

# Rhonda Stevens

EXHIBITIONS • COLLABORATIONS • COLLECTIONS • AWARDS • BOARDS

**Born:** Melbourne, Victoria, Australia.

**Lives:** Magnetic Island, Queensland, Australia.

**Study:** Victorian College of the Arts, Bachelor of Fine Art- Sculpture, 1993.

## • SOLO EXHIBITIONS - TOWNSVILLE, QLD

Year	Exhibition	Gallery	Description
2016	<i>Tribal Odyssey</i>	Nelly Bay Ferry Terminal 29 August to 30 September	See below.
2016	<i>Tribal Odyssey</i>	Umbrella Studio Contemporary Arts 4 March to 10 April 2016	Tribal Odyssey was inspired by the discovery of an incredible story of the survival, of Barbara Crawford Thompson from the 1840's and her drama and adventure after being rescued by the Kaurareg people from Prince of Wales Island. Rhonda Stevens printmaker and Victoria Walker poet have collaborated in the creation of Tribal Odyssey, an exhibition of poems and prints, which has been reproduced in an accompanying self-published book of the same name celebrating the indomitability of the human spirit of both her and her rescuers. Victoria and Rhonda have been delighted to introduce this little known but fascinating story of 13 year old Barbara's five-year odyssey to a wider audience.
2013	<i>Jolly Jottings</i>	Gallery 48 23 March to 30 April	An exhibition of collograph and etching prints of seashore musings.
2012	<i>Navigate</i>	Perc Tucker Regional Gallery 7 September to 3 October	Suite of metal-based works on the Floating World (twinned exhibition with Margot Laver).
2011	<i>Crossings</i>	Brush and Press Gallery 6 September to 8 October	Selected works from Firestation Print Studio exhibition <i>Crossings</i> in Victoria travelled to Townsville.
2001	<i>Beyond the Journey</i>	Umbrella Studio Contemporary Arts 6 to 29 July	Twinned exhibitions: Installation of sculptures by Rhonda and paintings by Marj Imlach investigating our different journeys.
1996	<i>Dislocated Tracings</i>	Umbrella Studio Contemporary Arts 23 April to 3 May	Sculptural works, mixed media exploring the identity of the individual in the contemporary world referencing the paradigm of the heart.

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## • ANNUAL/BIENNIAL GROUP EXHIBITIONS

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2018	<i>Postcards Down Under Impact10 Spain</i>	Santander, Spain. 1-9 September 2018	Invited to exhibit at Biennial International Print exhibition.
2017	<i>Postcards From the North and South 2017</i>	PressNorth Printmakers Umbrella Studio Contemporary Arts 2 June to 9 July 2017  Firestation Print Studios Gallery, Armada Victoria 19 July to 5 August 2017  67 <sup>th</sup> Street Printmakers Indianapolis Art Centre Indianapolis USA August 2017	This exhibition is toured by Umbrella Studio contemporary arts in collaboration with PressNorth Printmakers, Firestation Print Studio and Indianapolis Art Centre USA.
2016/2017	<i>Postcards From the North and South 2016</i>	PressNorth Printmakers Gallery 48 The Strand Townsville December to February 2017  Firestation Print Studios Gallery, Armada Victoria January 2017  Hawkes Bay Printmakers @ Community Arts, Napier 14 October to 3 November 2016	Collaborative postcard print exhibition with Australian printmakers from PressNorth Printmakers and Firestation Print Gallery and guest partner Hawkes Bay Printmakers.
2015	<i>Postcards From the North and South 2015</i>	PressNorth Printmakers Showcase Perc Tucker Regional Gallery 4 December to 2 February  Firestation Print Studios, Armada Victoria January 2016  Tsubata Town Woodblock Printmakers, Cynus Hall Tsubata Town, Japan 25 September to 9 October 2015	Collaborative postcard print exhibition with PNP, FPS and Tsubata Town Woodblock Printmakers as guest partner and exhibitions held in each country or area. Curated by Rhonda Stevens and Edith May.
2014	<i>Postcards From the North and South 2014</i>	Firestation Print Studios, Armada, VIC 20 August to 7 September  PressNorth Printmakers, Umbrella Studio Contemporary Arts 15 August to 21 September  Printmakers Gallery, Cork, Ireland. September	A collaborative print exchange project exhibition between Australian printmakers from PressNorth Printmakers and Firestation Print Gallery and Irish printmakers from Cork Printmakers Gallery Ireland curated by Rhonda Stevens and Edith May.
2013	<i>Postcards From the North and South 2013</i>	Simultaneous exhibition. PressNorth Printmakers exhibited Gallery 48, The Strand Townsville.  Firestation Print Gallery members exhibited at the Firestation Gallery.	An inaugural collaborative print exchange project exhibition by Australian printmakers from PressNorth Printmakers and Firestation Print Gallery curated by Rhonda Stevens and Edith May.

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1998 to 2018	<i>Members Exhibition</i>	Umbrella Studio Contemporary Arts	<b>Annual:</b> Theme changes each time -
		2018: <i>This is not the End</i> 28 September to 4 November	<i>Still Too Close for Comfort.</i> 58 x 58 x 25cm. On round plinth approx. 20cm high x 20cm wide.
		28 September to 4 November	2017 <i>Fragile Moving Edges.</i>
		17 November to 17 December	2017: <i>Drive</i>
		2016: <i>Generations</i> 11 November to 16 December	<i>Generations Blooming.</i> Each generation blooms in their own way, sometimes even together! - Particularly when able to dream under an umbrella.
		2015: <i>Technicolour</i> 6 November to 7 December	
		2014: <i>Memory</i> 7 November to 14 December	
		2013: <i>Natura</i> 15 November to 15 December	
		2012: <i>Black and White</i> 9 November to 14 December	
		2011: <i>Eleven</i> 11 November to 18 December	
		2010: <i>Evolve</i> 12 November to 19 December	
		2008: <i>Clean Slate</i> 21 November to 18 January	
		2006: <i>Chairs</i> 15 December to 11 February	
		2005: <i>Brollywood</i> December	
		2004: <i>Birthdays</i> December	<i>Banners of Desire.</i> 5 latex muslin banners.
2003: <i>Construction/Deconstruction</i> 12 December to 1 February	<i>Scaffold.</i> Bamboo construction on site with Reina Zeevart.		
2002: <i>Games</i> 13 December to 2 February	<i>Juggling.</i> Perspex pyramid with coloured balls thrown in air by sensor as people pass by.		
2002 to 2018	<i>Compact Prints</i>	2018: 17 August to 25 September	<b>Biennial:</b> International print exchange and exhibition.
		2016: 19 August to 25 September	
		2014: 15 August to 21 September	
		2012: 6 July to 12 August	
		2010: 8 October to 7 November	
		2008: 17 October to 16 November	
		2006: 10 November to 10 December	
2002: 9 August to 6 September			

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<b>2015 to 2018</b>	<i>Printbank Exhibition</i>	Mackay Town Hall, Mackay, QLD 94 Victoria St Mackay 13 to 18 July 2015 11 to 26 September 16 September 2018 Mackay's Artspace Annual Market	Annual Postcard Print Exchange exhibition by Printbank Printmakers Mackay.
<b>2007, 2009, 2011, 2013, 2015 &amp; 2017</b>	<i>NQCC Postcard Exhibition</i>	Umbrella Studio Various	<b>Biennale:</b> Postcard Auction fundraiser Exhibition in collaboration with Umbrella Studio.
<b>2012 &amp; 2014 &amp; 2018</b>	<i>Inkmasters Biennial Print Exhibition</i>	Tanks Art Centre, Cairns, QLD 2018: 27 July to 19 August 2014: 1 August to 24 August 2012: 27 July to 22 August	<b>Biennial:</b> Print exhibition. 2018 entry <i>Interconnected Precious Moments Dreaming</i> 84 x 63 cm Monotype.
<b>2006-2010</b>	<i>Annual Diploma of Visual Arts of Townsville's Barrier Reef Institute of TAFE Exhibitions</i>	Perc Tucker Regional Gallery Townsville 2010: <i>Paths Unlimited</i> 5 to 21 November  2009: <i>Mark Makers</i> 27 November to 6 December  2008: <i>Reality</i> November  2007: <i>40 Carats</i> November  2006: <i>Facing Artwards</i> November	<b>Annual:</b> Diploma of Visual Arts Students Exhibitions celebrating the selected work of students studying at Townsville's Barrier Reef Institute of TAFE in a range of mediums including painting, printmaking, drawing, sculpture, ceramics, illustration, design and digital media.
<b>1993, 1994 &amp; 1995</b>	<i>February Salon Show</i>	Centre for Contemporary Photography Melbourne Vic	<b>Annual:</b> Selected contemporary photography works.
<b>1985-1995</b>	<i>Annual ASV Exhibitions</i>	National Australia Bank 271 Collins St Melbourne And various venues Melbourne city	<b>Annual:</b> Association of Sculptors of Victoria member's exhibitions. 1995 <i>Crushed (Heart paradigm series)</i> Lead, mixed media.

## • TRAVELLING EXHIBITIONS

Year	Exhibition	Gallery	Description
<b>2018</b>	<i>Inside/Out</i>	Inkmasters International Print Exhibition, Tanks, Cairns 27 July to 19 August	Mapping Spiritual Journeys ii Collaborative Print Project. Selected for the second iteration of a further extension to a portfolio of prints by NQ Aboriginal, Islander and Non-indigenous artists on the theme of producing breastplates images relating to reconciliation.
<b>2014 &amp; 2015</b>	<i>Wanderlust and Manhattan</i>	Umbrella Studio Contemporary Arts 22 May to 28 June 2015  NY Manhattan Graphics Centre, USA 22 May to 22 June 2015  Judith Wright Centre of Contemporary Art, Brisbane, QLD 21 October to 8 November 2014	Collaborative project between Umbrella Studio contemporary arts and PressNorth Printmakers culminating in a travelling exhibition of prints showcasing the exemplary skills and talents of printmakers in North Qld.

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## • GROUP EXHIBITIONS AND COLLABORATIONS

Year	Exhibition	Gallery	Description
2018	<i>Print Council of Australia's Biennial Print Exchange 2018</i>	<a href="http://www.printcouncil.org.au">http://www.printcouncil.org.au</a>	PCA edition of 12 - one print resides in PCA archive.
2018	<i>Townsville Art Society Awards</i>	Perc Tucker Regional Gallery 5 October to 28 October	TAS Annual exhibition Entry: <i>Edges of Certain Things</i> 2018 multiplate collograph.
2017	<i>Featured Artist Profile</i>	Sylvia Ditchburn Fine Art Gallery Townsville 24 October to 11 November	A suite of Island song monoptypes and plate works.
2017	<i>Printmaking PUNQS</i>	Pop Up (vacant) Shop Flinders St Townsville. 28 July to 6 September Month of December	Pop up shop, selected artists from Umbrella members.
2017	<i>Gippsland Print Award Exhibition</i>	Gippsland Art Gallery Sale VIC 2 September to 19 November 2017	Entry accepted in the biennale Gippsland Print Award in 2015 and 2017
2017	<i>Hot off the Press</i>	Caffiend Café and Inkmasters Inc. Cairns. 29 September to October 2017	Selected original works from 10 Inkmaster members.
2017	<i>Flavour of the Tropics</i>	Artroom at Vivo Palm Cove 27 January to 20 March	Inkmasters selected member's exhibition <i>Island Song series 18 "Mellow dreaming beneath the Tropical Moon."</i>
2016	<i>Island Song Works</i>	Shop 7 ArtSpace, Bermagui NSW 13 October to 2 November 2016	Visiting artist exhibition Captivated as I am by organic abstraction's ability to relate to parts of ourselves that more literal modes of art are unable to reach so easily I have commenced an ongoing series of works <i>Island Songs</i> . Inspired by my island life I seek to capture feelings of the tropical atmosphere and warmth using colour, lines, arcs and forms to explore the harmony but also that frisson of the energy found in the natural world. (A visiting artist exhibition works sent by mail).
2015	<i>Sydney Contemporary Art Fair</i>	Carriageworks, Sydney, NSW 10 September to 13 September	Collograph works on paper, represented by Umbrella Studio Contemporary Arts. My work is concerned with investigating the common humanity that underlies cultural difference and how we negotiate our individual sense of place, as we cling to an identity in an increasingly homogenised world. In my prints I am using elemental organic forms reminiscent of bibelots and talismans, to contemplate the experiences and feelings of different moments of everyday life.  <i>"Emerging"</i> Precious Moments series Collograph. 49 x 29cm. Unique. 2015. Charbonnel inks and graphite. Hahnemuhle 300 gsm paper. \$295.00  <i>"Shiver"</i> Precious Moments series Collograph. 49 x 29cm. Unique. 2015. Charbonnel inks and graphite. Hahnemuhle 300 gsm paper. \$295.00

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*“Connecting”* Precious Moments series  
Collograph. 49 x 29cm. Unique. 2015.  
Charbonnel inks and graphite. Hahnemuhle 300  
gsm paper. \$295.00

*“Released”* Precious Moments series  
Collograph. 49 x 29cm. Unique. 2015.  
Charbonnel inks and graphite. Kozo heavy  
paper. \$295.00

*“Floating”* Precious Moments series Collograph.  
49 x 29cm. Unique. 2015. Charbonnel inks and  
graphite. Hahnemuhle 300 gsm paper. \$295.00

*“Protecting”* Precious Moments series  
Collograph. 49 x 29cm. Unique. 2015.  
Charbonnel inks and graphite. Hahnemuhle 300  
gsm paper. \$295.00

	<i>Northern Encounter</i>	Impress Studio and Gallery, Brisbane 1 July to 6 July 2015	A collaborative selected print project between Inkmasters Cairns Inc and Printmakers from Japan (curated by Kay Watanabe).
	<i>Northern Encounter</i>	Canopy Art Centre, Cairns, QLD 23 September to 10 October 2015	
	<i>Thinking of Place</i>	KickArts Contemporary Arts, Cairns, QLD Stage 1: 8 June to 18 June Stage 2: 11 January to 20 February	A collaborative selected venture between five groups of printmakers from Australia and New Zealand. Goldfields Printmakers, Melbourne Printmakers Group, North Island Printmakers, The Wai Pounamu Printmakers and Inkmasters Cairns Inc.
	<i>Thinking of Place</i>	Eastside Gallery, Linwood Christchurch, NZ 29 June to 18 July	
	<i>Thinking of Place</i>	The Depot Artspace Devonport, Auckland, NZ 28 August to 18 September	
	<i>Thinking of Place</i>	Post Office Gallery, Federation University Ballarat, Victoria April 2016	
<b>2014</b>	<i>Firestation Print Studio @Federation Square</i>	Federation Square, Melbourne, VIC 14 February to 17 February	Firestation Print Studio selected member's exhibition.
	<i>Dexterity</i>	Perc Tucker Regional Gallery 18 July to 24 August	An exhibition showcasing selected works by participants and visiting master artists in residence from a series of professional development projects engaging GW Bot, Peter Lancaster, Trent Walker and Judy Watson, a PressNorth Printmakers initiative.
	<i>Merge</i>	Canopy Art Centre 24 October to 8 November	Selected prints and drawings by Griffith University Printmakers Club and Inkmasters Inc.

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	<i>Light on the Fringe</i>	Strand Ephemera, Townsville, QLD <i>Videos displayed on Umbrella Studio Contemporary Arts wall</i> 4 September to 6 September	A variety of new media artists from local schools, James Cook University and Umbrella Studio members came together to develop these works coordinated by Robert Crispe, SoCA Graduate. The creative process has been experimental and the diversity of artists involved with <i>Light on the Fringe</i> has allowed the exhibition to showcase different styles.
	<i>About Place</i>	Brush and Press Gallery Flinders St Townsville 9 June to 14 July	Exhibition curated by Jo Lankester with Zelma Schulten and Jo Lankester investigating our sense of place in the changing world.
<b>2012</b>	<i>Out Of The Box</i>	Pinnacles Gallery Riverway Arts Centre Townsville 6 October to 11 November	PressNorth Printmakers presented a group exhibition comprising of 21 printmakers and book artists from the Townsville based Artist Run Initiative, opened by Marion Crawford.
<b>2011</b>	<i>Summer Salon</i>	Firestation Print Studios Armadale Victoria December 2010 to January 2011	FPS Members exhibition.
<b>2011</b>	<i>Crossings</i>	Firestation Print Studios Armadale Victoria April	Joint print exhibition with Marj Imlach exploring connections and friendships over distances.
	<i>Crossings</i>	Brush and Press Gallery Flinders St Townsville 6 September to 8 October	
<b>2010</b>	<i>A Sense of Void</i>	JCU Exhibition Gallery, Townsville, Qld 15 June to 18 June	PressNorth Printmakers group exhibition.
	<i>Annual Black and White (Shades of Grey)</i>	Pigment Gallery, Nicholas Building Melbourne, Victoria June 2010	Selected works on paper.
<b>2008</b>	<i>Them</i>	Umbrella Studio Contemporary Arts 17 October to 16 November	Group installation by <i>Tangled Spiders</i> (Margot Laver, Reina Zeevaart and Rhonda Stevens) in the Vault exhibition space.
	<i>Dialogue</i>	Umbrella Studio Contemporary Arts 27 June to 3 August	Printmaking exhibition with Michele Deveze and Gerald Soworka.
	<i>Meet the Press</i>	Umbrella Studio Contemporary Arts 22 February to 30 March	Printmaking and sculpture exhibition with Margot Laver exploring the power of the media and its influence on our daily lives.
<b>2007</b>	<i>See Hear Now</i>	Magistrate Court House, Townsville, Qld 21 to 24 June 2007	Installation/performance by <i>Tangled Spiders</i> (Margot Laver, Reina Zeevaart, and Rhonda Stevens) at the Multi Arts Festival while musicians were performing.
	<i>Rhythm of the River</i>	Forecourt Pinnacles Riverway, Thuringowa River Festival	Collograph <i>Torn From Paddle</i> series.
<b>2006</b>	<i>Fragments and Layers</i>	Umbrella Studio Contemporary Arts 21 July to 20 August	Selected new work by participants in Glen Skein's workshop (as part of his residency).

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1998	<i>Boxed</i>	Hotel International Magnetic Island Qld	Group exhibition of Magnetic Island Artists. Ceramic sculpture encased in a perspex box. <i>Too Close for Comfort</i> . 58 x 58 x 25cm.
1997	<i>Holed Up</i>	Casula Powerhouse, Sydney, NSW 5 to 17 November	Selected invitation exhibition of five pinhole photographers curated by Leonie Richardson.
1995	<i>Stenopoeics</i>	CCP Melbourne, Victoria 12 May to 10 June	Pin hole photography by 11 contemporary artists from Australia and New Zealand. A group exhibition curated by Julie Higginbotham and Leonie Richardson. <i>Seductive Specimens</i> . Resin, ortho film, mixed media, 5 component lighting installation (each individual section 300 H x 30 W x12cm D).
	<i>Stenopoeics</i>	Albury Regional Gallery, Albury, NSW May 1996	
1995	<i>Seven at Seven</i>	Gasworks Theatre Complex, Melbourne, Victoria	Group Printing Painting and Sculpture exhibition with former VCA students.
1993	<i>VCA Graduate Exhibition</i>	Victorian College of the Arts Melbourne, Victoria 24 November to 7 December 1993	Graduate exhibition.
1992	<i>Mechanical/Botanical</i>	Kyneton Botanical Gardens Kyneton Victoria	Victorian College of the Arts selected sculptural student's exhibition.
1989	<i>Five Sculptors</i>	Arcadia Villa Portsea, Victoria November 1989	Five sculptors presented interior and exterior works in various mediums.
1985- 1989	<i>Annual Exhibitions</i>	101 Flinders Street Melbourne and various venues in Melbourne	Association of Sculptors of Victoria (bronze works exhibited).

### • COLLECTIONS

Victorian Teachers Union  
Perc Tucker Regional Gallery  
Dr Laurie Williams  
Ms Vicki Salisbury  
National Private Collections

### • AWARDS

2010: Pursuit of Excellence Award, Printmaking Award, Barrier Reef Institute of TAFE Townsville.  
1988: Victorian Teachers Union, Acquisition Award (Association of Sculptors of Victoria Annual Exhibition).

### • BOARDS

2010-Present: Committee Member Local Ambulance Committee Magnetic Island.  
2012-2014: General Board Member PressNorth Printmakers.  
1986-1989: General Board Member Association of Sculptors of Victoria.

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