

Artist Profile: Craig Handley

PIERMARQ*
23 Foster Street, Surry Hills NSW 2010, Australia



Craig Handley

B. 1964 · Australia

Craig Handley is an Australian artist working in New South Wales. Inspired by the nostalgia of suburban life in Australia in the 1980's, Craig's work blurs the distinctions between realism, surrealism, narrative and observation. Working sparingly in oil to create a watercolour effect, Handley creates visual snapshots of intimate and fleeting moments.

In the last decade, Handley has exhibited across Australia and has been shortlisted as a finalist in notable art prizes over 80 times including The Sulman Prize, The Wynne Prize and was the winner of Kogarah Art Prize (2015) and the KAAF Art Prize (2017).



Craig Handley, 'chrissyatthechipshop23', 2023, oil on board, $60 \times 70 \text{ cm}$



Craig Handley, 'theshowoff2', 2023, oil on board, 122 x 183 cm

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- 2023 **Super Duper,** PIERMARQ*, Sydney, Australia
- 2022 *Hot Chips,* PIERMARQ*, Sydney, Australia
- 2020 *Make Believe*, PIERMARQ*, Sydney, Australia
- 2018 Exits, PIERMARQ*, Sydney Australia
- 2017 *The Trappings,* PIERMARQ*, Sydney, Australia
- 2016 **Anomalies**, Anthea Polson Art, Queensland, Australia
- 2015 *Roadside*, Richard Martin Art, Sydney, Australia
- 2012 *Miscellaneous*, Richard Martin Art, Sydney, Australia
- 2010 *Roadtrip*, Richard Martin Art, Sydney, Australia
- 2008 *Lucky,* Richard Martin Art, Sydney, Australia

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2021 Backyard, PIERMARQ*, Sydney, Australia
- 2017 **North Head Project,** Manly Regional Art Gallery and Museum, Australia
- 2013 **MMXIII,** Richard Martin Art, Sydney, Australia
- 2012 **Summertide,** Richard Martin Art, Sydney, Australia
- 2010 A Taste of What's to Come,
 Gallows Gallery, Perth, Australia
 Winter, Richard Martin Art, Sydney,
 Australia
- 2004 **Newport Artworks,** Newport, Australia

SELECTED AWARDS & GRANTS

- 2022 KAAF Art Prize, finalist
- 2019 Eutick Memorial Still Life Award, Wollongong, Australia, finalist Tattersalls Art Prize, Brisbane, Australia
- 2018 Glover Prize, Tasmania, Australia, finalist