

#### PERSONAL INFO

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## BIOGRAPHY

Bodhi Del Mar (b. 1983, AU) is a visual artist based from her mountainside home studio on the Gold Coast, Australia.

After studying commercial photography and working in the industry for 10 years, Bodhi deep dived into a creative cocoon and relaunched as an independent artist in 2014.

With photography as her springboard she continues to experiment with a wide range of media to develop her own unique arts practice; including composite photography, cold glass, vinyl, stenciling and painting. (both on canvas and humans).

Her whimsical and metaphorical artworks often speak to both her outer and inner world experiences, using colour and recurring symbols to represent the human psyche.

She is currently working on a number of surreal limited edition giclée print series from her travels to Africa. Antarctica & India and continues to experiment with a wide range of mediums in her original artworks.

## ARTIST STATEMENT

As I explore the outer, so I explore the inner. I'm deeply compelled to examine our connection to the natural world and how this parallels the connection we have to our highest self.

I'm drawn to psychology, symbolism and the journey of the human soul, often using recurring metaphors to tap into and shine a light into the deep subconscious. Each dream-like scene is intended to thoroughly delight and amplify a childlike curiosity and spirit - to hopefully inspire a more mindful heart and heartened mind.

## EDUCATION

Adv. Dip. of Commercial Photography TAFE SA 2004-05 (inclusive)

# EXHIBITIONS

2022 Group "Punk Luxe" Art Lovers Australia, GOLD COAST & MELBOURNE 2018 Group "Flving Arts' Featured Artist at the Judy: Spring" Judith Wright Centre for Contemporary Arts, BRISBANE 2016 Group "Rime of the Ancient Mariner" Retrospect Galleries, BYRON BAY 2016 Solo "The Watercolour Collection" Novotel Hotel, BRISBANE 2015 Solo "Retrospective Collection" Sunshine Thai, COOLANGATTA 2014 Group "Canvas for Creatures" Ground Control, TWEED SOUTH

## AWARDS & PRIZES

2022 Silver Award	PX3 FINE ART / DIGITALLY ENHANCED - PROFESSIONAL (SERIES)
2020 Finalist	Clayton Utz Art Prize
2020 Finalist	Art Lovers Australia
2016 Finalist	Moreton Bay Regional Art Awards photography
2016 Special Award Winner	Cardwell Art Prize FUNCTIONAL WORKS

# COLLECTIONS

National Private Collections Adelaide, Darwin, Gold Coast, Melbourne & Sydney **International Private Collections** U.S.A., Indonesia & Hong Kong

#### COMMISSIONS

2019 Private Collection Sydney AU 2018 Private Collection Gold Coast AU 2 mixed media original artworks 2017 Private Collection Sydney AU 2016 Private Collection Sydney AU 2015 Private Collection Sydney AU

original acrylic painting 180 page book of photography composite photograph 134 page book of photography

## MEDIA & FEATURES

April 2022 Feature Artist - Art Lovers Australia www.artloversaustralia.com.au/feature\_artist/bodhi-del-mar-finding-a-deeper-connection/

March 2022 "Art as Revellion" - Blank Street Press www.blankstreetpress.com.au/arts/punk-luxe-art-lovers-australia

Feb 2022 "Spring Catalogue" - Saatchi Art

July 2015 "A Decade of Fine Photography On Show" Tweed Daily News Weekend Edition, pg 25

## COMMUNITY

Flying Arts Alliance Exhibition Volunteer 2016-18 Enrichment Program Donating 5% of the sale from each artwork back to the local region and community from where it was taken. Currently supporting a range of non-profits, NGO's and community projects world-wide.