



KERRIE LESTER

1953 - 2016

Selected works

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Exhibition dates: 11 - 30 August 2018

Exhibition opening: 6pm to 8pm 14 August 2018

15 Royston Street Paddington NSW 2021

In memory and celebration of beloved artist Kerrie Lester, Australian Galleries Sydney is delighted to present a vibrant selection of paintings and ceramics from throughout her prolific career.

Lester's lively and whimsical works are instantly recognizable, infused with her love of the Sydney foreshore and human interactions with the natural world. Thick with oil paint in luscious colour harmonies, her distinctive hand-stitched canvases capture the beauty of fleeting gestures and fragments of daily life.

"This larger than life character endeared herself upon all those who crossed her path. She was always bold, vivacious and forthright. A true and genuine artist, creativity was her world. She awoke every morning with full embrace of it and her work reflected this with her joyful and optimistic view of ourselves and our daily activities. A conversation without laughter was simply an impossibility in all encounters with Kerrie. She was funny and serious in the same breath, deliberate and devoted in her observations. If you own a Kerrie Lester it's very likely you own three or four, such was the seduction of her stitched paintings. As the representing gallery for Kerrie and her work we describe ourselves as both fortunate and privileged. Kerrie brought a spark to our gallery and created a large circle of followers. Her career was a success and the goodness that she felt towards life and its observations were sought after and fulfilled her loving audience." Stuart Purves, 2016

The energy and charm which infuses Lester's tactile works of art is testament to the lively and vivacious approach she brought to her life and her creativity. *Selected works* invites the viewer to remember this significant Australian artist and to experience the unique and enchanting perspective she expressed through her art.

Selected works is current until 30 August 2018.

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