

Leah Thiessen

EDUCATION

- 2014 Bachelor of Visual Art, Southern Cross University
- 1997 Diploma of Fine Arts, Seaforth TAFE (Sydney)
- 1996 Certificate in Studio Ceramics, Brookvale TAFE (Sydney)

SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2025 Rustling Canopy, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne
- 2023 Biome, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne
- 2023 Bloom, Lethbridge Art Gallery, Brisbane
- 2021 Broadwater, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne
- 2019 Ebb and Flow, Lethbridge Gallery, Brisbane
- 2018 The Spirit of Place, Boom Gallery, Victoria
Essense (Joint Exhibition), ARO Gallery, Sydney
- 2017 Dirt Music, Lethbridge Gallery, Brisbane
- 2016 Immersion, Lethbridge Gallery, Brisbane
- 2013 Interconnected, Northern Rivers Community Gallery
- 2012 Unearthed, Dbar Gallery, Coolangatta

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2026 Organic Abstraction, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne
- 2024 20 x 20, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne
- 2022 Melbourne Art Fair, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne
Calleen Art Award, Cowra Regional Gallery
New Works with Stuart Boggs, Walcha Gallery, NSW
20000 Small Scale Art Award, Brisbane
Rhythms of the Monaro, Wagner Gallery, Sydney
Summer Show, Lethbridge Gallery, Brisbane
- 2021 Grounded, Despard Gallery, Hobart
- 2019 30 x 30, Flinders Lane Gallery, Melbourne
Terrain, Salt Contemporary Gallery
Girt by Sea, Rochfort Gallery, Sydney
- 2018 Drawn In, Woollongabba Art Gallery, Brisbane
Pigments at Play, Rochfort Gallery, North Sydney
Paint, Salt Contemporary Gallery, Victoria
Land and Sea, Rochfort Gallery, North Sydney
Summer Series, Salt Contemporary Gallery, Victoria
- 2017 Terra Firma, Boom Gallery, Victoria
Associated Artist, Scott Livesey Galleries, Melbourne
- 2016 #asociallandscape, Depot Gallery, Sydney
23rd Degree, Woollongabba Art Gallery, Brisbane
- 2015 Lethbridge Gallery, Brisbane
- 2014 Undiscovered, Lone Goat Gallery, Byron Bay
- 2014 Into the Dreaming, Art Piece Gallery
- 2012 Landscape, School of Art Gallery, ANU College of Arts, Social Science
- 2011 Artfelt Art Exhibition, Ballina, Northern Rivers Gallery
- 2010 Artfelt Art Exhibition, Northern Rivers Gallery, Ballina

AWARDS / GRANTS / ARTIST RESIDENCIES

- 2025 Corridor Project Artist Residency - Cowra
- 2025 Lake Macquarie Artist Residency
- 2024 Finalist, Lethbridge Landscape Art Prize, QLD
- 2024 Finalist, Omnia Art Prize, Victoria
- 2022 Finalist, Calleen Art Award, Cowra Regional Gallery
- 2022 Finalist, 20000 Small Scale Art Award, QLD
- 2022 Finalist, Lethbridge Landscape Art Prize, QLD
- 2021 Finalist, Muswellbrook Art Prize, NSW
- 2020 Finalist, John Leslie Art Prize, VIC
Finalist, Glover Prize, Tasmania
Finalist, Live in Art Prize, Sydney
Finalist, John Villiers Art Prize for Small Works, QLD
- 2019 Finalist, Clayton Utz Art Prize, Brisbane
Finalist, Calleen Art Award, Cowra Regional Gallery
- 2018 Finalist, Pro Hart Outback Art Prize, Broken Hill
Finalist, John Leslie Art Prize, Gippsland Art Gallery, Victoria
- 2017 Highly Commended, Gosford Art Prize
- 2016 Finalist, John Leslie Art Prize, Gippsland Art Gallery, Victoria
Finalist, Calleen Art Award, Cowra Regional Gallery
Finalist, Redland Art Awards, Redland Art Gallery, NSW
Finalist, The Paddington Art Prize, Sydney
- 2015 Finalist, Calleen Art Award, Cowra Regional Gallery
Finalist, Clayton Utz Art Prize, Brisbane
- 2014 Finalist, The Paddington Art Prize, Sydney
Finalist, Clayton Utz Art Prize, Brisbane
Highly Commended, The Waterhouse Natural Science Art Prize
- 2013 William Fletcher Foundation Grant
Finalist, Gold Coast Art Prize
Finalist, Wilson Art Prize
- 2011 Finalist, Border Art Prize
The Kaske Award for Painting

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- 2023 'The Big Book of Little Art Essays' Flinders Lane Gallery

COLLECTIONS

- 2025 Leeuwin Estate
- 2020 Arthur & Suzie Roe Collection.
Various private collections nationally and internationally