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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 surreal mixed media body of work exploring the experience and science of neurodiversity.

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

- 2023 Group "Fenceline Exhibition" Surface Festival, GOLD COAST
- 2022 Group "Punk Luxe" Art Lovers Australia, GOLD COAST & MELBOURNE
- 2018 Group "Flying 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

- 2023 Honorable Mention ReFocus Awards CONCEPTUAL
- 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

- Gympie Regional Gallery Artwork stocked in gallery shop 2019 - current
- National Private Collections Adelaide, Darwin, Gold Coast, Melbourne & Sydney
- International Private Collections U.S.A., Indonesia & Hong Kong

COMMISSIONS

- 2022 Private Collection Sydney AU original acrylic painting
- 2019 Private Collection Sydney AU original acrylic painting
- 2018 Private Collection Gold Coast AU 2 mixed media original artworks
- 2017 Private Collection Sydney AU 180 page book of photography
- 2016 Private Collection Sydney AU composite photograph
- 2015 Private Collection Sydney AU 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 Rebellion" - 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

- Foxwell Secondary State College Guest Artist - Year 9 Workshops 2022
- Moonrise Studio Artists' Rise & Shine Workshop Facilitator 2022
- 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.