

Bernard Ollis Biography

Dip AD (BA Hons) MA Royal College of Art (Painting) London

1951 Born in Bath, England

Studies

1973 – 1976 Master of Art (Painting), the Royal College of Art, London UK (MA RCA London)
1970 – 1973 Diploma of Art and Design, Cardiff College of Art and Design, Wales UK (Dip AD)
1969 – 1970 Foundation Studies Cardiff College of Art and Design, Wales UK (BA Hons)

Lecturing and Administrative Experience

1996 – 2009 Director
National Art School (Sydney)
1982 – 1996 Senior Lecturer/Head of Fine Art
La Trobe University (Victoria)
1977-1982 Head of Painting, Drawing and Sculpture Section
Darwin Community College (Charles Darwin University)
1974 – 1976 Visiting Lecturer
Various British Art Schools

Solo Exhibitions

2019 *Recent works*, Linton & Kay Galleries, Perth, WA
2019 *A Tale of Two Cities*, Victoria Art Gallery, Bath, UK
2019 *Departures*, Aarwun Gallery, Canberra, ACT
2018 *Being There*, Harvey Galleries, Sydney, NSW
2018 *Traveller's Tails - Paris and Morocco*, Linton and Kay, Perth, WA
2017 *Paris and Other Stories*, Aarwun Gallery, Canberra, ACT
2017 *Observations*, Mitchell Galleries Brisbane, QLD
2017 *Favourite Places*, Harvey Galleries Seaforth and Mosman, Sydney, NSW
2016 Run Ya Artspace Linyi, China
2016 *Cultural Exchange of Australia and China*, Linyi Arts Centre Shandong, China
2016 *Storytelling about China* - Shanghai Cultural Centre & Art Gallery, China
2016 *Open Studio – Travel Paintings*, Linton & Kay Galleries, Perth WA
2016 *Travels to Paris*, Trevor Victor Harvey Gallery, Seaforth, Sydney NSW
2015 *Brisbane and Beyond*, Mike Mitchell Fine Art Gallery, Brisbane, QLD
2015 *Bernard Ollis: 54 Works* at Michael Reid Gallery, Berlin, Germany
2015 *Observations of Paris*, NG Gallery, Sydney, NSW
2015 *Theatre of Life*, Buratti Fine Art, Perth, WA
2015 *Antarctica- Shackleton*, The Australian National Maritime Museum, Sydney, NSW
2014 *Bernard Ollis*, Kenthurst Galleries, NSW
2014 *Le Regard de deux Australiens*, L'Espace Beaujon, Paris, France
2014 *Traveller's Tales*, Tweed River Regional Gallery, NSW
2013 *A Town Like Paris*, Muk Muk Fine Art, travelling show to Alice Springs, Darwin, Brisbane

- 2013 *Paris Work*, Buratti Fine Art, Perth, WA
- 2012 – 13 *Modern Living: Bernard Ollis*. A survey of the work of Bernard Ollis, Manly Art Gallery and Museum, Sydney, NSW
- 2012 *Paris Considered*, NG Art Gallery, Sydney, NSW
- 2012 *Parisian Reflections*, Letham Galleries, Auckland, NZ
- 2011 *Paris Revisited*, NG Art Gallery, Sydney, NSW
- 2011 *Major Works*, Buratti Fine Art, Perth, WA
- 2010 *Italy 19* Karen Contemporary Artspace Gold Coast, QLD
- 2009 *The Grand Tour*, United Galleries Perth WA
- 2009 *Journeys through Italy and Egypt*, NG Art Sydney, NSW
- 2008 *Urban Myth*, United Galleries Perth, WA
- 2008 *Incognito* NG Art, Chippendale Sydney, NSW
- 2006 *The St Peters Suite* Michael Nagy Fine Art, Sydney, NSW
- 2002 Stella Downer Galleries, Sydney, NSW
- 2001 Michael Nagy Fine Art, Sydney, NSW
- 2000 Michael Nagy Fine Art, Sydney, NSW
- 1998 Mary Place Gallery, Sydney, NSW
Sydney Theatre Company, Sydney, NSW
- 1997 Hot Bath Gallery, Bath, UK
- 1996 Australian Galleries, Melbourne, VIC
- 1994 Bendigo Art Gallery, VIC
- 1993 Botanical Gallery, South Yarra, VIC
- 1992 Retrospective Paintings and Pastels, Macquarie Gallery, Sydney, NSW
- 1991 Powell Street Gallery, South Yarra, VIC
- 1990 Macquarie Gallery, Sydney, NSW
- 1989 Macquarie Gallery, Sydney, NSW
- 1988 Macquarie Gallery, Sydney, NSW
- 1988 Roz McAllen Gallery, Brisbane, QLD
- 1987 Macquarie Gallery, Sydney, NSW
- 1986 Powell Street Gallery, South Yarra, VIC
- 1984 – 1986 Visual Arts Board, "Bernard Ollis" The Australian Tour; exhibited at:
- Undercroft Gallery for the Perth Festival University of Western Australia
 - Hawthorn City Art Gallery, Victoria
 - Warrnambool Art Gallery, Victoria
 - Ararat Gallery, Victoria
 - Mildura Arts Centre, Victoria
 - Shepparton Regional Art Gallery, Victoria
 - Muswellbrook Art Gallery, NSW
 - Bathurst Regional Gallery, NSW
 - Orange Art Gallery, NSW
 - Benalla Art Gallery Victoria
 - Wagga Wagga Art Gallery, NSW
 - Bendigo Art Gallery, VIC (extended survey exhibition)
- 1984 Macquarie Gallery, Sydney, NSW
- 1982 Macquarie Gallery, Sydney, NSW
- 1981 Macquarie Gallery, Sydney, NSW
- 1978 Warehouse Galleries, South Melbourne, VIC
- 1976 The Africa Centre, Covent Garden, London, UK
- 1976 The Royal Commonwealth Society, London, UK
- 1974 – 1975 Commonwealth Institute Gallery, London, UK

1972 – 1973 College of Art Gallery, Cardiff, Wales

Selected Group Exhibitions

- 2019/20 *Elsewhere: Travels through Morocco, Egypt, Syria, Iran & Central Asia*, (2 person, with Wendy Sharpe) Touring Regional Galleries in NSW
- 2019 *Connections: Art & Collaboration*, Blue Mountains Cultural Centre, NSW
- 2018 *The Art of Friendship*, Gallery Lane Cove, Sydney NSW
- 2017 *Salon des Refuses*, S.H. Ervin Gallery, Sydney, NSW
- 2016 Blue Mountains Cultural Centre, NSW
- 2015 *Three Australians*, Gallery 12, Auckland, NZ
- 2015 *New Romantics* (3 person with Wendy Sharpe and Johnny Romeo), Penny Contemporary Gallery, Hobart, Tasmania
- 2015 *Private Lives: Collections*, S.H. Ervin Gallery, Sydney, NSW
- 2014 *Le Regard de Deux Australiens*, (2 person with Wendy Sharpe) L'Espace Beaujon, Paris, France
- 2011 *Dobell Prize*, Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, NSW
- 2011 *IN[TWO]ART*, Maitland Regional Art Gallery, touring exhibition
- 2010 *Salon des Refuses*, S.H. Ervin Gallery, Sydney, NSW
- 2010 *Tales from the City*, (2 person exhibition with Wendy Sharpe), Orange Regional Art Gallery, NSW
- 2009 *Every Dog has its Day*, Letham Gallery Auckland NZ
- 2008 United Galleries, Perth WA
- 2008 *Contemporary Drawing*, London University of the Arts, Wimbledon Art Col, UK
- 2008 *Vernissage* Oxford Street Gallery, Melbourne, VIC
- 2008 *Drawcard*, National Art School Gallery, Sydney, NSW
- 2007 *Fragile Planet*, NG Art Gallery, Sydney, NSW
- 2007 *Salon des Refuses*, SH Ervin Gallery, Sydney, NSW
- 2007 SCEGGS Redlands Art Prize, NSW
- 2007 Mosman Art Prize, NSW
- 2007 *There is no place like home* NG Art Gallery, Sydney, NSW
- 2006 Hong Ik University Gallery, Seoul, South Korea
- 2005 *Drawcard*, Cell Block Theatre National Art School, Sydney, NSW
- 2005 *Drawing the Line*, Cell Block Theatre National Art School (academic staff), Sydney NSW
- 2005 Art Space, Bendigo, VIC
- 2005 *Lake Macquarie Invitation Prize*, University Gallery Sydney NSW

Awards and Prizes

- 2015 Artist Residency in Zhouzhang, China
- 2014 Mawson's Hut Foundation artist-in-residence, Antarctica voyage
- 2008 Australian Embassy, Artist-in-Residence Studio, Cairo, Egypt
- 2005 Conrad Jupiter Art Prize Gold Coast City Art Gallery Queensland
- 2000 Olympic Arts Festival
- 1992 Selected by Melbourne Theatre Company for season's brochure
- 1989 Selected for Sydney Children's Choir catalogue
- 1988 Heritage Arts Festival Award, Queensland

1984	Visual Arts Board Australia, Council Grant
1983 Campaign	Commissioned series of paintings for Napoleon Brandy Advertising
1982	Gold Coast City Art Awards, Queensland
1977	Sir Fredrick Richards's Travelling Scholarship (drawing), UK
1976	John Minton International Painting Prize, London UK
1975	Artist-in-residence Maltese Studio International Youth Arts Festival British representative
	Artist-in-residence Paris Studio Cité Internationale des Arts France

Collections

- Art Bank, Sydney NSW
- Australian National Gallery, Canberra ACT
- Bathurst Arts Centre, Bathurst NSW
- Bendigo Art Gallery, Bendigo Victoria
- Castlemaine Art Gallery and Historical Collection, Victoria
- Cultural Centre, Valetta Malta
- Darwin University, Northern Territory
- Gold Coast City Art Gallery, Surfers Paradise Queensland
- Grafton Regional Gallery, Grafton NSW
- Herald Sun Art Collection, Melbourne Victoria
- McGregor Collection University of Southern Queensland, Toowoomba Queensland
- Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory
- National Art School, Sydney NSW
- National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne Victoria
- New England Regional Art Museum, Armidale NSW
- Orange Art Gallery, Orange NSW
- Parliament House, Canberra ACT
- Queensland Art Gallery, Brisbane Queensland
- Royal College of Art, London UK
- Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology, Victoria
- The Commonwealth Institute, London UK
- Welsh Arts Council, Cardiff Wales