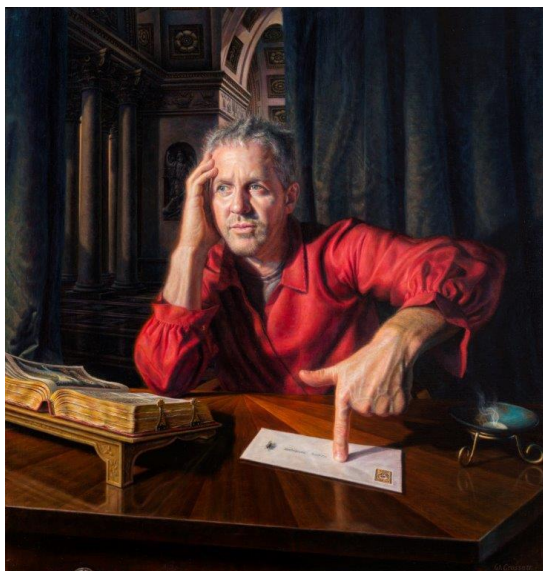


## THE 2015 MORAN PRIZES AT HAZELHURST

9 April – 5 June 2016



Hazelhurst Regional Gallery & Arts Centre is proud to present the 2015 Moran Prizes, an exhibition showcasing the winners and finalists of the 2015 Doug Moran National Portrait Prize and the 2015 Moran Contemporary Photographic Prize.

*The Doug Moran National Portrait Prize (DMNPP)* is the richest award for excellence in portrait painting in Australia, currently with an annual first prize of \$150,000. Following the exhibition of the 2015 Prize Finalists at Juniper Hall in Paddington (Oct 2015) the Moran Art Foundation is touring the exhibition to regional galleries in 2016 commencing with Hazelhurst.

The DMNPP, founded by Doug & Greta Moran and family in 1988, and now in its 28<sup>th</sup> year, is an annual event aimed at encouraging the development of the portraiture skills of Australian artists and increasing the awareness and appreciation of Australian visual arts. Artists must interpret the look and personality of a chosen sitter, either unknown or well known. The exhibition displays the top 30 works selected by nominated judges, including this year's winner, Warren Crossett for his painting titled *Self Portrait after St Jerome Flanders*.

*The Moran Contemporary Photographic Prize (MCP)* established in 2007 is a national competition that awards and promotes Australian contemporary photography and excellence in all forms of still based artwork.

The MCP invited photographers to interpret 'Contemporary Life in Australia' with an emphasis on Australians going about their day-to-day life. The aim is to encourage the production of photographs taken in Australia, by Australians, that reflect the diversity, multiculturalism and uniqueness of life, no matter where you live in Australia. The exhibition features the works of 30 photographers including this year's winner, Trent Mitchell for his photo *Boy in Boat, Hervey Bay Qld 2015*.

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The *2015 Moran Contemporary Photographic Prize – Students*, an exhibition of the winners and finalist works of students in Years K-12 including photography from three Sutherland Shire Students, will be on show at Moran Gallery Sylvania from 31 March to 29 May 2016. The Moran Gallery is a collaboration between Moran Health Care Group and Hazelhurst Regional Gallery & Arts Centre.

The Doug Moran National Portrait Prize is a Moran Arts Foundation touring exhibition.

**Image captions:**

Left: Winner 2015 Doug Moran National Portrait Prize, Warren Crossett *Self Portrait after St. Jerome Flanders*, oil on canvas.  
Right: Winner 2015 Moran Contemporary Photographic Prize, Trent Mitchell *Boy in Boat, Hervey Bay Qld 2015*.

For further details please visit [www.hazelhurst.com.au](http://www.hazelhurst.com.au).

- On Show:** 9 April – 8 June 2016  
**At:** Hazelhurst Regional Gallery & Arts Centre, 782 Kingsway, Gymea NSW  
**Open:** Daily 10am – 5pm.  
**Admission:** Free  
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