

South Coast based artist, David Manks is a graduate of TAFE NSW, the City Art Institute (now UNSW) and holds a Master of Creative Arts, University of Wollongong. Exhibiting professionally since 1989, he has been awarded numerous Art prizes with his work being featured regularly in articles and publications.

Much of David's work is grounded in the environment surrounding his home in the Illawarra region.

*My work is based primarily on my local environment... It is my intention to create a sense of 'place' in my work by reducing and deconstructing the subject matter to give the viewer not just a visual memory but an evocative sense of being there and experiencing that place.*

Manks' work has been selected as a finalist in major Australian art prizes, including in the Mosman Art prize, the Camden Art Prize, the Fleurieu Art Prize, and the Paddington Art Prize.

His work is held in numerous Private and Public Collections in Australia, Dubai, New Zealand, United Kingdom, China, Netherlands and the United States.

### Solo Exhibitions *(Recent Selected)*

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| 2025 | <i>(upcoming)</i> Artsite Contemporary, Camperdown, Sydney, NSW. |
| 2022 | Hazelhurst Arts Centre, Gymea, NSW.                              |
| 2019 | Tweed Regional Gallery, Murwillumbah, NSW.                       |
| 2008 | Vision & Space studio Gallery, Austinmer, NSW                    |
| 2006 | Clifton School of Arts, Clifton NSW                              |
| 2004 | University of Wollongong, NSW.                                   |
| 1994 | Southlands Gallery, Canberra, ACT.                               |

### Group Exhibitions *(Recent Selected)*

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| 2024                     | Artsite Contemporary Galleries, Sydney NSW.   |
| 2024, 23, 22             | New England Regional Gallery, Armidale, NSW   |
| 2024, 23, 22, 18, 17     | <i>Scarborough Art show</i> , Scarborough, NSW  |
| 2024, 15, 14, 12, 11, 09 | <i>Finalist Exhibition</i> , Thirroul Art Prize, NSW.   |
| 2023, 22, 21             | 55 Parrots Exhibition space, Bulli, NSW.  |
| 2022-23                  | Timbermill Art Studios, Bulli NSW   |
| 2019                     | New York Art Fair, NY, USA.   |
| 2017                     | Global Gallery, Sydney, NSW   |
| 2017, 16, 15, 14, 13     | <i>Finalist Exhibition</i> , Fleurieu Biennial Art Prize, VIC   |
| 2016                     | <i>Salon de Refuses Exhibition</i> , NSW Parliamentary Plein Air Prize, Sydney, NSW                                     |
| 2016, 14                 | <i>Finalist Exhibition</i> , Mosman Art Prize, Mosman Regional Gallery, NSW   |
| 2016, 09, 95, 90         | <i>Finalist Exhibition</i> , Camden Art Prize Exhibition, NSW   |
| 2014                     | The Hanging Space Gallery, Woonona, NSW   |
| 2012, 93                 | <i>Finalist Exhibition</i> , Paddington Art Prize, Sydney, NSW  |
| 2012, 10, 04             | Clifton School of Arts, Clifton, NSW  |
| 2011                     | The Drawing Room, Kings Cross, Sydney, NSW  |
| 2010                     | Wollongong Gallery, NSW   |
| 2009                     | Vision & Space Studio Gallery, Austinmer, NSW<br>Sheffer Gallery, Sydney, NSW   |
| 2008                     | <i>Finalist Exhibition</i> , Eutick Memorial Prize Still Life Award, Coffs Harbour Regional Gallery, NSW.               |
| 2001                     | <i>Finalist Exhibition</i> , Norville Art Prize, Murrurundi Arts Council, NSW<br>Campbelltown City Gallery, Sydney, NSW |
| 1993, 90                 | St Gregory's College Art Exhibition, Campbelltown, NSW  |

- 1995, 94, 93 Picton Gallery, Picton, NSW  
1990 *Finalist Exhibition*, Lloyd Rees Art Prize, Hobart, TAS.  
Galerie Des Arts, Balmain, NSW  
1989 *Finalist Exhibition*, The Fisher's Ghost Art Award, Campbelltown NSW  
Raglan Gallery, Cooma, NSW

## AWARDS *(Selected)*

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- 2024 Thirroul Art Prize - *Winner*  
2016 Camden Art Prize - *Winner-Open section*  
2015 Thirroul Art Prize – *Winner- Postcard Exhibition*  
2014 Thirroul Art Prize - *Highly Commended*  
2009 Thirroul Art Prize - *Third Prize*  
1995 Camden Art Prize – *Open Prize winner*  
1993 St Gregory's College Art Award – *Highly Commended*  
1990 Camden Art Prize - *Winner, Open section & Art Prize*  
1990 St Gregory's College Art Award – *Highly Commended*

## PUBLICATIONS

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- 2024 *Conversations with Artists - Shanghai*, (Catalogue), Pub: University of Wollongong  
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2021 Scarborough Art show (Catalogue)  
2012 *A place for art: the University of Wollongong art collection*, Author, Amanda Lawson. Pub: University of Wollongong Press  
2010 *Local: Current* (Catalogue), Pub: Wollongong Regional Gallery

## COLLECTIONS

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University of Wollongong Collection, NSW.  
University of Wollongong Campus Collection, Hong Kong.

*Private Collections:* Australia and internationally.

## REPRESENTED

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David Manks is represented in Australia by Artsite Contemporary, Sydney.

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