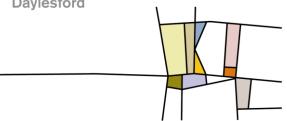
The Convent Daylesford



Keren Sis GARDNER

Artist Statement

Every image in this collection is a voice expressed. While I am glad to have captured the strength they have brought me, I hope you also get a taste of their vastness beyond their distinct feminine beauty.

This Artwork style came to life while recovering from PTSD. At this time, my ability to feel, sense and see beauty within myself and the world was on the decline. Using Art as an expression to heal, I began to illustrate an introspective female using graphite on delicate preprinted fabrics depicting nature. I noticed a weaving of sorts, a collaboration of the botanical and human where they seemed inseparable, intertwined and united. That depth presented a supportive and empowering feminine beauty in all her authentic emotions, one I found comfort in.

This collection is a continuation of my work exploring the strength of the feminine, celebrating pain and love, and her mesh with nature. My goal is to inspire you to see where beauty exists already within and around you, and to bring comfort and strength where it is needed most.

Art Education

1994 Diploma of Interior Design

Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology, Melbourne, Victoria

Professional Experience

2007 - 2008 Assistant Art Teacher

Cavalier Art Workshops, Geelong, Victoria

2010 – 2013 Facilitator and Art Teacher

Creative Art Workshops (self-employed business), Geelong, Vic

2016 Facilitator and Art Teacher

Creative Arts 3 day Retreat (self-employed business), Deans Marsh, Vic

Awards

2022 First place (1st) People's Choice Award

Group Exhibition - 30 x 30 - The Space Gallery and workshops,

Newtown, Victoria

2023 Third place (3rd) Judges Award

Group Exhibition, Bigger is Better - The Space Gallery and workshop

Newtown, Victoria

2023 Third place (3rd) People's Choice Award

Group Exhibition - 30 x 30 - The Space Gallery and workshops

Newtown, Victoria

Exhibitions

2018 Solo Exhibition

Showcasing current work

The Healing Web café, Highton, Victoria

2021 Group Exhibition

30 x 30 Exhibition

The Space Gallery and workshops, Newtown, Victoria

2022 Group Exhibition

Small Works Exhibition

Surf Coast Art Space, Torquay, Victoria

Group Exhibition 30 x 30 Exhibition

The Space Gallery and workshops, Newtown, Victoria

2022 – Current Solo Exhibition

Showcasing various framed Giclee prints and original work

63 Degrees Café, Highton, Victoria

2023 Solo Exhibition

Showcasing 16 Artworks (sellout show)

The Space Gallery and workshops, Newtown, Victoria

Group Exhibition

Bigger is Better Exhibition

The Space Gallery and workshops, Newtown, Victoria

Group Exhibition 30 x 30 Exhibition

The Space Gallery and workshops, Newtown, Victoria

Collections Throughout Australia, USA & Canada