

AUSTRALIAN GALLERIES

PETRUS SPRONK

1966-68 South Australian School of Arts
1969 Post-Graduate studies. S.A. School of Arts
Major: Sculpture, Ceramics
Minor: Design, Photography

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2023 'Things not known but remembered (a journey of shards)', Australian Galleries, Melbourne
2019 'Feather Light', Australian Galleries, Melbourne
2017 'From the dark into the light', Australian Galleries, Melbourne
2014 Murray Bridge Regional Gallery, Murray Bridge, SA
2013 Latrobe Regional Gallery, Morwell, VIC
2012 The Art Gallery of Ballarat, Ballarat, VIC
2010 Stockroom, Kyneton, VIC
2008 Gallery 101, Melbourne
2005 Gallery 101, Melbourne
2004 'Meditation on a Korean Odyssey', Shepparton Art Museum, Shepparton, VIC
Art Gallery of Ballarat, Ballarat, VIC
2000 Toju Cultural Foundation, Korea
1999 Hand & Mind Gallery, Seoul, Korea
1996 Distelfink Gallery, Melbourne
1990 Bonython Galleries, Adelaide
1988 JamFactory, Adelaide

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2024 'Ceramics', Australian Galleries, Melbourne
2019 'Australian Galleries: The Purves Family Business. The First Four Decades', Book Launch and Group Exhibition, Australian Galleries, Melbourne
2015 Stockroom, Kyneton, VIC
2014 Murray Bridge Regional Gallery, Murray Bridge, SA
2013 Manningham Victorian Ceramic Art Award (Winner), Manningham City Council, Melbourne
Clunes Ceramic Award, Union Bank Arts Centre, Clunes, VIC
Cancer Council Arts Award
Latrobe University Gallery, Bendigo
2011 Ian Potter Centre: The National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne
2010 Ballarat Fine Art Gallery, VIC
Clunes Ceramic Award, Union Bank Arts Centre, Clunes, VIC
Glenlyon Sculpture Award (Winner)
2008 Gallery 101, Melbourne
2004 Celebrating the Master. Skepsi gallery, Melbourne
Jewish Museum of Australia

'The Passage of Time' collaborative exhibition with Oliver Patsch for Daylesford Foto Biennale
 Gallery 101, Melbourne
 2002 Convent Gallery, Daylesford, VIC
 1998 Jewish Museum of Australia
 1997 SOFA Chicago, Australian Crafts Council
 JamFactory, Adelaide
 International Ceramics Award, Shepparton Art Museum
 Ian Potter Museum of Art. Melbourne university (shortlist exhibition)
 1996 Qdos Arts, Lorne, VIC
 Distelfink Gallery, Melbourne. Director's Choice.
 1995 'The vessel', School of Art, Australian National University, Canberra
 1994 Rigg Design Prize, National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne
 1993 'The Second Landing', National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne
 1992 International Ceramic Festival, Mino, Japan
 Bethany Art Gallery Bethany, SA
 Distelfink Gallery, Melbourne
 Melbourne City Council. Swanston Walk Sculpture model exhibition. Melbourne
 1991 47th Concorso Internazionale Della Ceramica d'Arte Feanza. Italy. (Invitation)
 Ararat Regional Art Gallery, Ararat, VIC
 1990 Adelaide Festival Exhibition, Bonython Gallery, SA
 1989 Distelfink Gallery, Melbourne
 1988 South Australian Ceramic Award, SA
 1986 JamFactory, Adelaide
 Cuppacumbalong Art Gallery, Tharwa, ACT
 1985 Distelfink Gallery, Melbourne
 Riddoch Art Gallery, Mount Gambier, SA
 Art Gallery of Ballarat, Ballarat, VIC
 Hamilton Gallery, Hamilton, VIC
 Bendigo Pottery, Bendigo, VIC
 1984 Bonython Gallery, Adelaide
 Bethany Art Gallery, Bethany, SA
 Distelfink Gallery, Melbourne
 Adelaide Festival Centre Gallery, Adelaide
 1983 JamFactory, Adelaide
 1982 Gallery Ioannis, Crete, Greece
 1980 Gallery 14K. Copenhagen, Denmark
 Gallery Groeningen, Holland
 1978 Killenny Design Workshops Gallery, Dublin, Ireland
 1976 Ruby's Gallery, San Francisco, USA
 1974 Old Fire Station Gallery, Perth
 1973 Old Fire Station Gallery, Perth
 1972 Launceston Purchase Prize, TAS

AWARDS

2013 Winner, Manningham Victorian Ceramic Art Award, Manningham City Council, Melbourne
 Finalist, Clunes Ceramic Award, Union Bank Arts Centre, Clunes, VIC
 Finalist, Cancer Council Arts Awards

- 2010 Finalist, Clunes Ceramic Award, Union Bank Arts Centre, Clunes, VIC
 Winner, Glenlyon Sculpture Award
- 1997 International Ceramics Award, Shepparton Regional Art Gallery, VIC
- 1994 Rigg Design Prize, National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne
- 1972 Launceston Purchase Prize, Tasmania

COMMISSIONS

- 2014 Designed and installed a ceramic work at the sound shell in the spa reserve
- 2013 Selected from an international competition to present a paper at the bi-annual Korean Ceramic Symposium
- 2012 Commission for a multimedia work to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the Hepburn Shire
- 2009 Installation of public sculpture at Hepburn Springs
- 2007 One man exhibition at the Ballarat Fine Art Gallery (state gallery)
- 2004 Commissioned to create a bowl for his Holiness The Dalai Lama
 Writer in residence Seoul Korea
 Public sculpture, Convent Gallery Gardens, Daylesford, VIC
- 2001 Hepburn Council Public Sculpture Commission
- 2000 Toji Cultural Foundation Symposium. Guest Speaker, Seoul Korea
- 1999 Two works for the Jewish Museum Melbourne
 Artist in residence Kook-Min University Korea.
- 1998 Ian Potter Museum of Art (Ceramic Prize exhibition by invitation)
 Castlemaine Regional gallery (Ceramic exhibition of local artists)
 Distelfink Art Gallery. Invitation 25th Anniversary
 Created and published 'Cosy Poets' a collaborative project with Peter O'Mara
 Austin Hospital Public Art installation
- 1997 Austin Hospital, Interior Design Commission
- 1996 Heidelberg Repatriation Hospital, Sculpture Commission
- 1995 Heidelberg Repatriation Hospital. Sculpture Commission
- 1994 Castlemaine Festival Sculpture Exhibition. Invitation.
 Castlemaine State Festival. Stringed Visions from the keyboard. Audio-Visual performance
 Heidelberg Repatriation Hospital (mural)
- 1993 Artist in residence. Ballarat, VIC
 Melbourne Food and Wine Festival
- 1992 Adelaide Festival of Arts
 Sculpture for Swanston Walk, Melbourne
 Castlemaine State Festival Committee. Six Sand Works. Victoria
- 1991 Ballarat Begonia Festival. Five Sand Works. Victoria.
 Artist in Residence, Ballarat, VIC
- 1990 Castlemaine State Festival Committee, Castlemaine, VIC
- 1988 Castlemaine State Festival. Audio-Visual Performance.
- 1986 Benalla City Council, Benalla, VIC
 Artist in Residence, Port Pirie, SA

COLLECTIONS

Adelaide Town Hall, Adelaide
Artbank, Sydney
Art Gallery of Ballarat, Ballarat, VIC
Art Gallery of South Australia, Adelaide
Austin Health, Melbourne
Australian Embassy Collection, Tokyo, Japan
Australian Embassy Collection, Seoul, Korea
Benalla Rural City, Benalla, VIC
Benalla Art Gallery, Benalla, VIC
Whitehorse City Council, Melbourne
Canberra College of Advanced Education Collection, ACT
Castlemaine Art Museum, Castlemaine, VIC
Contemporary Museum of Art, Honolulu, Hawaii
Convent Gallery Garden
Hamilton Gallery, Hamilton, VIC
Heidelberg Repatriation Hospital, Melbourne
Hepburn Shire Council
Jewish Museum Collection, Melbourne
Latrobe Valley Regional Gallery, VIC
Manningham Art Gallery
Melbourne City Council
National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne
Parliament House Collection, Canberra
Sydney Casino, Sydney
Tasmanian Art Gallery, Launceston, Tasmania
Tasmanian Art Gallery, Hobart, Tasmania
Shepparton Art Museum, Shepparton, VIC
Queensland Art Gallery & Gallery of Modern Art, Brisbane

BIBLIOGRAPHY

2014 'Meditations On A Korean Odyssey'