

ANNE-MARIE MAY

Born 1965 Naarm, Melbourne, Australia Lives and works Naarm, Melbourne, Australia

EDUCATION

2020

Doctor of Philosophy, Fine Art, Monash University, Melbourne

1987

Bachelor of Fine Arts (Painting), Victoria College, Melbourne

1984

Foundation Year Art and Design, Victoria College, Melbourne

1988

First exhibition: Gertrude Contemporary, Melbourne.

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2025

At the still point of the turning world, Sumer Gallery, Auckland (2-person show, with Stephen Bambury Sutton Gallery, Melbourne

2023

Felt Paintings, Hamish McKay Gallery, Wellington FREE JAZZ, Haydens, Melbourne Ō-BLĒK, Conner Conner, Melbourne

2021

Murray White Room, Melbourne Everyday Joyful is Mobile, Shepparton Art Gallery

2020

Inside Out: Space and Process, McClelland Sculpture Gallery, Langwarrin

2019

Making and Undoing, MADA Gallery, Monash University, Melbourne

2018

Hook Me Up (synaesthesia), Recital Centre, Melbourne

2017

Murray White Room, Melbourne

2015

Murray White Room, Melbourne Ten Cubed, Melbourne

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Murray White Room, Melbourne

2011

Murray White Room, Melbourne

2009

Murray White Room, Melbourne

2007

Murray White Room, Melbourne Hamish McKay Gallery, Wellington

2005

Hamish McKay Gallery, Wellington

2004

Michael Lett, Auckland Heide Museum of Modern Art, Melbourne

2003

Hamish McKay Gallery, Wellington

2002

Sarah Cottier Gallery, Sydney Room 401, Auckland

2000

Sarah Cottier Gallery, Sydney

1999

Sarah Cottier Gallery, Sydney Patrizia Autore Gallery, Melbourne

1998

CBD Gallery, Sydney First Floor Gallery, Melbourne

1997

Sarah Cottier Gallery, Sydney

1996

Sarah Cottier Gallery, Sydney CBD Gallery, Sydney

1994

200 Gertrude Street, Melbourne CBD Gallery, Melbourne

1993

No. 135, Store 5, Melbourne



No. 108, Store 5, Melbourne

1991

First Draft/West, Sydney No. 96, Store 5, Melbourne No. 97, Store 5, Melbourne

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2025

A Fictional Retrospective: Gertrude's First Decade 1985-1995, Gertrude Contemporary, Melbourne. Strata, Lorne Sculpture Biennale, Lorne, Victoria

2024

Pliable Planes: Expanded Textile and Fibre Practices, Latrobe Institute of Art, Bendigo, Grafton Regional Gallery, Grafton Finalist, Bayside Painting Prize, Bayside Gallery, Brighton

2023

Soft Furnishing, CAVES, Melbourne.

Pliable Planes: Expanded Textile and Fibre Practices, Ballarat Art Museum, Ballarat, Dubbo Art Gallery, Dubbo, Fremantle Arts Centre, Freemantle

Sculpture Thinking, Thinking Sculpture, Branching Universe, Melbourne

Hamish McKay, Wellington

2022

Pliable Planes: Expanded Textile and Fibre Practices, UNSW Gallery, Sydney Loose, Mejia, Melbourne Text Tile, Caves, Melbourne

2021

Connecting the World Through Sculpture- Part 3, In the Air, Monash Museum of Modern Art, Melbourne

2020

House Arrest, Neon Parc, Melbourne

2019

Drawing Folio 3: Abstraction, Blockprojects, Melbourne

Black and White, Hamish McKay, Wellington

Recent Acquisitions from the Deakin University Art Collection, Deakin University Art Gallery, Melbourne Model, Murray White Room, Melbourne

2018

Pictures made of wool, Gertrude Contemporary, Melbourne.

Murray White Room, Melbourne Art Fair

Spring 1883, The Hotel Windsor, Melbourne

Still Life, Part 1. Irene Rose Gallery, Melbourne

Monochrome: Empty and Full, Margaret Lawrence Gallery, Victoria College of the Arts, Melbourne

Deakin University Small Sculpture Prize Finalist Exhibition

Woollahra Small Sculpture Prize Finalist Exhibition



Group05, Murray White Room, Melbourne Every Brilliant Eye: Australian Art of the 1990s, National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne Spring 1883, The Establishment Hotel, Sydney The World is Waiting for Sunrise, TCB, Melbourne

2016

Spring 1883, The Hotel Windsor, Melbourne A Collecting Vision: Ten Cubed, Glen Eira City Council Gallery Spring 1883, The Establishment Hotel, Sydney The Kaleidoscopic Turn, National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne

2014

Pattern, Glen Eira City Council Gallery, Caulfield Spring 1883, The Hotel Windsor, Melbourne 20/200, Sarah Cottier Gallery, Sydney Girls Abstraction, Hamish McKay Gallery, Wellington Murray White Room, Art Basel Hong Kong 2014

Murray White Room, Art Basel Hong Kong 2015

Melbourne Now, National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne Everyday, Murray White Room, Melbourne Murray White Room, Sydney Contemporary 13, Sydney Murray White Room, Art Basel Hong Kong 2013 Test Pattern, University Art Gallery, The University of Sydney, Sydney

2012

Drawing: Anne-Marie May and Rose Nolan, Hamish McKay Gallery, Wellington Less is More: Minimal and Post-Minimal Art in Australia, Heide Museum of Modern Art, Melbourne Test Pattern, Margaret Lawrence Gallery, VCA, Melbourne Drawing Folio 2: Ruler, Pencil + Time, Blockprojects, Melbourne

2011

GROUP04, Murray White Room, Melbourne Let in the Light, Hamish Mackay Gallery, Wellington

2010

GROUP 03, Murray White Room, Melbourne Let in Light, Hamish McKay Gallery, Wellington

2009

Drawing Folio, curated by John Nixon and Justin Andrews, Blockprojects, Melbourne

PREVIEW 09, Murray White Room, Melbourne

2008

GROUP 01, Murray White Room, Melbourne Plastic Theory, Peleton, Sydney Flash, Linden Centre for Contemporary Arts, Melbourne



Are You Being Flocked?, The Carlton Hotel, Melbourne

2006

21st Century Modern, 2006 Biennale of Australian Art, Art Gallery of South Australia, Adelaide Act Natural, Raft Artspace, Darwin Just Painting, Auckland Art Gallery Toi o Tamaki, Auckland

2005

Pitch Your Own Tent, Monash University Museum of Art, Melbourne Store 5 is . . . , Anna Schwartz Gallery, Melbourne www., Kaliman Gallery, Sydney Welcome to Sydney, Sno, Sydney Michael Lett, Auckland

2004

Multiples, Hamish McKay Gallery, Wellington

2003

Picnic, Melbourne Living Museum of the West, Melbourne Goddard de Fiddes, Perth Ten, Sarah Cottier Gallery, Sydney

2002

First Floor, Melbourne

Paperwork2, Sarah Cottier Gallery, Sydney 2000 Floor Show, Den Frie, Copenhagen MicroCosmos, Pb Gallery, Swinburne College, Melbourne Crystal Chain Gang, Auckland Art Gallery, Auckland Uncommon World, National Gallery of Australia, Canberra

1999

Patent, RMIT Project Space, Melbourne

1998

No. 4 Wangaratta St, Richmond, Melbourne
Sekai kara kurisumasu meseji, Gallery Chika, Tokyo
Fragments—Renga, Galerie Ou, Osaka, and Street Gallery, Kobe
Performance Space, Sydney
Ornamentalism, Institute of Modern Art, Brisbane
Geometric Painting in Australia, University of Queensland Art Gallery, Brisbane
Fragments—Relation, Gallery Lunami, Tokyo

1996

Raindrops on Roses, Sarah Cottier Gallery, Sydney Unpainting, David Pestorious Gallery, Brisbane Aerophost, The Debtors Prison, Dublin

1995

Tony Clark, Diena Geogetti and Anne-Marie May, First Floor, Melbourne Primavera: The Belinda Jackson Exhibition of Young Artists, Museum of Contemporary Art, Sydney

NEW ZEALAND



Monash University Art Prize, Monash University Art Gallery, Melbourne Videonale, Kunstverin, Bonn

1994

Untitled 1994, Hamish McKay Gallery, Wellington & Centre for Contemporary Art, Hamilton Colour, Anna Schwartz Gallery, Melbourne Store 5, Institute of Modern Art, Brisbane Loop, Next Wave Festival, Melbourne Already Painting, Sarah Cottier Gallery, Sydney

1993

Drawings, No.128 Store 5, Melbourne Kaleidoscope, Residence No.3, Sydney

1992

Abstract Art, Roslyn Oxley9 Gallery, Sydney Octopus, University of South Australia Art Museum, Adelaide

1991

Language Faith and Possibilities, 200 Gertrude Street, Melbourne Production, Institute of Modern Art, Brisbane The Subversive Stitch, Monash University Gallery, Melbourne & Mori Gallery Annexe, Sydney Magasin 5, Gallerie Cannibal Pierce, Paris No. 100, Store 5, Melbourne No. 101, Store 5, Melbourne New/Abstract, Tolarno Gallery, Melbourne

1990

Where the Footpath Ends and the Freeway Begins, No.63 Store 5, Melbourne

1989

Resistance, Gertrude Contemporary, Melbourne No.11, Store 5, Melbourne A3 #20 (Photocopies), No. 31, Store 5, Melbourne Other Photography#2, Store 5, Melbourne

1988

Vasari Revisited, Gertrude Contemporary, Melbourne

COMMISSIONED WORKS

2023

Polyphony, Australian Catholic University, Melbourne

2022

Rhythmic Unfolding, Home Apartments, Melbourne.

Azolla Spectrum, 300 George St, Melbourne

2020

Free Fall (composite spectrum), Deloitte Art Collection, Melbourne

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Infinity Loop (oscillating flow), Deloitte Art Collection, Melbourne

2016

Untitled, Ivanhoe Grammar, Melbourne

2015

Hema Spectrum, Biological Sciences Department, Monash University, Melbourne

2014

The 2014 Gertrude Edition, Gertrude Contemporary, Melbourne.

2012

Untitled, Ariel Apartments, Melbourne, Wood Marsh Architects

2009

Hong Kong client, Bates Smart Architects

2006

Untitled, Canvas, Melbourne, Elenberg Fraser Architects

GRANTS/AWARDS

2003

Australia Council Skills & Arts Development Grant,

2004

Project Residency, Gertrude Contemporary, Melbourne

1999

Australia Council New Work, Project Grant

1998

Arts Victoria, Export and Touring Program, Tokyo

1997

Australia Council Project Grant, Tokyo Studio Residency

1989-91

Studio Artist, Gertrude Contemporary, Melbourne

COLLECTIONS

Artbank, Australia

Art Gallery of Western Australia, Perth

Australian Taxation Office, Melbourne

Chartwell Collection, Auckland Art Gallery Toi o Tamaki, Auckland

Deakin University, Melbourne

Deloitte Art Collection, Melbourne

Freemantle Arts Centre, Fremantle

Geelong Gallery, Geelong

Heide Museum of Modern Art, Melbourne

Holmesglen Institute, Melbourne

McClelland Art Gallery, Langwarrin, Victoria



Monash University Museum of Art, Melbourne Museum of Contemporary Art Australia, Sydney National Gallery of Australia, Canberra National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne Ten Cubed Collection, Melbourne University of Melbourne, Melbourne

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Barnes, C. Elaborating the terms, The practice of abstraction in some recent art, ex. cat, Geometric Painting in Australia 1941 – 1997, University Art Museum, University of Queensland, 1997.

Barnes, C. Exhibition as Material Proposition, Broadsheet Vol. 20, No. 4, 1991.

Barnes, C. Store 5, ex. cat, Institute of Modern Art, Brisbane 1994

Barnes, C. The Practice of Abstraction, ex. cat, Abstract Art, Roslyn Oxley9 Gallery, Sydney 1999.

Barnes, C. The Identity of Art, ex. cat, Octopus, University of South Australia Art Museum 1992.

Clark- Coolee, B. The Silence of Painting ex.cat, Sarah Cottier Gallery, Sydney 1996.

Crawford, A. The Herald 16 May 1989.

Cramer, S. ex. cat, Anne-Marie May, 200 Gertrude St, Melbourne 1994.

Cramer, S. ex. cat, Primavera, Museum of Contemporary Art, Sydney 1995.

Cramer, S. Anne-Marie May: Post-minimal forming, Art & Australia, 50th Anniversary issue, Vol 50, No. 4, 2013

Cramer, S. ex cat, SOFT FURNISHING: Anne-Marie May and Isabella Darcy, CAVES, Melbourne, 2023.

Cruikshank, A. 21st Century Modern, Interview with Linda Michael, Broadsheet, Vol. 35, No.1.

Heathcote, C. The Age 19, June 1991.

James, B. The Age, 18 October 1995.

James, B. The Sydney Morning Herald, July 17 1999.

Khan, J. Anne-Marie May, 21st Century Modern, 2006 Adelaide Biennial of Australian Art.

King, N. The Subversive Stitch, ex. cat, Monash University Museum of Art, Melbourne, 1991.

Kleinert, S. On the idea of Being Subversive, Craft NSW,

Koop, S. Art & Text No. 48 1994.

Lang, R. Language Faith and Possibilities, ex cat, 200 Gertrude St Melbourne 1991.

Lawrie, S. Anne-Marie May: Sensing Space, ex cat Inside Out: Space and Process, McClelland Sculpture Park and Gallery, Langwarrin, 2020.

McNamara, A. Ornamentalism, ex cat, Institute of Modern Art, Brisbane, 1997.

McKenzie, R. The Local Group, Store 5 1989 – 1993.' ex cat., Pitch your own tent, Monash University Museum of Art, Melbourne, 2005.

Michael, L. Anne-Marie May at Heide II, ex cat, Heide Museum of Modern Art, Melbourne 2004.

Murray, K. Contemporary Twists, Craft Victoria, October/ November 1991.

Murray, K. foreword and interview, ex. cat, Anne-Marie May, 2002.

Nixon, E. Free Jazz, ex cat, Haydens, Melbourne, 2023.

Rooney R. The Weekend Australian February 26-27 1994.

Rule, D. In the Galleries, The Age, 18 June 2011

Pascal, J. ex cat, Murray White Room, 2007.

Smith, A, Things extreme and Scattring Bright, ex. cat, The Crystal Chain Gang. Auckland Art Gallery 2000.

Stanhope, Z. Interview, ex. cat, Heide Museum of Modern Art. Melbourne 2004.

Sullivan, E. 'Modernism is back', Art Monthly Australia, No. 190, June 2006.



ARTIST PUBLICATIONS AND WRITING

Store 5, Nos 1–20, Store 5, Melbourne, 1989.
Artist Page, Rosebud #2, Store 5, Melbourne, 1989.
Artist Page, Circular No. 1 & 3, Melbourne, 1993–94.
Artist Page, Material, Sydney, 1998.
Patent, exh. cat., RMIT Project Space, Melbourne, 1999.
Floor Show, exh. cat., Den Frie, Copenhagen, 2000.
Anne-Marie May, self-published, Sydney, 2002.
Artist Page, Slave Magazine, Melbourne, 2004.
Store 5, Vol. 1 – Texts, exh. cat., Anna Schwartz Gallery, Melbourne, 2005.