

## Neil Ernest Tomkins

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### Education

2011 Charlie Sheard Studio School  
2008-10 Sydney Collage of the Arts BVA *Painting*  
2007-08 Wollongong University BVA *Painting / Print*

### Prizes

2020 Archibald Portrait Prize Finalist  
2020 Kangaroo Valley Art Prize  
2019 Sea Change Art Prize Finalist exhibition  
2016 Waverly Art Prize Finalist exhibition  
2015 Fishers Ghost Art Award Finalist exhibition  
2014 Wall to Wall Awarded 3rd place  
2013 Out of Sight Awarded 1st place  
2011 Glebe Art Prize Youth Art Prize Winner

### Solo Exhibitions

2020 Now Here.Nowhere – Maunsell Wickes Gallery NSW  
2019 This Dream Called Reality – 17 Oxford St NSW  
2019 The Long Walk Home – Day Fine Gallery NSW  
2019 Synergy Collaborations – Studio Gallery VIC  
2018 This Could be Your Colour – Raizvanguardia PT  
2018 The Veil – New Standard Gallery NSW  
2017 Tomkins at Sea – Private Boat showing NSW  
2017 Rising Dark – New Standard Gallery NSW  
2016 A Deep Rumble – New Standard Gallery NSW  
2014 East of Eventuality – Ginkgo Gallery NSW  
2013 Neil E Tomkins – Ginkgo Gallery NSW  
2010 SCA grad Show – Sydney Collage of Arts NSW  
2010 Animals and Landscape – Mil's Gallery NSW  
2008 Birds and Friends – Abattoir Gallery NSW  
2007 New and Old Work – Long Gallery NSW

### Group Exhibitions

2020 Studio Direct – Micheal Reid Gallery NSW  
2019 The Paper Salon – Ambush Gallery NSW  
2018 Paper and Canvas – New Standard Gallery NSW  
2017 June – New Standard Gallery NSW  
2017 Lost Horizons – Alpha Gallery NSW  
2016 Higher Ground – Kinokuniya NSW  
2015 Art Parked – Artesian 4 NSW  
2014 We, The Muse – Ambush gallery NSW

2012	Outpost Festival – Cockatoo Island	NSW
2011	Communicating with Rocks – Mils Gallery	NSW
2011	New Blue Moon – Hibernian House	NSW
2009	Two Young Painters – Cat & Fiddle	NSW
2007	Ten Young Artists – Project Gallery	NSW

### **Collections**

Neil Tomkins work is held in Private collections Nationally in NSW, VIC, QLD & TAS and Internationally in USA, MX, PT, FR, DE, MN & IN.

### **Residencies**

2018	Milton Post Office Residency	NSW
2018	Raizvanguardia Artist Residency <i>Góis</i>	PT
2018	Unconformity Festival Residency	TAS
2017	Q Bank Artists Residency <i>Queenstown</i>	TAS
2015	El Ray Private Residency <i>Mazunte</i>	MX

### **Selected Engagements**

2019	Mural in a Day – Arts Education
2019	Newtown PS – Arts Education
2018	Mural at Jarjum PS – Arts Education
2017-18	Gallery Director – Alpha Gallery
2017	Currambena – Arts Education
2016	Street Creatures – Program Facilitator
2015	Mural Program MELB – Project Facilitator
2014	Dulwich Hill PS – Arts Education
2013	Screen Print Course Naidoc - Teacher
2012	Matching Grants – Program Facilitator
2011	Charlie Sheard Intern

A long-standing & productive residency at the Annandale Higher Ground Studios continues to be host to his exploration of painting, mark making & his continued play with the notions of these themes. His current subject matters are focusing on: Australian & South American Landscapes, Expressive Portraiture and Still Life. Tomkins goal is to explore the malleable nature of expressionism. Having been labeled as both an impressionist and an expressionist by various features in media throughout his ten-year career. His overall goal is to create a balance between these two schools of practice.

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