AUSTRALIAN GALLERIES

FRED WILLIAMS

Born 1927, Melbourne

1943-47	Attended National Gallery Art School, Melbourne
1946-50	Attended George Bell Art School, Melbourne
1951-56	Moved to London, worked as framer and attended the Chelsea School of Art and
	Central Art School
1957	Returned to Australia
1961	Married Lyn Watson
1963	Moved to Upwey, VIC
1964	Travelled to Europe on Helena Rubinstein Scholarship
1969	Moved to Hawthorn, VIC
1972-74	Member, Commonwealth Art Advisory Board
1973-76	Member, Visual Arts Board of the Australia Council
1975-82	Trustee, Council of the National Gallery of Australia
1976	Awarded OBE
1980	Awarded Doctorate of Law, LL.D (Honoris causa) by Monash University
1982	Died, Melbourne

SELECTED EXHIBITIONS

2024	'Late Etchings 1970- 1976', Australian Galleries, Melbourne
2023	'Etchings with Related Paintings 1954-1968', Australian Galleries, Sydney
2022	'Etchings with Related Paintings 1954-1968', Australian Galleries, Melbourne
2021	'Fred Williams: Gouaches and Drawings from the Artist's Estate', Philip Bacon
	Galleries, Brisbane
	'The Ranges: Three Perspectives', Burrinja Cultural Centre, Upwey, VIC
2020	'Fred Williams: Guthega', Olsen Gallery, Sydney
2019	'Grand Country: Fred Williams in Gippsland', Gippsland Art Gallery, Sale, VIC
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2018	'Fred Williams', Philip Bacon Galleries, Brisbane
2017	'Fred Williams: Weipa Series, Cape York', Cairns Art Gallery, Cairns
2017	'Fred Williams in the You Yangs', Geelong Gallery, Geelong, VIC
2016	'Fred Williams: The Australian Landscape', Olsen Irwin, Sydney
2015	'Reducing Landscapes: Fred Williams & John Nixon', Latrobe Regional Gallery,
	Morwell, VIC
2014	'The Continuous Landscape of Distance: Fred Williams' Bass Strait Paintings', Queen
	Victoria Museum and Art Gallery, Launceston
	'Fred Williams: Landscape Themes of the Seventies', Olsen Irwin, Sydney
2013-14	'Fred Williams: The Pilbara', Benalla Art Gallery, Benalla, VIC
2012	'Fred Williams: Infinite Horizons', National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne
	'Fred Williams: Infinite Horizons', Art Gallery of South Australia, Adelaide
2011	'Fred Williams: Infinite Horizons', National Gallery of Australia, Canberra
	'Boundary Line', TarraWarra Museum Of Art, Healesville, VIC
	'Out of Australia: Prints and Drawings from Sidney Nolan to Rover Thomas', British
	Museum, London
2010-12	'Spirit in the Land', McClelland Gallery + Sculpture Park, Langwarrin, VIC, touring
	Australia
2010	'Fred Williams – Selected Etchings', Rex Irwin Galleries, Sydney
2009	'Regeneration – After the Bushfires', Rex Irwin Galleries, Sydney
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2006	'Fred Williams: Paintings and Etchings', Rex Irwin Galleries, Sydney
2000	'Olsen, Nolan, Williams, Drysdale', Works from The Holmes à Court Collection,
	Holmes à Court Gallery, Perth
2004	'Fred Williams: An Australian Vision', The British Museum, London
2001	'Fred Williams: Drawing The Nude', Heide Museum of Modern Art, Melbourne
	'Fred Williams: Landscapes 1959-1981', Monash University Faculty of Art & Design,
	Melbourne
	'From Music Hall to Landscape: Fred Williams Drawings and Prints', Art Gallery of
	New South Wales, Sydney
2000-01	'The Enduring Landscape: Gouaches by Fred Williams from the National Gallery of
	Victoria', Monash University, Melbourne
2000	'Fred Williams: Pilbara Series', Ian Potter Museum of Art, Melbourne
1999	'Fred Williams: Drawing the Exotic', Heide Museum of Modern Art, Melbourne
1996	'Fred Williams: The Queensland Gouaches', Gold Coast City Art Gallery, Gold
	Coast, QLD, touring Queensland
1995	'Fred Williams: A Working Method', National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne
1994	'Fred Williams: Etching 1970s-76 and the Guthega Paintings', Ian Potter Museum of
1000	Art, Melbourne
1988	'Fred Williams: The Pilbara Series', touring exhibition London, Ulster, Belfast,
1987-89	Kilkenny
1707-07	'Fred Williams: A Retrospective', National Gallery of Australia, Canberra, touring Australia
1983-84	'Fred Williams: The Pilbara Series', touring exhibition Beijing, Shanghai, Seoul, Tokyo
1981-82	'Fred Williams: Bass Strait Landscapes 1971-78', touring exhibition Victoria, Tasmania
1981	'Fred Williams: Painter/Etcher', National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne
1980	'Fred Williams 1969-79', Fischer Fine Art, London and Australian Embassy, Paris
1978	'Fred Williams: Paintings, Gouaches and Lithographs 1976-78', touring exhibition
	Sydney, Melbourne, Perth, Adelaide
1977-79	'Fred Williams: Paintings 1963-77', Institute of Modern Art, Brisbane
1977	'Fred Williams: Landscapes of a Continent', Museum of Modern Art, New York,
	touring exhibition Florida, Nebraska, Texas
1974-75	'Ten Australians', Australia Council, Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney,
	touring exhibition France, Italy, West Germany, United Kingdom
1973	Adelaide Festival Theatre Murals, Festival Theatre, Adelaide
1972	'Fred Williams Retrospective', Mornington Peninsula Art Centre, Mornington
	Peninsula, VIC
1971	'Fred Williams: Watercolours', Queensland Art Gallery, Brisbane and Newcastle Art
	Gallery, Newcastle
1970	'Heroic Landscape: Streeton to Williams', National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne

COLLECTIONS

Adelaide Festival Theatre, Adelaide
British Museum, London
Centre for Contemporary Art, Hamilton, New Zealand
Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York
Museum of Modern Art, New York
National Gallery of Australia, Canberra
Parliament House Art Collection, Canberra
Queen Elizabeth II Collection, United Kingdom
Smithsonian Institute, Washington D.C.
Sydney Opera House Trust, Sydney
Tate Gallery, London
Victoria and Albert Museum, London
All State Art Galleries throughout Australia

All Major Regional Art Galleries throughout Australia All Major University Art Collections throughout Australia