

## THEA ANAMARA PERKINS

b. 1992, raised on Gadigal Country / Sydney, with family ties to Redfern community  
Arrente and Kalkadoon language groups  
Lives and works on Gadigal Country / Sydney

### EDUCATION

2015 University of NSW Art and Design (deferred)

### AWARDS

- 2021 **Brett Whiteley Travelling Art Scholarship**, Brett Whiteley Studio (finalist)  
**Telstra National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Awards**, Museum and Gallery of Northern Territory (finalist)  
**Archibald Prize**, Art Gallery of NSW (finalist)
- 2020 **The 41<sup>st</sup> Alice Prize National Contemporary Art Award**, Araluen Arts Centre (winner)  
**Dreaming Award for Emerging Artists**, Australia Council First Nations Arts Awards (winner)  
**Archibald Prize**, Art Gallery of NSW (finalist)
- 2019 **Brett Whiteley Travelling Art Scholarship**, Brett Whiteley Studio (finalist)  
**Archibald Prize**, Art Gallery of NSW (finalist)

### GRANTS & RESIDENCIES

- 2021 The Clothing Store Artist Studios residency, Carriageworks  
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### COLLECTIONS

Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney  
Art Gallery of South Australia, Adelaide  
Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory, Darwin  
Araluen Art and Culture Precinct, Alice Springs  
Queensland Children's Hospital, Brisbane  
Slattery Collection, Sydney

### COMISSIONS

- 2021 **WISH magazine cover**, The Australian newspaper  
**Faces of Sydney Festival**, City of Sydney
- 2020 **Clothilde**, Vogue Australia

### SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2022 **Verge Gallery**, University of Sydney
- 2021 ***Eight Views of the Telegraph Station***, N.Smith Gallery, Sydney  
***Shimmer***, N.Smith Gallery, Sydney
- 2020 ***Glimmer***, Edwina Corlette Gallery, Brisbane

2019 *Anamara*, Our Neon Foe, Sydney

2018 *History House*, Firstdraft, Sydney

### SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2022 *I will tell you my story*, UTS Gallery, Sydney  
*Melbourne Art Fair*, N.Smith Gallery Booth, Melbourne

2021 *Telstra National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Awards*, Museum and Gallery of Northern Territory, Darwin  
*Opening Exhibition: Welcome*, N.Smith Gallery, Sydney

2020 *From My Window: Together In Art*, Art Gallery of NSW, Sydney  
*Archibald Prize*, Art Gallery of NSW, Sydney  
*My Imagination*, Edwina Corlette Gallery, Brisbane

2019 *TARNANTHI*, Art Gallery of SA, Adelaide  
*Archibald Prize*, Art Gallery of NSW, Sydney

2018 *The Waves*, Sullivan+Strumpf, Sydney

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**Art Collector Magazine**, 'NATSIAA 2021', Daniel Browning, #98 Oct - Dec 2021

**Harper's Bazaar**, 'Female gaze: Four Australian artists on reclaiming their own image', Mariela Summerhays, 27 September 2021

**Hunter & Folk**, 'The 2021 Telstra National Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Art Awards', Emma-Kate Wilson, 8 August 2021

**Vogue Living**, '3 Australian First Nations artists on truth-telling through their work', Alexia Petsinis, 28 July 2021

**A Rich Life**, 'Telstra National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Awards' + Interview with 2021 finalist Thea Perkins', Kirsty Francis, 21 July 2021

**Sydney Morning Herald**, 'Why Now is the Right Time for Thea Perkins to Take on Grandfather Charles' Image', Kerrie O'Brien, 15 July 2021

**Inside Out**, 'Thea Anamara Perkins', Laura Barry, 8 July 2021

**WISH Magazine**, 'Brilliant, Bold, & Beautiful', Matthew Westwood, 4 June 2021

**The Design Files**, 'The Amazing Art-Making Of Thea Anamara Perkins', Sasha Gattermayr, 4 June 2021

**The Australian**, 'Perkins Family new star', Matthew Westwood, 2 June, 2021

**Art Collector**, '50 Things | Notable Accolades', Lisa Slade, Issue #95, 2021

**Vogue Australia**, 'Meet the 5 changemakers educating the public on Indigenous and First Nations art', Myles Russell-Cook, 11 November 2020

**The Australian newspaper**, 'A famous name in the frame', The Australian, Matthew Westwood, 28 May 2020

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**ABC News**, 'Indigenous artist Thea Perkins, who is the granddaughter of legendary activist Charlie Perkins, helped to restore the mural', Meredith Griffiths, 28 April 2018