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Landscapes and still life

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Exhibition Dates: 4 - 23 October 2016

35 Derby Street Collingwood VIC 3066

Open 7 days 10am to 6pm

Landscape and still life showcases a captivating series of recent works from renowned Melbourne-based painter Thornton Walker. Thornton's paintings are masterfully rendered, exploring traditional themes through a uniquely personal and deeply evocative lens. Walker creates highly original compositions, capturing the majestic beauty of rugged landscapes and the emotive qualities of familiar objects with an air of meditative stillness and mystery.

"My recent landscapes and still lifes revisit classical genres I first explored in the 1980s. Working within the confines of these, at times clichéd idioms, I have set myself a challenge to create a depth and freshness and a contemporary relevance. I painted those places that have moved and inspired me: glimpses of pristine coves and rocky outcrops framed by the trees on the NSW south coast; the wild seas and stretches of beach near Falmouth on the Tasmanian east coast; winter forests in the mountains in Kyushu, Japan.

Composing and painting still lifes is a process of quiet contemplation that has been part of my practice for 40 years. Using familiar bowls and pieces of cloth collected on my travels over the years I arrange and rearrange objects, shifting my angle of view and the source of light... always attempting to produce something elegant and profound in its ordinariness".

- Thornton Walker, August 2016

Landscape and still life is current until 23 October 2016.

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