

# DAVID R. GREGSON

1934 - 2002

1934 Born - Perth, Western Australia  
1951-54 Studied Perth Technical College  
1955 Ecole Nationale Superieure des Beaux-Arts, Paris

## Lecturer

1957-80 Perth Technical College  
Fremantle Technical School  
Claremont Technical College (School of Art)  
W.A.I.T. (Curtin University)  
1960-70's Summer Schools - University of Western Australia, Albany,  
Bunbury, Busselton  
1991 Artist-in-Residence, Edith Cowan University

## Prizes

1953 Jackson's Art Award  
Perth Society of Artists and MacKenzie Award  
1964 Bunbury Art Prize  
Claude Hotchin Art Prize  
1976 Parmelia Portrait Prize  
1977 Parmelia Portrait Prize - Best W.A. entry other than the winner.  
1981 Bunbury Art Purchase award  
1983 City of Bunbury Art Purchase award  
City of Bayswater Art Purchase award  
1987 Finalist in Doug Moran National Portrait Prize

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## Exhibitions

1953	Government Tourist Bureau, Hay Street, Perth
1956	Bon Marche, Perth
1974	Skinner Galleries, Perth with Ross Morrow
1976	Undercroft Gallery, University of Western Australia with Ross Morrow and Miriam Stannage Studio 42, Roe Street, Perth
1980	City of Stirling Libraries
1981	Brook Studio, Darlington (auction)
1982	Brook Studio, Darlington (auction)
1984	Quentin Gallery, Perth
1985	Quentin Gallery with Lloyd Rees and Miriam Stannage
1985	Retrospective Exhibition (1955-1984)
1985	Undercroft Gallery, University of Western Australia
1986	Blaxland Gallery, Sydney, N.S.W. Fremantle Art Centre
1987	Brook Studio, Darlington
1988	Brook Studio, Darlington York Spring Festival, Holy Trinity Church
1989	'A' Shed, Victoria Quay, Fremantle, W.A.
1990	Perth Galleries - Exhibition held Brook Studio, Darlington
1991	Bunbury City Art Gallery Project Show
1991	Perth Galleries
1992	Gomboc Gallery, Middle Swan, W.A. (Summer in Provence)
1993	New Norcia Art Gallery (New Norcia Impressions)
1994	Academy of Performing Arts Edith Cowan University
1996	Stafford Studios, Cottesloe, W.A.

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1997	Broome Intercontinental Resort, arranged by Matso's Gallery, Broome
1998	Stafford Studios, Cottesloe W.A.
1999	Stafford Studios, Cottesloe W.A., "Touch of Provence".
1999	Art Co-ordinates, Subiaco W.A., "David Gregson Retrospective"
2001	IASKA, Kellerberrin, W.A., "A Painters Language".
2006	Stafford Studios, Cottesloe W.A., "Unseen".
2008	Mundaring Arts Centre W.A., "A Desire to Relate".
2009	"A Desire to Relate" Art on the Move, Geraldton,
2010	"A Desire to Relate" Art on the Move, Katanning,
2011	"A Desire to Relate" Art on the Move, Mandurah, Esperance, Bunbury, Busselton, Albany, Ellenbrook.
2012	"A Desire to Relate" Art on the Move, Moora.
2012	"Looking Back" Darlington Dental and Art Space.

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## **Invitation and Group Exhibitions**

1963-68	Darlington Arts Festival Cremorne Art Gallery, Perth
1970-93	Darlington Arts Festival
1971-74	Annual Invitation Art Exhibition W.A.I.T. (Curtin University)
1976	Inaugural Exhibition Gallery G, Perth
1978-93	Drabble Gallery, Guildford
1980	Contemporary W.A. Painters and Printmakers, Fremantle Art Gallery
1980-88	Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital
1981	W.A. Artists Festival of Perth University of Western Australia
1982-84	Pegasus Art Award
1982	Landscape Images, Fremantle Arts Centre Painters' Papers, Fremantle Arts Centre Opening Colonial Mutual Building, Perth Opening Arts Complex, Foothills School, Guildford.
1983, 1993-99	Old Haleians Exhibition, Hale School, Perth
1983-85	W.A. Week Art Award, Fremantle Art Gallery
1983	W.A. Artists, Holdsworth Gallery, Sydney Broome Centenary Exhibition
1983-85	Fremantle Prize for Drawing, Fremantle Art Gallery
1986	Newport Fremantle Exchange W.A. Week Invitation Art Award Exhibition Fremantle Arts Centre
1986	Palciexpo Perth America's Cup International Exposition, Fremantle Opening Black Swan Gallery, Fremantle
1986-91	Gomboc Gallery, Middle Swan, W.A.
1987	America's Cup Exhibition, Observation City, W.A.

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1990	Eaglehawk Galleries, N.S.W. 'Darlington and the Hills', Alexander Library, Perth
1991	Gallery of Carillon, Perth W.A. Painting Exhibition, Tokyo, Japan
1992	Gomboc Gallery, Middle Swan, W.A. 10th Anniversary Exhibition
1994-95	Shinju Matsuri Festival, Broome
1998	Mundaring Art Centre "There Was A Presence"
2000	Stafford Studios, Cottesloe, W.A. "Ballet on Show"

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## Collections

The Art Gallery of Western Australia

The University of Western Australia

Edith Cowan University

Western Australian Institute of Technology (Curtin University)

Bunbury Art Gallery

Claremont School of Art

Art Bank, N.S.W.

Private Collections W.A., Eastern States, Europe, U.S.A., Hong Kong and Japan

Rural and Industries Bank (Bank West)

Westpac Banking Corporation (Challenge)

Perth Building Society (Challenge Bank)

Barclays Bank, Perth (St. George)

Fremantle Credit Union

Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital

Royal Perth Hospital

Princess Margaret Hospital

Bayswater City Council Chambers

Mundaring Shire Art Collection

State Government Insurance Office

Ansett International Hotel

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Orchard Hotel (Grand Chancellor)

Parmelia Hilton Hotel

Mustard Catering, Fremantle

The Vines Resort, Upper Swan W.A.

Crocodile Hotel, N.T.

Travel Lodge, Perth

United Construction Pty. Ltd.

Langley Plaza Hotel, Perth

Trans City Holdings Ltd.

Mitchell Coots Engineering Australia Pty. Ltd.

BHP (Mt. Newman Mining)

Larchill Corporation, Perth

Sons of Gwalia

Hooker Projects, Perth

National Tennis Centre, Melbourne, Vic.

Coles Myer Corporation Collection, N.S.W.

Elders IXL, Melbourne

Channel Nine, W.A.

Channel Ten, W.A.

Belmont High School

State Energy Commission (Western Power)

Mallesons Stephen Jaques, Perth

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G.B.I. Industries

Omegatrend

Maxwell Cox & Partners

Robinson Cox (Clayton Utz, Solicitors)

Minproc Holdings

Rottnest Lodge

Charles Learmonth Duffy

Coopers & Lybrand

Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions

Eyres Reed (CIBA)

Scientific Services Ltd.

Shire of Swan

Kalgoorlie Consolidated Mines Ltd.

Hollywood Private Hospital

Australia Post

Hale School, Wembley W.A.

Minster for the Arts - For Justice - The Attorney General

Freehill Hollingdale & Page

Officer of Minister for Health



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## Murals

1956	Gregsons Auctioneers Pty. Ltd., Perth
1960's	L'Aurora Nightclub Hackett Hall, University of W.A. Carl Wigger Hair Salon Geraldton Hospital Esperance Hospital Moora Hospital Bridgetown Hospital Romano's Nightclub Numerous restaurants throughout the Perth metropolitan area
1985	Ansett International Hotel, Perth
1995	Subiaco Oval Football Stadium

## Portrait Commissions

Professor Donald Watts - Vice Chancellor of Notre Dame University

A.D. Gillespie - Past Headmaster Guildford Grammar School (1899 - 1903)

Numerous Private Collections

1976 Winner Parmelia Portrait Prize

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## **Stage Design**

1960's                      Patch Theatre, William Street, Perth  
  
                                    Guild Theatre, Hay Street, Perth  
  
                                    Darlington Theatre Players

## **Stained Glass Window**

1990                      Darlington Hall

## **Book Illustrations**

1976                      'The Overlander's Handbook' by Mary Gage,  
                                    ID Publications, Perth

1981                      'Praise the Egg' by Mary Gage, Angus & Robertson,  
                                    Publishers. Winner 1980 Angus & Robertson Fellowship

1986                      Front Cover 'Dial Marina' by Lee Knowles,  
                                    Fremantle Arts Centre Press Publishers

1993                      'Summer Shorts' Edited by Peter Holland  
                                    Fremantle Arts Centre Press Publishers

1995                      Front Cover "A Town Like No Other", the living tradition  
                                    of New Norcia edited by David Hutchinson  
                                    Fremantle Arts Centre Press, Publishers

1997                      The Challenge and the Chance by K. Forrest, Hesperian Press  
                                    W.A.

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## **Selected Bibliography**

'Huge Mural Completed'

West Australian 18 July 1961

C.G. Hamilton

'David Gregson's Rocks (in a landscape setting) are Full of Merit'

West Australian 6 November 1961

Hillary Merrifield

'Hotchin Prize'

West Australian 6 August 1964

AMB

'Image in the Clay'

Phil Harris' production In a Sun-baked Bushland Glade (Credits to David Gregson)

The Record May 1966

Alan McCulloch

Encyclopaedia of Australian Art

Hutchinson of Australia 1968

Jill Crommelin

'Meet Col Biggle the Helpful Ghost'

West Australian 23 October 1970

Murray Mason

'Link and Art Education'

West Australian 20 May 1971

Murray Mason

'Two Displays with Merit'

West Australian 25 October 1974

Cedric Baxter

'Two Brilliant Portraits'

Sunday Independent 27 October 1974

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Murray Mason

'Gregson's Entry - Painter's Portrait'  
West Australian 7 June 1976

Laurie Knott

Major Prize  
The Sunday Times July 1976

Diane Walter

'The Handbook is Illustrated by Fine Charcoal Sketches'  
West Australian 7 August 1976

Murray Mason

'Pageant of Drawings'  
West Australian 21 October 1976

Max Germaine

Artists and Galleries of Australia and New Zealand  
Lansdowne Editions 1979

Murray Mason (Editor)

Contemporary Western Australian Painters and Printmakers  
Fremantle Arts Centre Press 1979

Trea Wiltshire

'Eye Catching Red Cover and Fine Illustrations by David Gregson'  
Western Mail 3 October 1981

Rod Anderson

'Paintings Display the Sure Touch and Delicacy of a Confident and Accomplished  
Artist'  
Western Mail 10 October 1981

Ted Snell

'How to See the Artist Evolve'  
Western Mail 4 September 1982

Ted Snell

'Interesting Works by David Gregson'  
Western Mail 18 June 1983

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Santina's Cookbook

'Experiment Says Artist, Give all Senses a Chance'  
Daily News 7 September 1983

Murray Mason

'David Gregson's Summer Morning Riverbank is a Gentle Mood Painting'  
West Australian 22 September 1983

Western Mail

'Ready for Launching'  
Western Mail 29 March 1984

Ted Snell

'Rich Rewards at Gregson Showing'  
Western Mail 14-15 April 1984

Murray Mason

'Style to the Fore'  
West Australian 17 April 1984

Julie Prott

'Hills Artist Lured out for Solo Show'  
Sunday Times 29 April 1984

Julie Prott

'Gregson's Incredible Versatility'  
Sunday Times 13th October 1985

Ted Snell

'History of a Stayer'  
The Western Mail 12th - 13th October 1985

Murray Mason

'Delicate Balance'  
West Australian 14 October 1985

John Scott

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'Landscapes of Western Australia'  
Aeolian Press, Perth 1986, page 56

Julie Prott  
'Special Significance in Gregson's Work'  
West Australian 26th August 1986

Barbara Chapman  
The Rural and Industries Bank of Western Australia Art Collection  
1988, P. 99, P. 47

Portraits of Australia  
The Doug Moran National Portrait Prize Collection  
Apple Printing Co. Pty. Ltd., Brisbane 1988

Sarah Palmer  
'Feast for the Spirit'  
West Australian 17 September 1988

Christine Sharkey  
'Images of Rottneest'  
Daily News 24 February 1989

Bruce Bennett and Ted Snell  
'Darlington and the Hills'  
Curtin University of Technology 1990

Ron Banks  
'Hills Cottage Suits Image'  
West Australian 11 August 1990

Max Germaine  
'Artists and Galleries of Australia'  
Volume I  
Craftsman House, 1990

Rodney O'Brien  
'From Western Australia'

Ron Banks

'Return to Basics Starts at Home'  
West Australian 13 August 1991

Max Germaine

'Artists and Galleries of Australia'  
Volume II  
Craftsman House, 1990

Alliance Francaise de Perth - Pertinence

Summer in Provence - David Gregson Expose a Perth  
Number 35 November to December 1992

Anne Burns

'House Painter'  
The West Magazine 7th August 1993

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Volume Ten, Number Three  
September 1993

Joanne Hutton

David Gregson 'Performing Artist'  
The West Magazine 5th November 1994

Judith McGrath

Deeply Satisfying, A Colourful Carousel  
Paintings by David Gregson, Stafford Studios  
The Western Review April 1997 P. 17

Evi Ferrier

Vehicles of Expression  
Perth Weekly March 18-24 1998 P. 12

Patrick Cornish

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The West Australian Big Weekend 21st November 1998

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Man of colour, flair made a mark  
The West Australian, March 16, 2002

The Sunday Times  
Artist, teacher lived to paint  
The Sunday Times, March 31, 2002

Patrick Cornish  
Man of many colours  
The West Australian, The West – Obituaries, April 27, 2002

Trea Wiltshire  
David Gregson, family man and artist 1934 – 2002  
The Darlington Review, April 2002