

Media Release

1 June 2015

- For Immediate Release –

Winner of the Hazelhurst Art on Paper Award 2015



Hazelhurst Regional Gallery and Arts Centre is delighted to announce that the winner of the **Hazelhurst Art on Paper Award 2015** is Glen Clarke.

The judges, leading local artists George Gittoes, Alexander McKenzie and Ildiko Kovacs, declared Glen Clarke the winner of the \$15,000 award at the recent opening of the *Hazelhurst Art on Paper Award 2015* exhibition. Glen's winning entry, titled *Peace Keeper*, is a work made from folded shirts from paper \$US and Iraqi Dinar and cotton thread. The artist says "Peace Keeper is just another irreverent whimsical attempt at

discrediting or making fun of war and weapons, *Give Peace a Chance, Make Love Not War. Just Spreading The Love.*"

The Hazelhurst Art on Paper Award 2015 also featured The Young and Emerging Artist prize of \$5,000, which was won by Becc Ország with her work titled *Rehearsal for all are equal and all may be crowned emperor*, a work using graphite, carbon and charcoal pencil on layered watercolour paper. The Packers Prize of an artist residency at Hazelhurst was won by Teo Treloar with *Black Geometry*, a pencil on paper work.

The Friends of Hazelhurst Local Artist prize of \$5,000 was won by Louisa Chircop with her work titled *Interior Monologue–Carousel of Slaughter*, which explores ideas
More....2/

about one's own uncertainty, spawning images that have a both a sense of self-reflective ambiguity and simultaneously embody a universal picture of morality, spirituality and physicality. The work serves as a reminder that life is a constantly moving force and parallels the act of creativity itself.

Hazelhurst invited all artists - local, state, national and international - to submit works on/or principally with paper for the 2015 Hazelhurst Art Award. Over 1500 entries by 760 artists were received with 93 artists selected for the exhibition and judging.

A diverse range of paper media features in the exhibition including pencil drawings, charcoal, ink, oil, acrylic, gouache, watercolour, three dimensional works, photography, printmaking, video and paper animation.

The exhibition is on display in the Regional Gallery and Community Gallery until 26 July 2015.

Nominations for the People's Choice Award of \$1,000 will close on Friday 17 July. All nominations entered go into a draw to win a \$100 gift voucher redeemable on goods and services from Hazelhurst.

Image: Glen Clarke *Peace Keeper*, folded shirts from paper US\$ and Iraqi Dinar and cotton thread.

On Show: Until 26 July 2015
At: Hazelhurst Regional Gallery and Arts Centre
 782 Kingsway, GyMEA
Open: Daily from 10am – 5pm
Admission: Free

* ENDS *

MEDIA CONTACT:

For further information please contact Andrea Merlak on (02) 8536 5739 or
 amerlak@ssc.nsw.gov.au

*Hazelhurst Regional Gallery & Arts Centre is a facility of Sutherland Shire Council.
 Principal Sponsor Tradies*

