

## **MELINDA HARPER**

1965 Born Darwin, Australia

1982 - 1985 Bachelor of Art (Fine Art Painting), Victoria College, Melbourne

## **SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS**

2021 Olsen Gallery, Sydney

Olsen Gallery, New York

2019 New Tapestries, New Northern, Castlemaine Festival

2017 Paintings, NKN Gallery Richmond

New Works, Tim Olsen Gallery, Sydney

2015 New Paintings, NKN Gallery Richmond

Colour Sensation The Works of Melinda Harper, A Survey exhibition, Heide  
Museum of Modern Art

Embroideries, Woodbine Gallery, Malmsbury

2013 New Paintings, Block Projects, Richmond, Melbourne

2012 Everything Nothing Projects, Canberra

New Screen Prints, Block Projects, Richmond

2011 Tim Olsen Gallery, Sydney

Pestorius Sweeney House, Brisbane Important Early Paintings

2009 BMG, Gallery, Adelaide

2008 Spectra, Nellie Castan Gallery, Melbourne

Tim Olsen Gallery, Sydney

Sofitel, Global Art projects, Melbourne

2006 Tim Olsen Gallery, Sydney

2005 Recent Work, Anna Schwartz Gallery, Melbourne

Tim Olsen Gallery, Sydney

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2004 Sweeney House, David Pestorius, Brisbane

2003 Works on paper, Sweeney House, David Pestorius Brisbane

2002 Jan Murphy Gallery, Brisbane

Hamish McKay Gallery, Wellington, New Zealand

Boomerang House, Open Studio

2000 Melbourne ARTfair

Anna Schwartz Gallery, Melbourne

1999 Anna Schwartz Gallery, Melbourne

1997 Anna Schwartz Gallery, Melbourne

CNR, Melbourne

Jenson Gallery, Wellington, New Zealand

1996 Anna Schwartz Gallery, Melbourne

1994 Anna Schwartz Gallery, Melbourne

CBD Gallery, Sydney

1993 City Gallery, Melbourne

#136, Store 5, Melbourne

1992 200 Gertrude Street, Melbourne

#116, Store 5, Melbourne

1991 #89, Store 5, Melbourne

1990 #69, Store 5, Melbourne

Institute of Modern Art, Brisbane

1989 #17, Store 5, Melbourne

1987 Pinacotheca, Melbourne

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## **SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS**

2025 Summer Curated, Olsen Gallery, Sydney

2018 *mga, antipodean emanations camera less photographs from Australia and New Zealand*  
Internal Forces, Riddoch Gallery Mount Gambier, SA  
ON THE GROUND, Phyllis Palmer Gallery, La Trobe Bendigo  
2x2 Tim Olsen Gallery, Sydney

2017 CALL OF THE AVANT-GARDE CONSTRUCTIVISM & Australian Art, Heide  
Museum of Modern Art, Melbourne  
The Colour, the shape, NKN Gallery  
Internal Forces, Painting, praxis Artspace, Adelaide  
Abstraction: Celebrating Australian Women Artists, Travelling Exhibition

2016 Painting, More Painting, ACCA, Melbourne

2013 Melbourne NOW, NGV, Melbourne  
NAVEL-GAZING, UTOPIAN SLUMPS, Melbourne

2012 DRAWING Folio 2 – Ruler, Pencil, Line, Block Projects, Melbourne  
Everything Nothing Projects, Melinda Harper & Carlton Ware  
Photographic Abstractions, MGA, Melbourne  
Shifting Geometries, Embassy of Australia, Washington DC

2011 ASPEN Island, Neon Parc, Melbourne  
Forever Young, 30 Years of the Heide Collection, Heide Museum of Modern Art, Melbourne

2010 The Shilo Project, Ian Potter Gallery, Melbourne

2009 Australian Cubism, Heide Museum of Modern Art, Melbourne

2008 Taking a Line, VAVASOUR GODKIN Gallery, Auckland, NZ  
Later, The Carlton Hotel & Studios, Melbourne

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Contemporaneous: Australian Contemporary Painting, Wangaratta Regional Gallery, and Victoria

Australia-Contemporary Non-Objective Art, Museum im Kulturspeicher, Wurburg, Germany

2007 Combine, Janet Burchill, Jennifer Mccamley, Melinda Harper, Heide Museum of Modern Art, Melbourne

Australia-Contemporary Non-Objective Art, Bonn, Germany

2006 Heart and Mind, Tarra Warra Museum of Art, Victoria

Yours, Mine and Ours: 50 Years of the ABC, Penrith Regional Gallery and Lewers Bequest

2005 Store 5 is...Anna Schwartz Gallery, Melbourne

Pitch Your Own Tent: Art Projects/Store 5/1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Monash Museum of Art, Melbourne

2004 The Redlands Westpac Art Prize, Mosman, Sydney

Talking about Abstraction, Ivan Dougherty Gallery, Sydney

Three-way Abstraction: Works from the Monash University Gallery

2003 Picnic, Melbourne's Living Museum of the West Inc, Melbourne

Alchemy, Jan Murphy Gallery, Brisbane

The First Beijing International Biennale, China Museum of Fine Arts, Beijing, China

Untitled: Abstraction, Art Gallery of NSW

2002 Good Vibrations; the legacy of Op Art in Australia, Heide Museum of Modern Art

Katharina Grosse, Melinda Harper, Michael Parekowhai, Gow Langsford Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand

Yellow, David Pestorius Gallery, Brisbane

2001 Love Color, Studio 91B, Adelaide

2000 Warm Filters, CASA, Adelaide Festival, Adelaide

The Crystal Chain Gang, Auckland City Gallery, Auckland, NZ

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1999 Kerrie Poliness, Melinda Harper, Fabrics, Anna Schwartz Gallery

1998 Primavera, The Belinda Jackson Exhibition of Young Artists, MCA, Sydney  
Stephen Bram, Gary Wilson, Rose Nolan, Melinda Harper, Level 2, AGNSW

1997 Geometric painting in Australia 1941-1997, University Art Museum

1996 Spirit and Place, Art in Australia, 1861-1996, Museum of Contemporary Art, Sydney

1995 Moet Chandon Traveling Exhibition, AGNSW

1994 Melbourne Seven, David Pestorius Gallery, Brisbane

1993 Australian Perspecta, AGNSW

1992 The Caboose, Art Multiplicata, Sydney  
Octopus, University of South Australia, Adelaide

1991 Subversive Stitch, Monash University Gallery

1990 New Melbourne Abstraction, Art Space, Auckland

1989 Resistance, 200 Gertrude Street, Melbourne

1988 Quartet of Modern Art, Brisbane

1986 Geometric Abstraction, Australian Centre for Contemporary Art, Melbourne

### **COMMISSIONS, RESIDENCY AND PROJECTS**

2020 New Work Grant, Regional Creative Victoria

2018 Residency at Jacky Winters Gardens, Belgrave

2012 Artist in Residence, Carey Baptist Grammar Melbourne

2011 Residency at The Australian Tapestry Workshop, Melbourne

2006 Residency at St Mary's, Penrith, NSW

2002 Australia Council Grant New Work Grant

2001 Residency at The Boomerang House, Eltham

2000 Australia Council Residency in Barcelona, Spain

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1999 Women Grants, Arts Victoria, collaboration with Kerrie Poliness to produce a range of Fabrics

1993 Curated an Exhibition for the NEXT Wave Festival, Melbourne

1986 Curates Exhibition Resistance 200 Gertrude Street, Melbourne

## **COLLECTIONS**

Heide, Museum of Modern Art

Hamilton Regional Art Gallery

Ararat Regional Art Gallery

Geelong Art Gallery

The National Gallery, Canberra

The Chartwell Collection, Auckland, NZ

National Gallery, Victoria

Art Gallery of NSW

Art Gallery, SA

National Gallery of Western Australia

Artbank

Monash University

Queensland University Gallery

Mornington Regional Art Gallery

Gold Coast City Art Gallery

University of Queensland

Parliament House, Canberra

Private and Corporate Collections

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