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## DALE HICKEY

Dale Hickey was born in Melbourne in 1937. He studied design and illustration at Swinburne Technical College, Melbourne, graduating in 1957. Since his first solo exhibition at Toorak Galleries, Melbourne, in 1964, Hickey has exhibited regularly and his work is now included in most major Australian collections. In 1968, his work was included in the inaugural exhibition at the National Gallery of Victoria's Southbank site, *The Field*, which showcased Australian paintings, sculpture and conceptual works. A large-scale retrospective of his work was held at Ballarat Fine Art Gallery in 1988. More recently, in 2008, The Ian Potter Museum of Art, University of Melbourne presented *Dale Hickey: Life in a Box*, which brought together 36 key works from the artist's 40 year career.

Dale Hickey lives and works in Melbourne.

## SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

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| 2023 | Niagara Galleries, Melbourne   |
| 2019 | Niagara Galleries, Melbourne   |
| 2010 | <i>Life in a box (Retrospective)</i> , Ian Potter Centre, The University of Melbourne<br><i>Melbourne Art Fair</i> , John Buckley Gallery, Melbourne   |
| 2008 | <i>Dale Hickey: Life in a Box</i> , The Ian Potter Museum of Art, University of Melbourne  |
| 2005 | <i>Dale Hickey: new paintings</i> , John Buckley Fine Art, Melbourne   |
| 2003 | <i>Dale Hickey: new paintings from the studio series</i> , John Buckley Fine Art, Melbourne  |
| 1999 | <i>Dale Hickey: recent work</i> , John Buckley Fine Art, Melbourne   |
| 1996 | Robert Lindsay Gallery, Melbourne  |
| 1994 | <i>Dale Hickey</i> , Anima Gallery, Adelaide<br><i>Dale Hickey: drawings</i> , Robert Lindsay Gallery, Melbourne   |
| 1993 | <i>Dale Hickey: paintings</i> , Annandale Galleries, Sydney<br><i>Dale Hickey: the void and other symbols</i> (prints), the Australian Print Workshop, Melbourne<br><i>Dale Hickey: the void and other symbols</i> (paintings), Robert Lindsay at Tolarno Galleries, Melbourne |
| 1991 | <i>Dale Hickey: one hundred drawings</i> , Powell Street Gallery, Melbourne<br><i>Dale Hickey: paintings and drawings</i> , Garry Anderson Gallery, Sydney   |
| 1990 | <i>Dale Hickey: paintings</i> , Robert Steele Gallery, Adelaide<br><i>Dale Hickey: drawings</i> , Powell Street Gallery, Melbourne<br><i>Dale Hickey: recent works</i> , Rex Irwin Art Dealer, Sydney<br><i>Dale Hickey: paintings</i> , Powell Street Gallery, Melbourne      |
| 1988 | <i>Dale Hickey: paintings</i> , Powell Street Gallery, Melbourne<br><i>Dale Hickey: a retrospective exhibition</i> , Ballarat Fine Art Gallery, VIC; Monash University Gallery, Melbourne; Manly City Art Gallery, Sydney; Museum of Contemporary Art, Brisbane                |
| 1986 | <i>Dale Hickey: paintings</i> , Powell Street Gallery, Melbourne<br><i>Dale Hickey: paintings</i> , Rex Irwin Art Dealer, Sydney   |

- 1985 *Dale Hickey: paintings*, Powell Street Gallery, Melbourne  
 1983 *United Artists Gallery*, Melbourne Rex Irwin Art Dealer, Sydney  
 1980 *Cottlesbridge landscape paintings*, Tolarno Galleries, Melbourne  
 1978 *Works in progress: images of travel*, Realities Gallery, Melbourne  
 1976 *Project 15: Dale Hickey*, Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney  
*Dale Hickey: 1973–76*, Pinacotheca Gallery, Melbourne  
 1975 *Dale Hickey: paintings*, Pinacotheca Gallery, Melbourne  
 1973 *Cup series* (in conjunction with exhibitions by Simon Klose and Robert Rooney), Pinacotheca Gallery, Melbourne  
 1970 *90 white walls*, Pinacotheca Gallery, Melbourne  
 1969 *Fences*, Pinacotheca Gallery, Melbourne  
 1967 Tolarno Galleries, Melbourne  
 1964 Toorak Galleries, Melbourne

### SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2024 *Working Title: Studio Practice in the RMIT Art Collection*, RMIT Gallery, Melbourne, VIC  
 2023 *Weaving Together - Tapestries from the Artbank Collection*, Artbank in partnership with the Australian Tapestry Workshop (ATW), Melbourne  
 2023 *We wanna be free: Paintings from the 1980s and 1990s in the University of Melbourne Collection*, University of Melbourne, Melbourne  
 2019 *Blue Chip XXI: The Collectors' Exhibition*, Niagara Galleries, Melbourne  
 2018 *Chaos & Order - 120 years of collecting at RMIT*, RMIT Gallery, Melbourne  
*The Field Revisited*, National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne  
 2017 *Blue Chip XIX: The Collectors' Exhibition*, Niagara Galleries, Melbourne  
 2016 *Shut Up and Paint*, National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne  
*Modern Australian Painting*, Charles Nodrum Gallery, Melbourne  
 2015 *Selected works from the F.M. Courtis Collection*, Phyllis Palmer Gallery, Latrobe University, Bendigo, VIC  
*The Triumph of Modernism in the Art of Australia*, Hazelhurst Regional Gallery & Arts Centre, NSW  
 2014 *Vista II*, Charles Nodrum Gallery, Melbourne  
*Abstraction 13*, Charles Nodrum Gallery, Melbourne  
 2013 *Signs and Symbols*, New England Regional Art Museum (NERAM), NSW  
*Mix Tape 1980s: Appropriation, Subculture, Critical Style*, NGV International, Melbourne  
 2012 *Less is More: Minimal and Post-Minimal Art in Australia*, Heide Museum of Modern Art, Melbourne  
*Winter Collectors*, John Buckley Gallery, Melbourne  
 2011 *Artist Artists*, Benalla Art Gallery, VIC  
 2010 *Endless Present: Robert Rooney and Conceptual Art*, National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne  
*Peter D. Cole & Dale Hickey*, John Buckley Gallery, Melbourne  
 2008 *This Way Up: Abstract Works from the La Trobe University Art Collection*, Latrobe University Museum of Art, Melbourne  
 2007 *Cross currents: focus on contemporary Australian art*, Museum of Contemporary Art, Sydney and Australian Centre for Contemporary Art, Melbourne  
*Full frontal: images from within the studio*, Plimsoll Gallery, University of Tasmania, Hobart  
*Snap freeze*, TarraWarra Museum of Art, Healesville, VIC  
 2006 *Modern Australian Painting 2006*, Charles Nodrum Gallery, Melbourne  
*Seeing the Collection*, UQ Art Museum, Brisbane  
 2004 *Echo*, TarraWarra Museum of Art, Healesville, VIC  
*Imaging the Apple*, Ballarat Fine Art Gallery, VIC and touring

- 2003 *Three-way abstraction: Works from the Monash University Collection*, Monash University Museum of Art, Melbourne
- 2002 *Fieldwork: Australian art 1968–2002*, the Ian Potter Centre: NGV Australia, Melbourne  
*Nocturne: images of night and darkness from colonial to contemporary*, Mornington Peninsula Regional Gallery and Geelong Gallery, VIC  
*Good vibrations: the legacy of Op art in Australia*, Heide Museum of Modern Art, Melbourne
- 2001 *The Director's choice - selected works from the University of Melbourne Art Collection*, The Ian Potter Museum of Art, Melbourne
- 2000 *Monochromes*, University of Queensland Art Museum, Brisbane
- 1999 *Melbourne's Marvellous Tapestries*, Gareth Sansom, Daley Hickey, Jimmy Pike, Ginger Riley, Victorian Tapestry Workshop at Victoria University Gallery, Melbourne
- 1998 *Material perfection: minimal art & its aftermath selected from the Kerry Stokes Collection*, Lawrence Wilson Art Gallery, University of Western Australia, Perth  
*Sydney Ball, Dale Hickey, David Rankin, Andrew Christofides and David Serisier*, Robert Steele Gallery, Adelaide
- 1996 *Black attack*, National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne  
*Joan and Peter Clemenger triennial exhibition of contemporary Australian art*, National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne
- 1995 *Australian contemporary painting*, Annandale Galleries, Sydney
- 1994 *Circle, Line and Square: Aspects of Geometry*, Campbelltown City Art Gallery, Sydney, and touring
- 1993 *Arrangement: Australian still life 1973–1993*, Museum of Modern Art at Heide, Melbourne  
*Gesture and Geometry*, Tarrawarra Museum of Art, Healesville, VIC
- 1992 *Contemporary Australian Drawings – from the collection*, Art Gallery of New South Wales, and touring
- 1991 *Off the wall/in the air: a seventies selection*, Monash University Gallery and Australian Centre for Contemporary Art, Melbourne
- 1989 *Freestyle: Australian art '60s to now*, National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne
- 1988 *The face of Australia: the land & the people, the past & the present*, the Australian Bicentennial Authority, national tour
- 1987 *From field to figuration: Australian art 1960–1986*, National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne  
*The Monash University Collection: selected paintings and sculptures*, Monash University Gallery, Melbourne  
*Minimal art in Australia: a contemplative art*, Museum of Contemporary Art, Brisbane  
*Ten By Ten: 1975–1985*, 200 Gertrude Street, Melbourne
- 1986 *Fears and scruples*, University Gallery, the University of Melbourne
- 1985 *Victoria: views by contemporary artists*, Benalla Art Gallery, VIC; Geelong Gallery, VIC; Castlemaine Art Gallery, VIC  
*Victorian vision, 1834 onwards: images and records from the National Gallery of Victoria and the State Library of Victoria*, National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne
- 1984 *The field now*, Heide Park and Art Gallery, Melbourne
- 1983 *A Melbourne mood: cool contemporary art*, National Gallery of Australia at Melville Hall, Australian National University, Canberra  
*Recent Australian painting: a survey 1970–1983*, Art Gallery of South Australia, Adelaide  
*A sunburnt country*, National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne
- 1982 *Preston to Phillip: a survey, 10 years of art education*, Reconnaissance Gallery, Melbourne

- The Philip Morris Arts Grant: Australian art of the last ten years*, National Gallery of Australia, Canberra
- The seventies: Australian paintings and tapestries from the collection of National Australia Bank*, National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne
- 1981 *Australian Perspecta*, Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney
- Aspects of new realism*, National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne, and touring
- 1978 *Pemandangan alam dan Khayal: lukisan-lukisan Australia ditahun-tahun 1970an/Landscape and image: a selection of Australian art of the 1970s*, Australian Gallery Directors Council and Department of Foreign Affairs, toured to Bandung, Yogyakarta and Jakarta, Indonesia
- 1977 *Illusion and reality*, National Gallery of Australia at Melville Hall, Australian National University, Canberra, and touring nationally
- 1976 *Minimal art*, National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne
- Australian realist painters*, Art Gallery of South Australia, Adelaide
- 1975 *The Australian landscape 1802–1975: a cultural exchange exhibition with China*, Australia Council and Department of Foreign Affairs, Canberra, touring Peking and Nanking, China
- drawing: some definitions*, Ewing Gallery, Melbourne
- 1974 *Minimal*, Ewing and George Paton Galleries, Melbourne
- 1973 *Recent Australian Art*, Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney
- Dale Hickey/Simon Klose/Robert Rooney*, Pinacotheca Gallery, Melbourne
- 1971 *Four Pinacotheca artists using photography*, Inhibodress Gallery, Sydney
- Situation Now: Object or Post Object Art?*, Contemporary Art Society Gallery, Sydney and National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne
- I want to leave a nice well-done child here*, Bonython Gallery, Sydney and National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne
- 1968 *The Field*, National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne; Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney
- Georges invitation art prize exhibition*, Georges Gallery, Melbourne
- 1966 *Helena Rubinstein travelling art scholarship*, Art Gallery of South Australia, Adelaide
- Georges invitation art prize exhibition*, Georges Gallery, Melbourne
- Young Melbourne painters*, Gallery A, Sydney

#### **AWARDS/GRANTS/RESIDENCIES**

- 1991 Creative fellowship, Visual Arts/Craft Board, Australia Council
- 1987 Visual Arts/Craft Board grant, Australia Council
- 1986 Hugh Williamson Prize, Ballarat Fine Art Gallery, Victoria
- 1980 Cottlesbridge landscape tapestry commission for the National Australia Bank through the Victorian Tapestry Workshop
- 1977 Cité Internationale des Arts, Paris, studio residency, University of Sydney
- 1975 Visual Arts Board grant, Australia Council
- 1974 Visual Arts Board grant, Australia Council

#### **COLLECTIONS**

- Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney
- Art Gallery of South Australia, Adelaide
- Art Gallery of Western Australia, Perth
- Artbank
- Australia Council
- Ballarat Fine Art Gallery, Victoria
- Federation University Australia Art Collection, Victoria
- F.M. Courtis Collection, Victoria
- Galbally Rolfe Collection, Melbourne
- Geelong Gallery, Victoria

Hamilton Art Gallery, Victoria  
Heide Museum of Modern Art, Melbourne  
The Ian Potter Museum of Art, Melbourne  
Kerry Stokes Collection, Perth  
Latrobe Regional Gallery, Morwell, Victoria  
Latrobe University, Melbourne  
Monash University, Melbourne  
Museum of Contemporary Art, Sydney  
National Australia Bank  
National Gallery of Australia, Canberra  
National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne  
Newcastle Region Art Gallery, New South Wales  
Parliament House Art Collection, Canberra  
PricewaterhouseCoopers Australia  
Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology  
TarraWarra Museum of Art, Healesville, Victoria  
Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery, Launceston  
Queensland Art Gallery, Brisbane  
The University of Melbourne  
The University of Queensland, Brisbane  
Victorian Tapestry Workshop, Melbourne  
Warrnambool Art Gallery, Victoria  
Wesfarmers, Perth Westpac, Sydney

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