

R o b y n S w e a n e y

professional experience

- 2009- 2010 Part-Time Teacher of Fine Arts, TAFE, Lismore and Murwillumbah Campus's
2007 Radio Conversation on *Emoh Ruo* exhibition, By Design, ABC Radio National
2006-2002 Co - Director and Curator c.a.s.e. Inc @ Piece Gallery, Artist Run exhibition Space and studio, Mullumbimby
2003 Radio Program...*The language of flowers...* ABC Radio North Coast.

Qualifications

- 1978 B.Ed. Arts and Crafts. State College of Victoria at Melbourne.
2003 Certificate IV. Assessment & Workplace Training, NCI, TAFE

solo exhibitions

- 2009 Iain Dawson Gallery, Sydney, NSW
2007 *Emoh Ruo*, Tim Olsen Gallery, Sydney, NSW
2006 *The house beautiful*. Lismore Regional Gallery, Lismore, NSW
2004 *a rose is a rose...*Portland Bay Press, Portland, VIC.
2003 *Sub rosa series*. Piece Gallery, Mullumbimby, NSW.
2003 *Sub rosa*. Grafton Regional Gallery, Grafton, NSW.
1994 *From my life at home*. Griffith Fine Art Gallery, Condong, NSW
1992 *Connections*. Cape Gallery, Byron Bay, NSW

commissions and collections

- 2010 Southern Downs Regional Art Collection, Stanthorpe– *Memory of an Evening*
Gold Coast City Art Gallery – *Gold Coast Highway #1*
2009 Mitchell Library, State Library of NSW – *Neighbourhood Watch*
Art Bank – *Shades #1- 6*
Tweed River Gallery – *The Beach House*
2008 Grafton Regional Gallery - *Affordable Housing?*
2007 Tweed River Gallery - *Bungalow of Dreams*
2006 Lismore Regional Gallery - *Night in her Silence 1.*
2005 Lismore Regional Gallery - *Light Imaginings* and *Roseate*
2003 Grafton Regional Gallery - *A passionate affair*
2001 Lismore Regional Art Gallery - *Erotica [e] Perfume*
1993 Mater Hospital, Crows Nest, Sydney - *Interior*

awards and grants

- 2010 The Northern Rivers Portrait Prize, Highly Commended.
Stanthorpe Art Festival 2010, Acquired.
2009 Country Energy Landscape Prize, Highly Commended
2008 Border Art Prize, Open Second Prize.
Quick Turnaround Grant, NSW Regional Arts
2007 St Johns Art Festival, Open Prize
Southern Cross Arts Festival. Second Prize, Watercolour. Third prize, Works on Paper.
2006 NAVA Marketing Grant – Exhibition Catalogue
2005 Southern Cross Arts Festival. First Prize, Painting.
Southern Cross Arts Festival. First Prize, Miniatures.
2003 Southern Cross Arts Festival. First Prize, Mixed Media.
Pink Poodle Art Prize. Commended. Bond University Gallery.
2002 Southern Cross Arts Festival. Highly Commended, Printmaking
2002 Border Art Prize. Tweed Regional Art Gallery. Highly Commended, Painting.
2001 St Hilda's Festival of Arts. Highly Commended, Painting
2001 Southern Cross Arts Festival. First Prize, Painting.
2000 Byron Easter Art Classic. Second Prize, Printmaking
1998 Byron Print Prize. Barebones Art Space. Local's Award

Residencies

- 2008 Hill End Artists In Residence Program – Murray's Cottage, May-June
2004 The June Hedditch studio-apartments @ The Arts Company, Portland, Victoria

group exhibitions and selected shows

- 2010 **JADA, Jacaranda Drawing Prize**, Finalist, Grafton Regional Gallery.
Salon Des Refuses, Tweed River Art Gallery, Murwillumbah.
The Distance Between Knowing and Not Knowing, Art Piece Gallery, Mullumbimby.
The Industrialists, Tweed River art Gallery, Murwillumbah, NSW
The 2010 Northern Rivers Portrait Prize, Selected Finalist, Lismore Regional Gallery.
Salon Des Refuses, S.H.Ervin Gallery, Sydney.
Stanthorpe Art Festival, Selected Finalist, Stanthorpe Regional Gallery, Qld
Countryscapes, Chifley Tower, 2 Chifley Square, Sydney
- 2009 **Sulman Prize**, Selected Finalist, AGNSW, Sydney
Salon Des Refuses, S.H.Ervin Gallery, Sydney
EMSLA, Still Life Award, Selected Finalist, Coffs Harbour Regional Gallery, NSW
Country Energy Art Prize for Landscape Painting, Selected Finalist, Lismore Regional Gallery.
About a Tree, Art Piece Gallery, Mullumbimby, NSW
The Collectors Paradise Show, Northern Rivers Community Gallery, Ballina, NSW
Industrialists, Group show, QDOS Gallery, Lorne, Victoria.
Hot In The City, Iain Dawson Gallery, Paddington, Sydney
- 2008 **HOME**, Selected Exhibition, Lismore Regional Gallery, NSW.
EMSLA, Still Life Award, Selected Finalist, Coffs Harbour Regional Gallery
JADA, Jacaranda Drawing Prize, Finalist, Grafton Regional Gallery, NSW.
ArtPost, ABC TV & Regional Arts, Web profile - <http://www.abc.net.au/tv/artpost/>
Wish You Were Here, Friends Exhibition, Tweed River Art Gallery, Murwillumbah
Mosman Art Prize Exhibition, Selected Finalist, Mosman Gallery, Sydney
Solstice, a winter exhibition, Tim Olsen Gallery, Woollahra
Salon Des Refuses, Tweed River Art Gallery, Murwillumbah
2 X 2, Tim Olsen Gallery, Woollahra
Salon Des Refuses, S.H.Ervin Gallery, Sydney
Countryscapes, The Gunnery, Woolloomooloo, Sydney
- 2007 **Country Energy Art Prize for Landscape Painting**, Selected Finalist, Dubbo Regional Gallery
EMSLA, Still Life Award, Selected Finalist, Coffs Harbour Regional Gallery
Hutchins Art Prize, Selected Finalist, Tasmania
MacarthurCook Art Awards, Selected Finalist, Melbourne
Solstice, a winter exhibition, Tim Olsen Gallery, Woollahra
Prometheus Art Exhibition, Selected Finalist, Qld
JADA Traveling Exhibition, Tamworth Regional Gallery
Come Hither: Interpretations of the Boudoir Wagga Wagga Art Gallery
- 2006 x 25, Piece Gallery, Mullumbimby
AusGallery NSW, Australian Government Trade Commission promotion DVD
Local Art, LRG, Byron Bay Writers Festival, Byron Bay
FEHVA Exhibition and Auction, Byron Bay Community Center, Byron Bay. NSW
Identity, Piece Gallery, Mullumbimby, NSW.
- 2005 **countryscapes 2005**, Parliament of NSW Fountain Court Gallery, Sydney, NSW
Finalist. Country Energy Art Prize for Landscape Painting, Grafton Regional Gallery
JADA, Jacaranda Drawing Prize Exhibition, Wagga Wagga Regional Gallery, NSW
FEHVA Exhibition and Auction, Byron Bay Community Center, Byron Bay. NSW
Print Night. Grafton Regional Gallery, NSW
JADA, Jacaranda Drawing Prize, Ken Done Gallery, Sydney, NSW
c.a.s.e...unpacked. Tweed River Gallery, Murwillumbah, NSW.
man's best friend. next contemporary art space, SCUUniversity, Lismore.
- 2004 **JADA, Jacaranda Drawing Prize**, Finalist, Grafton Regional Gallery, NSW.
Lismore Regional Treasures, Lismore Regional Gallery, NSW.
Chapter 11, an Artists Book Exhibition, Piece Gallery, Mullumbimby, NSW.
Bishop Druit College Art Exhibition. Coffs Harbour, NSW.
- 2003 **The Inaugural Print Night**. Grafton Regional Gallery, NSW.
The 2003 Postcard Show. Grafton Regional Gallery, NSW.
Jaffa. Piece Gallery, Mullumbimby, NSW.
- 2002 **Pink Poodle Art Prize**, Bond University Gallery, QLD
Art as Investment. Lismore Regional Art Gallery, NSW
Erotica [e], Print Portfolio, Lismore Regional Art Gallery, NSW
Works in Progress. Piece Gallery, Mullumbimby, NSW.
Doors of Perception. Piece Gallery, Mullumbimby, NSW.
- 2001 **First Show Pieces**. Piece Gallery, Mullumbimby, NSW.
- 2000 **Smalls**. Waywood Gallery, Byron Bay, NSW.
Recent Work -TAFE Art Teachers. Lismore Regional Art Gallery,
- 1998 **Byron Printmaking Prize Show**. Barebones Art Space, Bangalow.
Elvis has left the building. Barebones Art Space, Bangalow.
- 1997 **Rural Womens Show**. Mullumbimby Art Gallery, NSW.
Seasons of Women. Artisans Gallery, Byron Bay NSW.
- 1996 **Colours of Summer**. Mary-Jo Voight Fine Art Gallery, Sydney.
Still Life. Art Galleries Schubert, Marina Mirage, QLD.
- 1995 **The Byron Bay Exhibition**. A.R.T. Gallery, Balgowlah, Sydney
Australian Women Artists. Art Galleries Schubert, Marina Mirage, QLD.
Traveling Print Show. Grafton Regional Gallery, NSW.
- 1994 **The Art of Still Life**. Art Galleries Schubert, Marina Mirage, QLD.
- 1993 **The Art of Pastel**. Art Galleries Schubert, Marina Mirage, QLD.

Reviews, articles, reproduced**2009**

21 st November	The Sydney Morning Herald, Spectrum, Open Gallery,			Lissa Christopher
November	All the way home: poetry from Byron Bay and beyond / edited by Laura Jan Shore and Bev Sweeney; illustrated by Robyn Sweeney, Dangerously Poetic Press, Byron Bay, N.S.W.			
November	Arts northern Rivers, VAN Final Report. Case study	pg 22		Melitta Firth
14 June	Sunday Arts – ABC TV, Episode 16. 2009			
June	Tweed Artifacts, Friends of Tweed Gallery Newsletter, Vol. 11, #2		pg 2	
14–15th March	The Sydney Morning Herald, Spectrum, Visual Art Review			
	<i>When losers are winners – Salon Des Refuse</i>	reproduced	pg17	John McDonald
3 January	The Northern Star	reproduced	pg 21	Nerida Woolley

2008

18 December	Tweed Sun	article & photo	pg 47	
25 November	Byron Shire Echo	article & photo	pg 7	Jeff Dawson
8–9th November	The Sydney Morning Herald, Spectrum, Visual Art Review		pg17	John McDonald
Launched Oct	<i>ArtPost</i> , ABC TV & Regional Arts, Web profile – Photos & interview David Batty from Rebel films http://artpost.abc.net.au/kickapps/_Robyn-Sweeney/video/356966/50484.html			

2007

8 December	Radio National, By Design, Conversation, “House Painter” http://www.abc.net.au/rn/bydesign/stories/2007/2111763.htm			
Summer 08	North Coast Arts Quarterly	article	pg16-16	Sonia Caeiro
Book	beyond region	reproduced	pg 115	LRG
November	enews Regional Arts	article		Melitta Firth
Issue 42	Australian Art Collector	article	pg 178	Nick Watt
Spring Issue	artReach Magazine	article	pg 6	Melitta Firth
2006				
23 December	The Northern Star	review	pg 36	Steven Alderton
Summer Issue	North Coast Arts Quarterly	article	pg.4	Rosie Lee
28 October	The Northern Star	article	pg 42	Steven Alderton
17 October	Byron Shire Echo	article	pg 5	Louise Beaumont
3 October	Byron Shire Echo	article	pg 29	Mandy Nolan
2 August	The Northern Star	reproduced	pg 22	Candida Baker
Spring Issue	Northern Rivers Arts	reproduced	pg 8 & back cover	
Winter Issue	Northern Rivers Arts	reproduced	pg 1	

2005

Summer Issue	Northern Rivers Arts Quarterly	reproduced	pg 13	
17 September	The Northern Star	reproduced	pg 87	Fiona Bennell
23 August	Byron Shire Echo	article	back page	

2004

9 January	Portland Observer	article	pg 10	Josh Nash
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2003

20 May	Byron Shire Echo	article		Jeff Dawson
17 May	Byron Shire Echo	article		Press
13 May	Byron Shire Echo	article		Press
15 Feb	The Northern Star	article		Press
4 February	Byron Shire Echo	article	pg 5	Press
25 January	Clarence Life	reproduced	pg 25	Press

2001

16 October	Byron Shire Echo	article	pg 1	Carol Page
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1997

11 March	Byron Shire Echo	reproduced	pg 40	
4 March	Byron Shire Echo	reproduced	pg 1	

1994

3 December	Weekend Review	article	pg 14	Audrey Chapman
30 November	Byron Shire Echo	article	pg 23	Press

1993

14 July	Byron Shire Echo	article	pg 25	Press
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1992

26 November	The Northern Star	article	pg 11	Stephanie Dale
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