

Mike Adey

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Mike Adey is an Illustrator and painter living in the inner-western suburbs of Melbourne, Australia. Born in Adelaide, South Australia in 1972, Mike trained as Illustrator at the University of South Australia (1995 – 1998). After graduating with a Bachelor of Design (Illustration Design) in 1999, he moved to Melbourne, Victoria in 2001.

Mike is influenced by many of the modern artists like Picasso, Warhol, and Lichtenstein. As well as the Australian modern artists of Nolan, Tucker, Blackman and Shead. But the 1990's Australian surf clothing brand and artwork icon "Mambo" really opened his eyes to Illustration and painting while he was at University. Mambo brought colourful, graphic and sometimes humorous ideas with an Australian touch which inspired Mike, and he thought "I can do that!"...so he did! In 2005, Mike moved away from the graphic design and illustration world and started to paint on canvas.

Since then, Mike has exhibited every year since 2007 with the Hobsons Bay City Councils "Art in Public Places" art program. In 2009 his art was judged by two guest judges from the VCA as "Highly commended". Mike has also had successful group/solo exhibitions around Melbourne. In 2011 was the first time he exhibited overseas, in a group show in Denmark.

Mike's paintings are in collections in Adelaide, Melbourne, Sydney, Perth, Hobart (Australia), Singapore, Hong Kong, Aarhus (Denmark), Ventabren (France) and New York (USA).

Education:

1995-1998, University of South Australia, Bachelor of Design (Illustration Design)

1994, Adelaide Central School of Art, Short Courses: Drawing 1&2, Life Drawing, Graphic Design, Illustration

Group Exhibitions:

2016, Bluethumb art showcase, Midsumma Festival, Carnival day, Melbourne, VIC

2012, FanBoy vs. ArtBoy: Fairytales and fables exhibition, ArtBoy Gallery, Prahran VIC

2011, FanBoy vs. ArtBoy: Sci-Fi exhibition, ArtBoy Gallery, Prahran VIC

2011, The summer is magic, Galleri Tom Franke, Næstved, Denmark

2011, FanBoy vs. ArtBoy: Comics exhibition, ArtBoy Gallery, Prahran VIC

2011, StreetSmart: No Reserve Art Auction 2011, The Substation, Newport VIC

2011, FanBoy vs. ArtBoy: Videogames exhibition, ArtBoy Gallery, Prahran VIC

2010, BSG (Brunswick Street Gallery), Painting 10B Exhibition, Fitzroy VIC

2010, ArtBoy Gallery, Prahran VIC

2010, Old Post Office Gallery, Seymour VIC

2010, Galerie Tara: May Fundraiser Group Exhibition, Galerie Tara, Kew VIC

2010, LavART on the Wall : Art in Public Places, Laverton Community Centre, Laverton VIC

2010, StreetSmart: No Reserve Art Auction 2010, Louis Joel Gallery, Altona VIC

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2009, Artistry Galleries, 10 x 4 exhibition: Malvern VIC

1998, Rocket: Illustration Graduation Book Launch, Rubikon Room, Adelaide

1997, Life Drawing Exhibition, FAD Gallery, Adelaide

Solo Exhibitions:

2015, Mike Adey showcase of 4 paintings, The Pad Cafe, South Kingsville, VIC
2013, The Mike Adey Experience exhibition, Walkway Gallery, Bordertown SA
2011, ArtBoy gallery: Showcase exhibition, Prahran VIC
2011, Hobsons Bay City Council: Art In Public Places, Famous Blue Raincoat, South Kingsville VIC
2010, Famous Blue Raincoat, South Kingsville VIC
2010, Hobsons Bay City Council: Art In Public Places, Famous Blue Raincoat, South Kingsville VIC
2009, Cafe no.5, Melbourne VIC
2009, Hobsons Bay City Council: Art In Public Places, Famous Blue Raincoat, South Kingsville VIC
2009, Famous Blue Raincoat, South Kingsville VIC
2008, Hobsons Bay Nursery and Gallery, Newport VIC
2008, Hobsons Bay City Council: Art In Public Places, Iceberg Cafe and Bar, Williamstown VIC
2008, Mike adey: al caffe numero cinque! Cafe No.5, East Brunswick VIC
2007, Hobsons Bay City Council: Art In Public Places, Hobsons Bay Nursery and Gallery, Newport VIC

Publications:

2014 Art/Edit Magazine (Aus), 2013 Artist Interview in Home Concept Magazine (Malaysia), 2013 Australian Art collectors Magazine (Aus), 2011 Timeout Melbourne (Aus), Interviewed for FanBoy vs. ArtBoy: Comics group exhibition, 2010 D.A.M. Magazine (USA), Issue 12 February 2010.

Represented galleries:

100th Gallery, 200 Normanby Rd, South Melbourne VIC

web: <http://100thgallery.com/gallery/mike-adey/>

ArtBoy Gallery, 99 Greville st, Prahran VIC

web: http://www.artboygallery.com/ArtBoy_Gallery/Artists/Pages/Mike_Adey.html