

Kirthana Selvaraj

Sydney, New South Wales

EDUCATION

- 2020 Master of Art Therapy, Western Sydney Uni, Sydney
- 2017 Bachelor of Fine Art, UNSW Art & Design, Sydney

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2023 *Making Space*, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melb, VIC
- 2013 *Dark Water*, The Tate, Glebe, Sydney, NSW
- 2012 *Collective Pieces*, Bohemian Grove, Surry Hills, Sydney, NSW

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2023 Archibald Prize, Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney NSW
- 2022 Portia Geach Memorial Award, S.H. Ervin Gallery, Watson Rd, Observatory Hill, Sydney NSW
- 2022 Exploration 22, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne VIC
- 2021 Portia Geach Memorial Award, S.H. Ervin Gallery, Watson Rd, Observatory Hill, Sydney NSW
- 2021 Archibald Prize, Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney NSW
- 2020 Portia Geach Memorial Award S.H. Ervin Gallery, NSW
- 2019 The Other Art Fair, Sydney NSW
- 2014 We're Wolves, Lo-Fi Collective, Surry Hills NSW
- 2014 RAWTranslations, The Roxy, Parramatta NSW
- 2012 Fanboy vs Artboy, Artboy Gallery, Melbourne VIC
- 2012 Girls, Girls, Girls, The Tate, Sydney NSW

AWARDS

- 2023 Finalist, Archibald Prize, Art Gallery of New South
- 2022 Winner, Emerging Artist Award, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melb, VIC
- 2022 Finalist, The Blacktown City Art Prize, Leo Kelly Blacktown Arts Centre
- 2022 Finalist, The Lester Prize, Art Gallery of Western Australia, WA
- 2022 Finalist, Portia Geach Memorial Award, S.H Ervin Gallery, NSW
- 2022 Finalist, Exploration 22, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
- 2021 Finalist, Portia Geach Memorial Award, S.H Ervin Gallery, NSW
- 2021 Finalist, Archibald Prize, Art Gallery of New South
- 2020 Finalist, Portia Geach Memorial Award, S.H Ervin Gallery, NSW

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- 2021 'The Astounding Finalists of the 100th Archibald Prize', Sasha Gattermayr, 28 May, The Design Files
- 2021 Interview with an Artist (podcast), S3 Ep71 Willy Russo, 02 De
- 2021 'Femme, queer and brown all at once', SBS Tamil, Kulasegaram Sanchayan, (radio interview), 09 June
- 2019. 'IWD Sydney: Talking LGBTQIA+ POC With Kirthana Selvaraj', Toni Hodges, 03 March, CANVAS by Saatchi Art

WORKSHOPS

2023

'A multi-week series for Art After Hours AGNSW, co-produced with Archibald Prize 2023 finalist Kirthana Selvaraj. Art as therapy workshop with Kirthana Selvaraj: Focusing on sensory experiences and exploring a world of colour, texture and smells. This inclusive event welcomes all ages and abilities.

2023

'Fambo' workshop
Pride Inner West
Guiding people to create their own self and family portraits, using diverse textures and techniques. For LGBTQIA+ families and kids 0-4 years old.

2021

'Healing Through Art' Bobby Goldsmith Foundation
This is an Art group that provides social connectivity, promotes joy and reduces anxiety for people who are living with HIV. This group aims to encourage healthy self-expression through creative practices. Using a combination of therapeutic activities and art practices, we explore personal and powerful stories of resistance, challenge, and survival. Participants are supported to express difficult emotions in a way that feel safe within a peer supported, inclusive space. In this groups, participants share their experiences, listen to their peers and support each other's unique journey.

2021

'Youth week: LGBTQIA Art Workshop',
Headspace Camperdown & Inner West Council.
During the Youth Week 2021, 'Together more than ever' campaign I facilitated two Art workshops for LGBTQIA teenagers and young people. This was funded by the Inner West Council and in partnership with headspace, Camperdown (youth mental health service)