

RICHARD LEWER

Born 1970, Hamilton, New Zealand

2000 Master of Visual Arts, Victoria College of the Arts, University of Melbourne
 1992 Bachelor of Fine Art, Elam School of Fine Art, Auckland University

AWARDS AND PRIZES

2016 Fleurieu Art Prize, Finalist
 2016 Basil Sellers Art Prize, Winner
 2015 The City of Albany Art Prize, Winner
 2014 The Blake Prize, Sydney, Winner
 2014 Basil Sellers Art Prize, Finalist
 2013 Black Swan Portraiture Award, Perth
 2012 Gertrude Edition 2012, Gertrude Contemporary, Melbourne
 2012 Australia Council Grant, Recipient
 2012 Geelong Contemporary Art Prize, Geelong Gallery, Victoria, Finalist
 2012 Paul Guest Prize, Bendigo Art Gallery, Victoria, Finalist
 2010 Australia Council Grant, New Work Established, Recipient
 2010 Basil Sellers Art Prize, Ian Potter Museum of Art, Melbourne, Finalist
 2010 Fletcher Jones, Geelong Art Award, Victoria, Finalist
 2010 National Works on Paper Drawing Award, Mornington Peninsula, Victoria
 2009 Maddocks Venice Art Award, Melbourne, Winner
 2008 Wallace art Paramount Award, Auckland, Winner
 2008 Basil Sellers Art Prize, Ian Potter Museum of Art, Finalist
 2007 2D, Norsewear Art Award, Hastings
 2007 Arts Victoria Development Grant, Recipient
 2006 National Painting and Printmaking Award WSA, Hamilton, Winner
 2005 Inaugural National Drawing Exhibition, New Zealand, Merit Award
 2003 Arts Victoria Travel Grant, Recipient

COLLECTIONS

Art Gallery of South Australia, Adelaide
 Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney
 Auckland Art Gallery, New Zealand
 Melbourne University Ian Potter Museum, Melbourne
 Monash University Museum of Art, Melbourne
 Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa, Wellington
 National Gallery of Australia, Canberra
 National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne
 University of Auckland, New Zealand
 University of Waikato, New Zealand
 Victoria University
 Waikato Museum, Waikato
 Various private collections

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2017 *Life Love and Death*, Sullivan+Strumpf, Singapore
 2016 *The Best Thing About Being Away is Coming Home*, Sullivan+Strumpf, Sydney
 2015 *Believe It or Not*, Hugo Michell Gallery, Adelaide
 2015 *Custom of the Sea – Wall Drawing and Live Performance*, ST Paul St Gallery AUT, Auckland
 2015 *It's More Than a Game*, Gow Langsford Gallery, Auckland
 2015 *Parnngurr*, Sullivan+Strumpf, Sydney
 2015 *Parnngurr*, Sullivan+Strumpf, Melbourne Preview
 2014 *Mostly Sunny*, Hugo Michelle Gallery, Melbourne Art Fair
 2013 *The Ten Commandments*, Hugo Michell Gallery, Adelaide

2013 *9 Day Swing*, Fehily Contemporary, Melbourne
 2012 *Gertrude Edition – Tarot Card Series*, Gertrude Contemporary, Melbourne
 2012 *Sometimes All I Look Forward to is Lunch – A Collaboration with Tony Garifalakis*, Hugo Michell Gallery, Adelaide
 2012 *I Must Learn to Like Myself – Library Installation*, La Trobe University Museum of Art, Melbourne
 2011 *Safe Travels*, Fehily Contemporary, Melbourne
 2011 *Painters and Dockers*, Hugo Michell Gallery, Adelaide
 2011 *The Drawing Wall Commission - Last Will Testament*, Shepparton Art Gallery, Victoria
 2010 *The Sound of Your Own Breathing*, Hugo Michelle Gallery, Adelaide
 2010 *New York Stories*, Melbourne International Art Fair, Orex Gallery, Melbourne
 2010 *I Must Learn to Like Myself – Survey Exhibition*, Waikato Museum, New Zealand
 2009 *10 Days in Gunbalanya*, Hugo Michell Gallery, Adelaide
 2009 *Studio 12 Exhibition*, Gertrude Contemporary Art Spaces, Melbourne
 2009 *Nobody Likes a Show Off – Survey Exhibition*, Monash University Museum of Art, Melbourne
 2009 *You Can't Win 'Em All*, Orex Gallery, Auckland
 2008 *Fourteen Stations of the Cross*, Orex Gallery, Auckland
 2007 *True Stories – Australian Crime*, Block Projects, Melbourne
 2007 *As I Stepped out into the Bright Sunlight*, Orex Gallery Auckland
 2007 *It Starts as an Idle Thought and Grows Into an Obsession*, National Art School Gallery, Sydney
 2006 *Keep Your Friends Close and Your Enemies Closer*, Te Tuhi Public Art Gallery, Auckland
 2005 *It used to be so good*, Mark Hutchins Gallery, Wellington
 2004 *In Between*, Enjoy Project Space, Wellington
 2004 *Impending Doom*, Orex Gallery, Auckland
 2003 *Hits and Memories*, Orex Gallery, Auckland

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2017 *The National: New Australian Art*, Carriageworks, NSW
 2016 *Sappers & Shrapnel: Contemporary Art and the Art of the Trenches*, Art Gallery of South Australia, Adelaide
 2016 Basil Sellers Art Prize, Ian Potter Museum of Art, The University of Melbourne
 2016 Next Wave Festival, Melbourne
 2016 Art Stage Jakarta, Sullivan+Strumpf, Sheraton Grand Jakarta Gandaria City Hotel, Jakarta, Indonesia
 2016 *Close to Home: Dobell Australian Drawing Biennial*, Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney
 2016 *Group Exhibition*, Sullivan+Strumpf, Sydney
 2016 *Arrival*, Sullivan+Strumpf, Singapore
 2015 *Footy Fever*, Canberra Contemporary Art Space, Gorman Arts Centre, Canberra
 2015 *Epic Narratives*, PICA Salon, Perth Cultural Centre, Perth
 2015 *Death*, Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre, Sydney
 2015 *From the Collection: Gertrude Contemporary Regional Residencies*, Warrnambool Art Gallery, Warrnambool
 2015 *The Custom of the Sea*, AUT University, ST PAUL St Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand
 2015 *Film*, Art Basel Hong Kong
 2014 *The Blake Prize*, UNSW Galleries, Sydney
 2014 *Memento Mori*, Lawrence Wilson Art Gallery, University of Western Australia, Perth
 2014 *Basil Sellers Art Prize*, Ian Potter Museum of Art, Melbourne
 2014 *Dark Heart – Adelaide Biennial of Australian Art*, Art Gallery of South Australia, Adelaide
 2013 *Melbourne Now*, National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne
 2013 *Onside*, Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre, Sydney
 2013 *Inside Running – The Art of Sport*, Fremantle Arts Centre, Western Australia
 2012 *Negotiating This World, Contemporary Australian Art*, National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne
 2012 *Yonder*, Perth Institute of Contemporary Art, Perth
 2011 *10 Ways to Look at the Past*, National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne
 2011 *On Your Mark, Get Set, Go*, Albury Art Gallery, Victoria
 2011 *Introducing Our Artists*, Fehily Contemporary, Melbourne
 2010 *Drawing Project for Freehand: Recent Australian Drawing*, Heide Museum of Modern Art, Melbourne
 2010 *Basil Sellers Art Prize* Ian Potter Museum of Art, Melbourne
 2010 *Open Studios and Salon*, International Studio & Curatorial Program, Brooklyn, New York, United States
 2009 *Don't Trust the Artist*, Ivan Doughty Gallery, Sydney
 2009 *I Walk the Line*, Museum of Contemporary Art, Sydney
 2008 *True Crime – Murder and Misdemeanor in Australian Art*, Geelong Art Gallery, Victoria
 2008 *Better Places*, Perth Institute of Contemporary Art, Perth
 2008 *Basil Sellers Art Prize*, Ian Potter Museum of Art, Melbourne
 2008 *Bon Scott Project*, Fremantle Arts Centre, Western Australia
 2007 *Crime Lines*, Sophie Gannon Gallery, Melbourne

2007 *Other Worlds*, King Street Gallery, Sydney
 2007 *Bracket Creep – A Projected Committee*, Conical Inc. Upstairs, Melbourne
 2007 *Zonal Marx*, Victorian College of the Arts Gallery, Melbourne
 2006 *Someone Shows Something to Someone*, Canberra Contemporary Art Centre, Canberra
 2006 *Game On! Sport and Contemporary Art*, Ian Potter Museum of Art, Melbourne
 2006 *Who Care's*, Boutwell Draper Gallery, Sydney
 2006 *Commodity and Delight – Views of Home*, Sarjeant Gallery, Wanganui
 2005 *Wellington International Film Festival*, Wellington, New Zealand
 2005 *Untitled Situation*, Ocular Lab Exhibition, Melbourne
 2005 *Final Product*, The Physics Room, Christchurch, New Zealand
 2004 *Rear Window*, The Physics Room, Christchurch
 2003 *Practice*, Adam Art Gallery, Wellington, New Zealand
 2003 *Break*, Govett Brewster Public Art Gallery, New Plymouth
 2001 *Adrift - Nomadic New Zealand*, Conical Gallery, Melbourne

SYMPOSIUMS & RESIDENCIES

2016 Vancouver Arts Centre, Albany, WA
 2014 Artist in Residence, Parnngurr Community (Martumili Artists) Western Desert, Western Australia
 2012-2013 Artist in Residence, Fremantle Arts Centre, Perth
 2010 Artist in Residence, ISCP, Brooklyn, New York
 2008-2010 Artist in Residence, Gertrude Contemporary Art Spaces, Melbourne
 2008 Artist in Residence, Colin McCahon Residency, Titirangi, New Zealand
 2007 Artist in Residence, VCA Drawing Department, Melbourne
 2006 Artist in Residence, St Vincent's Hospital, Melbourne
 2004 Artist in Residence, UCOL, Wanganui, New Zealand

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 2016 Harmon, Steph. 'Basil Sellers Art Prize: Winning work captures agony of sporting defeat', *The Guardian*, 22 July, 2016
 2015 McNamara, T.J. 'Richard Lewer – The Custom of the Sea', *The New Zealand Herald*, 16 May, 2015
 2015 Rainforth, Dylan. 'Richard Lewer's Remote Portraits on Show in Fitzroy', *The Brisbane Times*, 10 February, 2015
 2015 Gallo, Rebecca. 'Richard Lewer: You Wouldn't Make This Stuff Up', *VAULT Magazine*, Issue 9
 2014 Phillips, Anne., 'Richard Lewer Wins 2014 Blake Prize,' *The Blake Prize*, 16 December, 2014
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 2014 Mclean-Chan, Rebecca. 'The Work of Richard Lewer,' *Artery*, 27 March, 2014
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 2013 Rattemeyer, Christian et al. *Vitamin D2: New Perspectives in Drawing*, Phaidon Press: London, 2013, p. 178-179
 2013 Bycroft, Madison. 'Richard Lewer, The Ten Commandments,' *Five Thousand*, November, 2013
 2013 Forrest, Nicholas. 'Richard Lewer Wins \$45,000 Black Swan Art Prize,' *Blouin ArtInfo*, 26 September, 2013
 2013 Rainforth, Dylan. 'Richard Lewer,' *Art Guide*, 14 November, 2013
 2013 *The Ten Commandments*, Famous Visual Services: Fitzroy, 2014
 2013 *God Created me in His Own Image*, Famous Visual Services, Fitzroy, 2014
 2013 *9 Day Swing: Richard Lewer*, Famous Visual Services: Fitzroy, 2013
 2012 *Tarot Cards, The Gertrude Edition: Richard Lewer*, Famous Visual Services: Fitzroy, 2012
 2012 Gellatly, Kelly. (ed.), *101 Contemporary Artists*, National Gallery of Victoria: Melbourne, 2012, p.122-123
 2011 *Painters and Dockers: Richard Lewer*, Famous Visual Services: Fitzroy, 2011
 2010 O'Sullivan, Jane. 'Artist Interview: Richard Lewer,' *Art Collector*, 13 July, 2010
 2010 *New York Crime Stories: Richard Lewer*, Famous Visual Services: Fitzroy, 2010
 2009 *Nobody Likes a Show Off: Richard Lewer*, Famous Visual Services: Fitzroy, 2009
 2009 *I Must Learn to Like Myself: Richard Lewer*, Famous Visual Services: Fitzroy, 2009
 2009 *You Can't Win Them All: Richard Lewer*, Famous Visual Services: Fitzroy, 2009
 2008 Barkley, Glenn. *True Stories Australian Crime: Richard Lewer*, Famous Visual Services: Fitzroy, 2008
 2008 O'Brien, Gregory. *Back and Beyond: New Zealand Painting for the Young and Curious*, Auckland University Press: Auckland, 2008, p. 100-101.

2008 *Stations of the Cross: Richard Lewer*, Famous Visual Services: Fitzroy, 2008

2007 Cormack, Emily. *As I Stepped into the Bright Light: Richard Lewer*, Famous Visual Services: Fitzroy, 2007

2006 *Skill, Discipline, Training: Richard Lewer*, Famous Visual Services: Fitzroy, 2006

2004 *Goodnight: Richard Lewer*, Famous Visual Services: Fitzroy, 2004