

# Janet Matthews

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Located in Victoria, Australia

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Janet has been described as 'weaving magic with her pencils'. Coloured pencils and graphite have been her passion since childhood.

Janet manages to capture the personality of her subjects, often showing the 'conversation' between them and reflecting Janet's own personality and sense of humour. By capturing her subjects' quirky behaviour, her drawings often make you smile and her style of combining colour and graphite is distinctive and memorable.

Her new works explore her recent fascination with water and reflections. Such as ducks in their two worlds on top of the water and underneath, as well as magpies peering into a puddle to see their own reflections and even fairy wrens bathing in a puddle. Janet likes to show a different aspect to the world of her creatures, whether quirky, individual or humorous.



*'Hm, Greens' pencil*

View Janet's wonderful drawings of native animals and birds on her website or by appointment at her Studio/Gallery in Narre Warren North, Victoria.

## **GALLERIES**

Town and Country Gallery Yarragon Victoria, Australia

Strickland Gallery Hobart, Tasmania

Brialyn Boathouse Gallery Frankston, Victoria

Light Factory Gallery Eltham, Victoria

Milk Factory Gallery Bowral, NSW

Australian art sales gallery [www.australianartsales.com.au](http://www.australianartsales.com.au)

The Garden Shop, Botanical Gardens -Melbourne and Cranbourne, Australia

Janet exhibits regularly throughout Australia in many exhibitions and details can be found on her website. She has an **Open Studio and exhibition** at her Narre Warren North studio every year on the last weekend in July.

**AWARDS** Janet continues to win many awards with her work as well as exhibiting regularly in Australia and overseas. Accolades include commissions by Australia Post for stamp images released in 2006 and 2009, artwork selected for "Focus in Nature" 2010 and 2012 as well as work selected for the permanent collection in the New York State Museum, USA. Also Janet has had articles in Australian Artist magazine, Artists Palette and other publications and received many other awards. She is the 2011

recipient of the Lindsay King Arts Initiative Award and the Artist of the Year award for the Wildlife Art Society of Australasia.

She is a Fellow of the Wildlife Art Society of Australasia and a Fellow of the Australian Guild of Realist Artists.

**SERVICES OFFERED**

Janet is a teacher and is available for workshops teaching colour pencil and wildlife in pencil.

Available as a judge for art shows.

She accepts commissions, preferably animal or bird themed.



*'Mutual Attraction' pencil*

**MEMBERSHIPS**

- Fellow of Wildlife Art Society of Australasia
- Fellow of Australian Guild of Realist Artists
- member of Friends of the Zoo ( Victoria )
- Australian Society of Miniature Art – Member of Victoria & Tasmania branches
- Member of Wildlife and Botanical Artists Society, A.C.T.
- Member of Queensland Wildlife Art Society
- Member Grampians Wildlife Art Society
- Berwick Artists Society – Member
- Member of Sherbrooke Art Society
- Past President Waverley Art Society
- Past President of Wildlife Art Society of Australasia; (2004-2009)

