



Ian Willding Retrospective

artwork by **Ian Willding** (1954 - 2016)

Ian Willding is a well-known Australian artist, working in a unique abstract style.

He was born in Forbes, New South Wales, and moved to Adelaide in 1989. This exhibition is a celebration of Ian's life and his amazing artwork. It features work in various media created over the past twenty years, and shows his exploration of various themes and artistic techniques over that time.

Ian was proud of his indigenous background and acknowledged a growing awareness of the depth of his heritage. He has exhibited widely throughout South Australia, won numerous awards, and has been showcased in international publications.

In recent years Ian worked from his own studio at Adelaide Central Studios Collective in the city, the longest continually running studio in Australia.

Fellow studio artist Christopher Orchard said "Ian is a magnificent painter, a wonderful human being. He brought a sense of calm and gentleness, and engagement with visual art practice, that inspired all of us."

Ian found literature a source of inspiration, and often incorporated the physical qualities of text within his work. His paintings are vibrant and colourful, created using a range of media.



Gallery M was very important to Ian, and he made a huge contribution over the years. He served on the Red House Board of Management, was actively involved with the Exhibition Committee and helped in all aspects of gallery operations.

This exhibition was proposed by Ian before his untimely passing in August 2016, and the team at Gallery M are honoured to fulfil his wishes.

After a call for donations, the exhibition costs have been met through the generosity of his many friends and colleagues.

Some of his most recent paintings, as well as artwork from private collections, will be on show.

Official launch by
Dr Christine Nicholls
Senior Lecturer in Visual Arts &
Australian Studies, Flinders University
7pm, Friday 13 January



Journey

artworks in various media by members of the **Red House Group Inc**

2017 starts at Gallery M with a display of artwork by members of the Red House Group. The title 'Journey' is not so much a theme, as an idea for the artists to interpret.

We travel. Through time, through place, we make our way. On memorable journeys to far-flung countries, and intimate journeys within our own minds, we seek out new ways of seeing the world.

Our artwork is also a journey of sorts. We begin with a blank canvas, a block of clay, a ball of thread, and start our journey towards a resolution. This members' exhibition celebrates journeys of all forms.

This exhibition includes a range of media, such as paintings, drawings, photography, prints and textiles. There will also be jewellery, glass, ceramics and timber, including hand crafted jewellery boxes

The Red House Group is a not-for-profit artist managed group, that acts as a focus for art and cultural activities for all individuals and groups in the City of Marion council area and its surrounding region.

Since its incorporation in 1994 the group has continued to go from strength to strength, with over 1,530 artists joining in the past twenty-two years. In any given year membership is over 300 financial members, and approximately 60 of those are showing work in this exhibition.

Initially the group managed the old Red House Gallery on Sturt Road (next to the council admin building), that opened in 1994.

In 2001, when the Marion Cultural Centre was built, Marion Council offered the RHG the opportunity to manage Gallery M on their behalf.



Each year, Red House members get several opportunities to exhibit in this premier suburban visual arts venue.

'Journey' is the first of three RHG exhibitions scheduled for 2017.

images (clockwise from above)
lino print by Ros McDougall
glass & steel wire mosaic by Sue Read
watercolour by Sharyn Helman

Official launch by
Councillor Jason Veliskou
Mullawirra Ward, City of Marion
6.30pm, Friday 13 January

GALLERY M diary

Friday 6 January 2017

CLOSE OF CURRENT EXHIBITION

13 January - 5 February

TWO EXHIBITIONS

- ▶ *'Journey'*
Artworks in various media
by members of the
Red House Group Inc
- ▶ *'Ian Willding Retrospective'*
Paintings by the late Ian Willding
(1954-2016), showcasing a range
of his paintings over recent years.

**Note: Gallery M will be closed
Thursday 26 January**
Australia Day Public Holiday

10 February - 5 March

TWO EXHIBITIONS

- ▶ *'Art of Respect'*
aerosol artworks by emerging artists,
recognising aerosol as a valid art
medium
A City of Marion Cultural Development Project
- ▶ *'X. L.'*
an exhibition of weaving, felting,
tapestry & rugs by members of the
**Handspinners and Weavers Guild
of South Australia Inc**

10 March - 2 April

FOUR EXHIBITIONS

- ▶ *'Anything But Landscapes'*
paintings by **Betty Anderson**
- ▶ *'Splendour of Woman'*
contemporary paintings by
Shahin Azadegan
- ▶ *'Made in South Africa'*
black & white artworks by **Carolyn
Glynn**, story-telling her immigration
journey to Australia
- ▶ *'Frank Koch Retrospective 1877 - 1955'*
watercolour paintings of iconic local
Adelaide scenes and landmarks circa
World War II by **Frank Koch**

**Gallery M welcomes
exhibition proposals for 2018**

talking shop



(left)
'Flat Chat' - kiln fired glass
message tablets with pen
by
Julie Pritchard
\$22 each

WOT'S NEW?

(right)
handmade Kanzashi
brooch/hair ornament
by
Denise Averay
from \$15 each



(left)
handmade stoneware lidded pots
by
Wendie Shephard
from \$35 each



(right)
handmade Whiteoak timber boxes
with Blackwood inlay
by
James Hoofallen
from \$90 each



(left)
'Outback Series' collection
featuring artwork
by
Jon Carl
(four designs available)
greeting cards \$4.95 each
magnet \$6.50 each
china mug \$4.95 each



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Gallery M is proudly operated by the Red House Group Inc. on behalf of the City of Marion
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Gallery M Hours: Monday to Saturday: 10am - 4pm; Sunday: 1 - 4pm. Closed Public Holidays