

Lotus|2021

Lotus is an exhibition of works by **Robyn BERNADT**, exploring advertising, consumerism and the realities of our vanishing planet through recycled materials, design and formal artmaking.

Inspired by the Buddhist proverb *“the lotus flower blooms most beautifully from the deepest and thickest mud”*, **Lotus** encourages meditation upon the environmental impact of consumerism while presenting beauty emerging from refuse.

Spectrum Project Space

Opening: 1 April 2021 5pm - 7pm

Exhibition dates: 6 - 22 April 2021

CREAtec floor talk: 14 April 2021 12:30pm - 1:30pm

Gallery opening hours: Tuesday to Friday 10am - 4pm

Building 3, 2 Bradford St, Mount Lawley

For all sale enquiries of works please contact the artist directly via rjbernadt@gmail.com

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Biography

Robyn Bernadt is a Perth-based paper artist. She graduated from Edith Cowan University with a Bachelor of Visual Art in 1999 and has since continued to practice and exhibit. Lotus is Bernadt's sixth solo exhibition.

After completing university, Bernadt was without an art studio. Due to limited space, she began making postcard-sized collages from found paper and second hand books. Later she began to experiment with pop-up techniques and structural packaging design. There has always been an element of using recycled media in her work, and she is now choosing primarily found materials to make her mark on.

Artist Statement

There is an elegant simplicity to the crafting of paper in Bernadt's work. An X-ACTO knife and her hands are used to manipulate and repurpose found and recycled materials. Bernadt's practice elevates these materials; altering their perceived value and challenging people's perceptions about the materials they usually dispose of, disregard and have very little respect for.

- 1 **Lotus**, 2020, 6 x 3 m, advertising junk mail installation. POA
- 2 **Lotus I**, 2021, 74 x 74 cm, giclee print on Canson paper. \$390
- 3 **Lotus II**, 2021, 74 x 74 cm, giclee print on Canson paper. \$390
- 4 **Lotus III**, 2021, 74 x 74 cm, giclee print on Canson paper. \$390

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