

# AUSTRALIAN GALLERIES

## SALVATORE ZOFREA

1946	Born Borgia, Southern Italy
1956	Migrated to Sydney, Australia
1962	Left school to work and study art at the Julian Ashton School, Sydney
1971	Travelled to Europe
2014	Awarded Order of Australia medal (OAM) for services to the Arts.

## SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2025	Australian Galleries, Sydney, 'Seven Days of Summer'
2023	Australian Galleries, online exhibition, 'Days of Summer'
2022	Manly Art Gallery & Museum, Sydney, 'Salvatore Zofrea: The Drawn Line'
2022	Australian Galleries, Sydney, 'Midday Light'
2018	Australian Galleries, Melbourne, 'Days of Spring'
2017	Nancy Sever Gallery, Canberra, 'Paintings and Woodcut Prints'
	Manly Art Gallery & Museum, Sydney, 'Wildflowers'
2016	Australian Galleries, Sydney, 'Watercolours and oils'
2014	Australian Galleries, Sydney, 'Morning Light'
2011	Australian Galleries, Sydney, 'Forest Flowers'
2009	Drill Hall Gallery, Australian National University, Canberra, 'Days of Summer'
2008	Australian Galleries, Sydney, 'Salvatore Zofrea'
	Mosman Art Gallery, Sydney, 'Days of Summer'
1998	Manly Art Gallery & Museum, Sydney
	Von Bertouch Gallery, Newcastle, NSW, 'Works on paper'
1996	David Jones Art Gallery, Sydney
1995	Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, 'Woodcuts from the Canecutters and Odyssey series'
1993	Macquarie Galleries, Sydney, 'Drawings for the Sydney Opera House fresco'
1992	Macquarie Galleries, Sydney
	Von Bertouch Gallery, Newcastle, NSW
	Brisbane City Art Gallery and Museum, Brisbane, 'Capricornia Suite'
	Touring: Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney; New England Regional Art Museum, NSW; Newcastle Region Art Gallery, NSW; Broken Hill Regional Art Gallery, NSW; Wagga Wagga Art Gallery, NSW; Goulburn Regional Art Gallery, NSW; Orange Regional Gallery, NSW, 'The Psalms'
	Karnak Playhouse, Port Douglas, QLD, 'Capricornia Suite'
	Primavera Gallery, Canberra
1991	Macquarie Galleries, Sydney, 'Capricornia Suite woodcuts'
1990	Macquarie Galleries, Sydney, 'An Odyssey'
	Wollongong City Gallery, Wollongong, NSW, 'An Odyssey'
1989	Macquarie Galleries, Sydney, 'Studies for Psalm 37, Homage to Uccello II, 1989'
	Vincent Art Gallery, Adelaide
1987	Macquarie Galleries, Sydney, 'Psalm paintings'
1986	Macquarie Galleries, Sydney, 'Tasmania'
1985	Macquarie Galleries, Sydney, 'The creation'
1984	Macquarie Galleries, Sydney, 'Days of Heaven'
1983	Macquarie Galleries, Sydney, 'Saint Francis and Saint Clare'
1982	Macquarie Galleries, Sydney, 'The Psalm paintings'

1981	The Fine Arts Gallery, Perth, '1982 festival exhibition'
	Macquarie Galleries, Sydney, 'Viewing of studies for the Herald mural plus commissioned portraits'
	Macquarie Galleries, Sydney, 'Lord Howe Island 1981: paintings and drawings of Lord Howe Island'
1980	David Jones Gallery, Sydney
1979	Victor Mace Fine Art Gallery, Brisbane
	Von Bertouch Gallery, Newcastle, NSW
1978	Victor Mace Fine Art Gallery, Brisbane
	Von Toussaint Gallery, Perth
1977	Macquarie Galleries, Sydney and Canberra
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	Victor Mace Fine Art Gallery, Brisbane
1973	Macquarie Galleries, Canberra
1972	Toorak Galleries, Melbourne
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1970	Toorak Galleries, Melbourne
1969	Bonython Galleries, Sydney and Adelaide
1968	Bonython Galleries, Adelaide
1967	Macquarie Galleries, Sydney

#### SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2025	Australian Galleries, Sydney, 'Summer Show'
2022	Orange Regional Gallery, Orange, NSW, 'The Drawn Line'
	Macquarie University, Sydney, 'Luminosity: Salvatore Zofrea Retrospective'
2020	Australian Galleries, Sydney, 'Off the Wall'
2019	Australian Galleries, Melbourne, 'papermade'
2018	Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, Archibald Prize
2017	Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, Wynne Prize
	Orange Regional Gallery, Orange NSW, 'Artist Profile: Australasian Painters 2007-2017'
2016	Touring: Redland Art Gallery, Cleveland, QLD, Gympie Regional Gallery, Gympie, QLD, Gladstone Regional Art Gallery and Museum, Gladstone Central, QLD, Childers Art Space, Childers, QLD, Toowoomba Regional Art Gallery, Toowoomba, QLD and Roma on Bungil Gallery, Roma, QLD, Tattersall's Club Landscape Art Prize
	S.H Ervin Gallery, Sydney, 'Salon des Refusés'
2015	Australian Galleries, Sydney, 'An exhibition of paintings, sculpture & works on paper'
	Maitland Regional Art Gallery, Maitland, NSW, 'Just Paper – The piano has been drinking (not me)'
	QUT Art Museum, Queensland University of Technology, Brisbane, 'Garden'
2014	Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, Archibald Prize
	Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, Wynne Prize
	Australian Galleries, Melbourne, 'one of each'
2013	Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, Wynne Prize
2011	Australian Galleries, Sydney and Melbourne 'large exhibition of small works'
	Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, Wynne Prize
2010	Australian Galleries, Sydney, 'Summer Show'
	Australian Galleries, Melbourne, 'Artists' Prints made with Integrity I'
2008	Australian Galleries, Sydney, 'Stock Show'
2002	S.H. Ervin Gallery, Sydney, '50 Portraits'

2000	National Portrait Gallery of Australia, Canberra; toured NSW regional Galleries, '50 Portraits'
1999	Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, Archibald Prize Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, Sulman Prize Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, Dobell Drawing Prize National Gallery of Australia, Canberra, 'Landscapes in sets and series, Australian prints 1960s – 1990s'
1998	Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, Archibald Prize Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, Sulman Prize Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, Dobell Drawing Prize
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1982	Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, Archibald Prize Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, Sulman Prize (Winner) Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, Wynne Prize
1981	Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, Archibald Prize Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, Sulman Prize
1980	Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, Archibald Prize
1979	Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, Archibald Prize Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, Sulman Prize (Winner)
1978	Macquarie Galleries, Sydney, 'Recent major works by figurative painters' Von Bertouch Galleries, Newcastle, NSW, 'Collectors choice' Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, Archibald Prize Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, Sulman Prize Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, Wynne Prize
1977	Commonwealth Savings Bank, Sydney, Blake Prize Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, Sulman Prize (Winner)
1975	Macquarie Galleries, Sydney, 'Fifty years of the Macquarie Galleries' Blake Prize, Commonwealth Savings Bank, Sydney
1970	Von Bertouch Galleries, Newcastle, NSW, 'Collectors choice'
1969	Macquarie Galleries, Sydney, 'Figurative Paintings'
1968	Blake Prize, Commonwealth Savings Bank, Sydney
1967	Blake Prize, Commonwealth Savings Bank, Sydney

## AWARDS

2018	Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, Archibald Prize, Finalist
1995	Awarded Italo-Australian Man of the Year Achievement by the Italian National Day Celebration Committee Awarded title of Cavaliere (Knighthood) by the Italian Government in recognition of his contribution to art in Australia
1992	Sydney Opera House Fresco sponsored by Toshiba Pty Ltd, Sydney
1986	Churchill Fellowship to study fresco painting in Italy, Canberra
1982	Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, Sulman Prize, Winner Cité Internationale des Arts, Paris, France, Power Bequest Studio Residency
1979	Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, Sulman Prize, Winner
1977	Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, Sulman Prize, Winner

## COMMISSIONS

2005	MBF Health Insurance, Sydney
2000	'Te Deum', ResMed Ltd, Sydney
1998	'Celebration of Life – A Picnic at Clontarf', NRMA, Sydney
1997	'Spring Morning', Star City Hotel & Casino, Sydney
1992	'Summer of the 17 <sup>th</sup> Doll', Sydney Opera House, Sydney
1986	Mural commissioned by the Fairfax family to celebrate 150 years of the Sydney Morning Herald, Sydney

## COLLECTIONS

Australian university collections  
Museum of Modern Art, New York, USA  
National Gallery of Australia, Canberra and most State Galleries  
Private collections in Australia and abroad  
Sydney Town Hall Collection, Sydney  
Vatican Collection, Rome, Italy

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