

# **Kris Peter**

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Located in Melbourne, Victoria, Australia

Kris is an artist who finds joy in the simplicity and beauty of natural objects and birds. She is inspired by the beauties of the beach, the bush and its animals. Subjects for her watercolour paintings vary from a gum leaf, shell or feather, to her intricate studies of rock pools, patterns of bark on tree trunks and the delicate strength and honesty of her bird studies. She was inspired by the works of Raymond Harris-Ching and Melbourne watercolourist Alan Rawady.

Kris has been a "hands-on" carer for an aviary of Australian birds, as well as a keen birdwatcher. Caring for a neighbour's aviaries for 3 years was a rewarding life experience, as well as providing excellent opportunities to observe her feathered subjects at close range and develop a bond with a rather magnificent red-tailed black cockatoo.

## **Galleries / Representation**

Annually exhibit at Old Post Gallery, Victoria

Red Gum in Olinda, Victoria

Locally often at AGRA exhibitions and art events

at all WASA exhibitions

*Always Curious, watercolour*

## **Major awards & more**

2015 Winner Overall for Excellence, Heather Gibbs Memorial Art Prize

Winner overall Upwey Arts Festival

Highly Commended – WASA at MIFGS

2014

bronze medal at Wild Awards

Best Work on paper – Heather Gibbs Memorial Art Prize

2012

WASA Wildlife Artist of the Year

Best Work on Paper RMPS

First solo exhibition 'Second Nature'

2011

Certificates of Recognition & Signatory Membership AGRA

2010

Best Work on Paper RMPS

2008, 2009 & 2010

Invited to exhibit at Australian Art Excellence Awards, AGRA

Joint runner-up AGRA seasonal exhibition

Numerous minor awards from 2008 until today



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## Memberships

Kris is an active member and Exhibition Director/councillor of W A S A  
Signatory member & former councillor of the Australian Guild of Realist Artists  
(AGRA)

Grace, Australasian  
Gannets  
*watercolour*

