

Bio: Sue Smales

I am a painter, sculptor and mixed media artist, born and raised in Papua New Guinea. I also consider New Zealand and Australia as my other homes.

The landscapes, wildlife and culture of all three countries influence my art at both a conscious and subconscious level.

My formative years in Papua New Guinea are the foundation of my style of art, and still remain a major source of inspiration.

Professional Practice and Tertiary Education

2015

Advanced Diploma
of Creative Product Development,
Sculpture, Chisholm Vic
Australia. Post Grad.

2014

Diploma of Counselling in the
Therapeutic Arts, Chisholm
Vic Australia

2008-10

Curator of Exhibitions for PNG
High Commission Wellington NZ

2003-10

Director & Curator
Websters Art Gallery Wellington NZ

2000

Diploma Visual Art (Painting)
NMIT, New Zealand

Exhibitions

Australia

2021 ASV (Association of Sculptors Victoria)
Annual Awards Exhibition, **finalist**
(The Dancer) Postponed - Covid 19

2021 Toorak Village Sculpture Exhibition Vic
(Boobook Owl bark sculpture) **finalist**
brought over from 2020

2021 Rennies Gallery, Sculpture Exhibition, Acheron,
Victoria (3 pieces selected)

2021 Arc Yinnar Sculpture Exhibition, Victoria
finalist (Alien Tree Pod)

2020 Toorak Village Sculpture Exhibition Vic
(Boobook Owl bark sculpture) **finalist**
Postponed to 2021 - Covid 19

2019 ASV (Association of Sculptors Victoria)
Annual Awards Exhibition, **finalist**
(World Turtle, bark sculpture)

2019 Toorak Village Sculpture Exhibition Vic
(Tawny Frogmouth, bark sculpture) **finalist**
<http://www.craiglawson.net/2019/06/07/must-see/>

2019 Oak Hill Gallery Vic
'Symbiotic' joint exhibition with Brooke Thomson

2018 Toorak Village Sculpture Exhibition Vic
(Birds of a Feather, bark sculpture) **finalist**

2017 Toorak Village Sculpture Exhibition Vic
(Kookaburra, bark sculpture) **finalist**

2015 Walker Street Gallery Victoria
ADCPD Chisholm Graduates Exhibition

2015 Oak Hill Gallery Vic
'Patterns of My Life' Solo Exhibition

New Zealand

2011 Pataka Museum Porirua, Wllgtn
'[Off the Wall](#)' Group Exhibition with 11
other Mural artists

2011 Porirua Railway Station, Wllgtn
'Birds on a Train' Mural, [Golden Foot Award 2012](#) , group award for best walking project.

2010 Pipitea Marae Wellington
'Bung Wantaim' group exhibition with PNG Contemporary artists

2010 Gallery Frames Wllgtn
'Dreamscapes & Drowning Flowers' Exhibition with Tupe Papali'i

2007/8 Websters Gallery Wllgtn
represented by

2006/7 Affordable Art Show Wllgtn

selected works for Annual Public Exhibition

2006 Websters Gallery Wllgtn

Retrospective Solo Exhibition

2005 Naxos Gallery Wllgtn

Cetaceans Solo Exhibition

2001 Metro Gallery Nelson

'Cyclosymbolic' an Exhibition with Natasha Smith

2001 Arts Council NZ Nelson

'Ancient Chelonii' Solo Exhibition

2000 The Suter Regional Art Gallery Nelson

'X' Graduates Exhibition NMIT