA, UNSW Art and Design

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2024 Witness, Ames Yavuz, Singapore
Kingdom of Kindness, Home Of The Arts, Gold Coast, Australia
2023 Magical Thinking, Yavuz Gallery, Sydney, Australia
2021 Duo exhibition with Patricia Piccinini, presented by Yavuz Gallery at
West Bund Art & Design, Shanghai, China
2020 Peripheries, duo exhibition with Abdul-Rahman Abdullah, Yavuz Gallery,
Sydney Custodians, presented by Yavuz Gallery at The Armory
Show, Presents Section, New York City, USA
2019 Contested Territories, Yavuz Gallery, Sydney, Australia
The waiting room, presented by Yavuz Gallery at Art Basel Hong Kong,
Kabinett sector, Hong Kong
2018 Jangan Sakiti Hatiku - Don't Break My Heart, Yavuz Gallery, Singapore
2017 Terms of Engagement: Examining the Rhetoric of Radicalisation, UNSW
Galleries, Australia
2016 Burden, Fehily Contemporary, Australia
2015 Coming to Terms, Fehily Contemporary, Australia
2014 I See A Darkness, Future Perfect, Singapore
Siege, Fehily Contemporary, Australia
2013 Homeland, Fehily Contemporary, Australia
2012 Mongrel, Fehily Contemporary, Australia
2011 Them and Us, KINGS Artist-Run, Australia

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2024
2023 Just Not Australian, Museum of Sydney, Australia
The National 4: Australian Art Now, Art Gallery of New South Wales,
Australia
Portrait23: Identity, National Portrait Gallery, Australia
Fairy Tales, Queensland Art Gallery | Gallery of Modern Art,
Australia
2022 Destiny Disrupted, Griffith University Art Museum, Australia

- Canberra Art Biennial, Canberra, Australia
 Interspecies and Other others, Abbotsford Convent, Australia
 Destiny Disrupted, Granville Centre Art Gallery, Australia
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- 2021 Archie 100: A Century of the Archibald Prize, Art Gallery of New South Wales, Australia
- 2020 Ritual: The Past In The Present, Cairns Art Gallery, Australia
 Lee Mingwei: 禮 Li, Gifts and Rituals, Gropius Bau Museum, Berlin, Germany
 Closer than they appear, Yavuz Gallery, Sydney, Australia
 Monster Theatres, Adelaide Biennial of Australian Art, Art Gallery of South Australia
- 2019 Violent Salt, touring exhibition, Art Space Mackay, Australia; Noosa Regional Gallery, Australia; Toowoomba Regional Art Gallery, Australia
 STOLEN/WEALTH, Wyndham Art Gallery, Melbourne, Australia
 Body Politics, Bendigo Art Gallery, Bendigo, Australia
 Lupercalia, Adelaide Central Gallery, Adelaide, Australia
 Marriage: Love + Law, Penrith Regional Gallery, Penrith, Australia
 Weapons for a soldier, Araluen Arts Centre, Alice Springs, Australia
 National Anthem, Buxton Contemporary, Melbourne, Australia
 Just Not Australian, Artspace, Sydney, Australia
 Stories We Tell To Scare Ourselves With, Museum of Contemporary Art, Taipei, Taiwan
- 2018 WORD, Hugo Michell Gallery, Adelaide, Australia
 ENOUGH صلاح KHALAS, UNSW Galleries, Australia
 Infinite conversations, National Gallery Australia, Canberra
 Archibald, Wynne and Sulman Prizes 2018 exhibition, Art Gallery of New South Wales, Australia
 DIASPORA: Exit, Exile, Exodus of Southeast Asia, MALLAM Contemporary Art Museum, Chiang Mai, Thailand
 Waqt al-tagheer: Time of change, ACE Open, Adelaide, Australia
 All We Can't See: Illustrating the Nauru Files, Yellow House Sydney, Australia
 Gebrochene Welten, Galerie oqbo, Berlin, Germany
- 2017 Gebrochene Welten, Kunstverein Gera, Gera, Germany
 Dark Horizons, Pataka Art+Museum, Porirua City, New Zealand
 Young & Free, Bega Valley Regional Gallery, Australia
 Looking at me through you, Campbelltown Arts Centre, Australia
 Archibald, Wynne and Sulman Prizes 2017 exhibition, Art Gallery of New South Wales, Australia
 I am, you are, we are, they are, Peacock Gallery, Australia
 Know Your Neighbour, The Lock-Up, Australia
- 2016 Primavera at 25, Museum of Contemporary Art, Australia
 Jogja Calling, 4A Centre of Contemporary Asian Art, Australia
 Dead Centre, Spectrum Project Space, Australia
 The Public Body, Artspace, Australia
 Beauty and the Beast: The Animal in Photography, Museum of Photographic Arts, San Diego, United States
 Painting. More Painting, Australian Centre of Contemporary Art, Australia
 Fraud Complex, Westspace, Australia
 Here&Now16, Lawrence Wilson Gallery, Australia

Embrace, Kunstraum LLC, New York, United States

- 2015 Asia Pacific Triennial, Gallery of Modern Art, Australia
Primavera, Museum of Contemporary Art, Australia
Epic Narratives - PICA Salon, Perth Institute of Contemporary Art, Australia
Post-Hybrid; Re-imagining the Australian Self, John Curtin Gallery, Australia
24SEVEN Screen, Lawrence Wilson Gallery, Australia
WA Focus: Abdul Abdullah and Abdul-Rahman Abdullah, The Art Gallery of Western Australia
The Skin Off Our Time, Contemporary Art Centre of South Australia
Fair is Foul & Foul is Fair, Turner Gallery, Australia
- 2014 Sealed Section, Artbank, Australia
Domestic Departures, Chalk Horse Gallery, Australia
The List, Campbelltown Arts Centre, Australia
- 2013 Being Eurasian, Fremantle Arts Centre, Australia
ORIENTing, Lawrence Wilson Gallery, Australia
Homecoming, Fehily Contemporary
The Social, Campbelltown Art Centre, Australia
Interregna, MOANA ARI, Australia
- 2012 Beyond Likeness, Lawrence Wilson Gallery, Australia
The Greater Asia Co-Prosperity Sphere, Perth, Australia

AWARDS AND HONOURS

- 2023 Finalist, Archibald Prize
Finalist, Ramsay Prize
- 2022 Winner, IMAGinE award, Museum and Galleries of NSW
- 2020 Curtin University Alumni award for excellence in the Humanities Finalist, Archibald Prize
Winner, Australian Muslim Achievement Award, Creative Artist
Finalist, Archibald Prize
Finalist, Sulman Prize
- 2019 Winner, Australian Muslim Artists Art Prize
Finalist, Wynne Prize
Finalist, Sulman Prize
- 2018 Shortlist, Australian Pavilion, Venice Biennale
Finalist, Sulman Prize
- 2017 Finalist, Sulman Prize
Finalist, Guirguis New Art Prize
- 2016 Western Australian Multicultural Recognition Award
Finalist, Basil Sellers Art Prize
Finalist, Archibald Prize
Finalist, Sulman Prize
Finalist, Brett Whiteley Travelling Art Scholarship

- 2015 Finalist, Sovereign Art Prize Hong Kong Here&Now16,
- 2014 First Prize, Linden Postcard Show
 Finalist, Archibald Prize
 Finalist, John Fries Award
 Finalist, Western Australian of the Year Youth Award
 Shortlist, Rockhampton Gold Award
 Finalist, Black Swan Prize for Portraiture
 Victoria Park Art Award for Excellence and People's Choice Award
- 2013 Finalist, Bowness Prize, Australia
 Finalist, Blake Prize, Australia
 Finalist, Archibald Prize, Australia
- 2012 Finalist, Fisher's Ghost Art Award
 Finalist, Metro Art Award
 Finalist, City of Melbourne Besen Family Foundation Grant for Arts
 Finalist, Culture Black Swan Prize for Portraiture, Australia
- 2011 Blake Prize for Human Justice, Blake Prize
 Finalist, Archibald Prize
- 2010 Finalist, Black Swan Prize for Portraiture, Perth Town Hall, Australia
- 2009 Winner, Observing the Human Form, City of Swan, National Youth Self
 Portrait Prize,
 Finalist, Highly Commended, National Portrait Gallery, Canberra, Australia
 Finalist, Black Swan Prize for Portraiture, Perth Town Hall, Australia

GRANTS AND RESIDENCIES

- 2021 Marten Bequest Scholarship
 Open Studio, Queensland Art Gallery | Gallery of Modern Art,
 Australia
 Quick Response Grant, Create NSW
- 2017 Arts Project Grant, Australia Council for the Arts 2016 Artist Support
 Grant, Create NSW
 4A Centre for Contemporary Asian Art Yogyakarta Residency
- 2015 UNSW Art and Design Grant
- 2014 Art Flight, Australia Department of Culture and the Arts
 Campbelltown Arts Centre Residency
- 2013 Artist in Residence, The University of Western Australia
 Development Grant, Western Australia Department of Culture and the
 Arts 2012
 Perth Institute of Contemporary Art Residency
 New Work Grant, Western Australian Department of Culture and the Arts
 Interarts Grant, Australia Council for the Arts
 Arts Project Grant, City of Melbourne
 Besen Family Foundation Grant for Arts and Culture
- 2011 Quick Response Grant, Western Australia Department of Culture and the
 Arts
 Kickstart 2011 Grant, Next Wave Festival
 Janet Holmes à Court Artists' Grant

2010 Young Artist's Grant, City of Melbourne

COLLECTIONS

The National Gallery of Australia, Australia
The Art Gallery of Western Australia, Australia
The Art Gallery of South Australia, Australia
Queensland Art Gallery | Gallery of Modern Art, Australia
The Museum of Contemporary Art, Australia
Artbank, Australia
ANZ, Australia
Murdoch University, Australia
Islamic Museum of Australia, Australia
Lawrence Wilson Gallery, The University of Western Australia, Australia
The Bendigo Art Gallery, Australia
Campbelltown Arts Centre, Australia
The Town of Victoria Park, Australia
National Gallery of Victoria, Australia
Darebin Art Collection, Australia
University of Queensland Art Museum, Australia
MAMAM Contemporary Art Museum, Thailand
Winston Art Group, USA