

VAL JOHNSON CV

Val is an Associate of the Royal Art Society of NSW, and has been painting and drawing most of her life. Originally Val studied commercial art at East Sydney Technical College 1960-63 whilst employed as an artist at David Jones, Sydney.

Val attended David Wilson's Macquarie Art School, Bathurst, 1985-90, furthering studies in life drawing, still life, portraiture and watercolour. She studied printmaking and fine crafts at Mitchell College of Advanced Education, Bathurst, 1979-81.

Val has attended workshops with Robert Wilson and John Wilson, Pamela Thalben-Ball, David Wilson, Ian Chapman and Bob Baird, Sheila White, Owen Thompson. Since moving to Canberra in 1995 she has attended Open Art courses at the Institute of Art, and workshops with Michael Winters.

Val exhibits throughout Australia, and has won many awards for her work. She has had joint exhibitions at the Royal Art Society's, Lavender Bay Gallery in Sydney in 1996 & 98, and at the Sunset Gallery 1997 & 2004. She has exhibited with the Art in Miniature group in Canberra at the Belconnen Gallery and the Raglan gallery Cooma. Joint exhibition with David and John Hatton at the Goulburn Club 2006. Val has had Solo exhibitions at the Sunset Gallery Port Macquarie in 1994, 2004, 2008 and at Yarralumla Gallery, Canberra since 1999-2007. Studio Gallery Canberra 2008. Val is represented at the Sunset Gallery, Port Macquarie NSW, Anthony Rose Gallery, Yass NSW, Yarralumla Gallery, Canberra, and in members exhibition at the Lavender bay Gallery Sydney. Val is a member of the Canberra Art Workshop, and Art in Miniature group.

MAIN AWARDS

1993 & 1995 & 2007 Finalist, Portia Geach Portrait Prize

1996 Royal Canberra Show. First & third miniature, Second Still Life, Tumut Art Exhibition. First open section.
Australian Soc. of Miniature Art (Qld), First, Mixed Media.

1997 Macquarie Award, Port Macquarie, First Flowers & Still Life.
Royal Canberra Show, First, Portraits. First, Still Life, Second, Miniatures

1998 Royal Canberra Show, First & third Still Life, First Miniatures, Third Portraits
Tumut Art Exhibition, First open sec. for small paintings.
Represented Alice Bale Award 1998.
Artists Society of Canberra Exhibition. First, Oils. Second, Drawing.
Begga Valley Art Awards. Best Oil Painting

1999 Royal Canberra Show, First Still Life, First Portraits, First Miniatures, Third Drawing.
Winner John Balmain National Portrait Prize.
Highly Commended Shirley Greathead Award, Royal Art Society NSW

2000. Bega Valley Art Awards, Commended, oil painting section.
Represented James Farrel Self Portrait Award, Castlemaine gallery
- 2001 Bega Valley Art Awards, winner Major Award (acquisitive). Winner Best Oil painting.
Winner Inaugural Allan Hansen prize Royal Art Society of NSW.
2002. Royal Canberra Show. First Still Life, second Drawing.
Artists Society of Canberra Exhibition, second oils, second drawing, second miniatures.
Australian Miniature Society Qld, Highly commended oils.
- 2002 Winner Life Drawing section, Shirley Hannen National Portrait prize, Bega Regional gallery
- 2003 Represented Canberra Art Prize
Represented in James Farrel Self Portrait Award, Castlemaine Gallery
Represented Alice Bale Award for representational Art
- 2004 Represented in the Blackfriars Drawing Acquisitive.
Royal Canberra Show first Portraits.
Represented Canberra Art Prize
Winner major award Bega Valley Art Award
- 2005 Highly Commended Portraits Canberra Show
Non acquisitive awards Rural & Open sections Soroptimist Wattle time Art Exhibition.
- 2006 First Mixed media, Highly commended drawing Snowy Hydro Award Cooma.
Special mention Cowra Festival Art Awards.
Second overall Best Painting in Show Soroptimist Wattletime Art Exhibition.
ASOC Exhibition: First Portraits, still life & Flower gardens. Second drawing.
Third & Highly Commended Industry section.
- 2007 Royal Canberra Show -First Agricultural heritage Award, Reserve Grand Champion, First portraits.
Tumut Art Exhibition 1st Prize small paintings, HC Open Section
Soroptimist Wattletime exhibition second prize still life
Finalist Portia Geach Portrait Prize
- 2008 Royal Canberra Show- First Still Life-Third oils- Reserve grand Champion
Snowy hydro Cooma Best in show
Queanbeyan West first prize oils
Finalist Alice Bale Award
- 2009 Royal Canberra Show- first oils, second still Life.
Tumut Art exhibition- HC Still Life