

THE AUSTRALIAN WOMEN'S WEEKLY

PORTRAIT PRIZE

FOR 1957

An exhibition of entries
selected from those submitted for the
international Portrait Prize, and
arranged with the co-operation of
The Boards of Trustees of
The National Art Galleries of Australia

Australian Itinerary 1957-1958

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The Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery Director: Dr. W. Bryden

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In particular we wish to thank the President and Board of Trustees and Director of the National Art Gallery of New South Wales for their continued assistance, and the staff of the Gallery who have given us so much valuable help.

We are indebted to the Directors of the State Galleries in the Commonwealth, who also acted as judges of our Portrait Prize, and members of the Diplomatic Corps in Australia who helped to publicise the competition overseas.

FORE WORD

In the comparatively short period of three years since its inception, The Australian Women's Weekly Portrait Prize has become widely known throughout the world, and an important annual event in Australian art circles.

Each year increasing numbers of overseas artists are sending in entries. Many, who competed unsuccessfully last year, have submitted paintings again for this year's Prize.

The international basis on which the Prize was initially established has been welcomed by artists both in Australia and overseas, and has proved to be a valuable international art link.

Australians, in particular, isolated from important art circles abroad, have been stimulated by overseas competition.

They have also welcomed the opportunity, through our travelling exhibition of entries, of having their work become more widely known throughout Australia.

The Portrait Prize has also fulfilled one of our original hopes. Judging from letters received, it has led to commissions for a number of competitors.

In conclusion, we would like to record sadly the death in Sydney on July 18, 1957, of Charles Doutney, the winner of the main award in our 1956 Portrait Prize. He had suffered from a rare blood disease for many years.

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OUR PORTRAIT PRIZE AWARDS

BEST PAINTING		BEST PAINTING BY A WOMAN
1955.	J. CARINGTON SMITH (Hobart): Arrangement in Green	JUDY CASSAB (Sydney): Judy Barraclough
1956.	CHARLES DOUTNEY (1908-1957) (Sydney): Dita	JUDY CASSAB (Sydney): Elaine Haxton
1957.	WILLIAM DOBELL (N.S.W.) Helena Rubinstein	VILMA KOTRBOVA-VRBOVA (Czechoslovakia) Eva with drawing

^{*}At time of printing, a new director of the Art Gallery of Western Australia had not been appointed.

CATALOGUE

1	CHARLOTTE BAY (France)	Sylvie
2	ROY BIZLEY (Victoria)	The white jacket
3	CHARLES BLACKMAN (Queensland)	Barbara and August
4	JAMES BOSWELL (England)	Lovely Doris
5	CHARLES BUSH (Victoria)	Bev
6	CHARLES BUSH (Victoria)	Phyl in north Melbourne
7	BETTY CAMERON (Queensland)	Portrait of an old woman
8	JUDY CASSAB (N.S.W.)	Treania Smith
9	LAWRENCE M. DAWS (Victoria)	The English girl
10	BOB DICKERSON (N.S.W.)	Guy
11	WILLIAM DOBELL (N.S.W.)	Robbie
12	WILLIAM DOBELL (N.S.W.)	Helena Rubinstein
13	THOS. GLEGHORN (N.S.W.)	Elsie Gleghorn

CATALOGUE

14	HAROLD GREENHILL (N.S.W.)	Kay
15	NEWTON HEDSTROM (N.S.W.)	Mrs. N. S. Hedstrom, Snr.
16	SALI HERMAN (N.S.W.)	Betty
17	FRANK HODGKINSON (N.S.W.)	Kate Hodgkinson
18	GINETTE JAVAUX (Belgium)	Mireille Bastin
19	RONALD KIRK (Victoria)	Homework
20	MICHAEL KMIT (N.S.W.)	Mother and child
21	MICHAEL KMIT (N.S.W.)	Woman and girl
22	VILMA KOTRBOVA-VRBOVA (Czechoslovakia)	Eva with drawing
23	GRETE KRAKAUER-WOLF (Israel)	Self-portrait
24	ADAM KRIEGEL (South Australia)	Dorothie Sawtell
25	PAMELA MACFARLANE (Queensland)	Self-portrait
26	THORA MEDHURST (N.S.W.)	Ann Turton

CATALOGUE

27	VLADAS MESKENAS (N.S.W.)	Artist's wife	
28	JON MOLVIG (Queensland)	Janet Mathews	
29	JON MOLVIG (Queensland)	Madam Y	
30	ARTHUR MURCH (N.S.W.)	Mrs. Wm. Hay and Winton	
31	KAI NORAMIES (Finland)	Girl	
32	YVONNE PERIN (Belgium)	Giselle Jacquet	
33	WILLIAM PIDGEON (N.S.W.)	Diana Judah	
34	WILLIAM PIDGEON (N.S.W.)	Dorothy	
35	CLIFTON PUGH (Victoria)	Marlene	
36	JOHN RIGBY (Australian studying in Italy)	Artist's wife	
37	JOHN RIGBY (Australian studying in Italy)	Ragazza	
38	J. CARINGTON SMITH (Tasmania)	Hanna and David	
39	JOSHUA SMITH (N.S.W.)	Vaike Liibus	
38	(Australian studying in Italy) J. CARINGTON SMITH (Tasmania) JOSHUA SMITH	Hanna and David	

CATALOGUE

40	MOLLY STEPHENS (Tasmania)	Simon
41	JOHN TALBERT (N.S.W.)	Girl in a green dress
42	WALLACE THORNTON (N.S.W.)	Francesca with lute
43	ALBERT TUCKER (England)	Australian girl in Paris
44	ALAN WARREN (Victoria)	Berwyn
45	PHYL WATERHOUSE (Victoria)	Miss Linton
46	DOUGLAS WATSON (N.S.W.)	Jenny
47	DAVID WILD (England)	Italian girl
48	FUMIO YOSHIMURA (Japan)	Miss Y and a cat
49	BRONWYN YEATES (Queensland)	Self-portrait
50	ANNA ZARINA (Belgium)	The fair boy

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CONDITIONS

- 1. Portraits submitted for The Australian Women's Weekly Portrait Prize shall be of a woman, or of a woman with a baby or young child up to 10 years, or of a child under 14 years. The portrait shall form the major part of the composition.
- 2. Painting, which must be in oils, water colours, or pastels, must be the original work of the competitor and must have been painted during the 12 months pre-ceding the date fixed for the sending in of entries. Each entry must be accom-panied by a statutory declaration by the competitor to the effect that the work is in accordance with the conditions and that the artist accepts the conditions of entry in every respect. A statutory declara-tion is printed on the back of each entry
- 3. The portraits must be painted from life and must be no smaller than 12 x 16 inches. A painting of the nude figure will not be accepted as a portrait.
- 4. Entries must be suitably framed and de-livered at the expense of the competitor to the Director at the National Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, between Monday, August 26, and Saturday, August 31, 1957, inclusive. Interstate and New Zealand entrants are advised to refer to the receiving dates arranged by agents forwarding entries from these centres. No entries will be accepted after 3 p.m. on Saturday, August 31, 1957.
- Entries shall be available for hanging in the National Art Gallery of New South Wales and then to be sent to each capital city of Australia for exhibition for a period of up to 10 months from the closing date of the competition.
- 6. A prize of £1,500 will be awarded for the portrait judged to be the best entry and an additional prize of £500 will be awarded to the best entry by a woman.

- Should the entry judged best be by a woman that entry will be awarded a prize
- 7. Prize-winning pictures and the full copy-right on them shall become the property of Australian Consolidated Press Limited.
- 8. The Sponsors (Australian Consolidated Press Limited) and the Trustees of the National Art Gallery will exercise reasonable care of portraits submitted but will not be responsible for the loss of or for any damage whatsoever to any entry while in their custody.
- 9. No competitor shall enter more than two paintings. Each entry must have the name and address of the competitor and the title of the portrait clearly printed on the back of the work. Entry form and statutory declaration must also be enclosed in an envelope and attached securely to the back of each work.
- 10. Competitors must collect and remove their work as and when notified by the Sponsors either privately by letter or by advertisement. Entries unclaimed and remaining at the National Art Gallery or in the hands of the Sponsors after a period of three months from the date of notice will be disposed of or destroyed, and neither the National Art Gallery nor The Australian Women's Weekly nor the Sponsors will be lightly for any dains arise. Sponsors will be liable for any claim arising out of such disposal or destruction.
- 11. Entries will be judged by the directors of the six National Art Galleries of the six States of the Commonwealth. The decision of the judges shall be final and binding in all matters relating to the awarding of prizes and the subsequent selection of works for exhibition.
- 12. All entries in this contest shall be available for reproduction in The Australian Women's Weekly without fee if required.

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