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ANU School of Art & Design Gallery
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All works have been provided courtesy of the artists unless stated otherwise.
Please note that some works contain nudity, violence and adult themes. Viewer discretion is advised.

*All works can be viewed on demand in the gallery over the three days using the iPad to the rear of the exhibition.
Alexander Boynes established with dancer / choreographer Laura Boynes, and cellist / composer Tristen Parr in 2013, who premiered their first major work Dark Matter at the State Theatre Centre of Western Australia in September 2016.

Alexander Boynes is represented by Beaver Galleries, Canberra

**Alexander Boynes**

**Flying Fish Story**, 2016, Dual HD video, 4’06” duration, stereo sound  
Performance: Daniel Bonson, Marcus Pascoe  
Sound: Daniel Bonson, Marcus Pascoe

**Alexander Boynes & PRAXIS**

**Body of Water**, 2016, Dual HD video, 3’45” duration, stereo sound  
Choreography: Laura Boynes  
Performance: Storm Helmire  
Sound: Tristen Parr

**Alexander Boynes**

**Djanggawul Sisters (Creation Story)**, 2016, Dual HD video, 2’30” duration, stereo sound  
Performance: Jemima Pascoe, Renee Pascoe, Proji Pascoe, Lexi Bonson  
Sound: Jimmy Pascoe, Marcus Pascoe

**Alexander Boynes & PRAXIS**

**Crosscurrent**, 2016, Dual HD video, 4’04” duration, stereo sound  
Performance: Laura Boynes  
Sound: Tristen Parr

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**LIST OF WORKS**

**ACME**

**D-Block**, 1996  
28:14 mins  
First performed at D-Block in Gorman House and toured to the Performance Space in Cleveland St in Sydney. D-Block grew from conversations about the nature of Canberra, what it was like to live here and how it was perceived from outside. The office workers in D-Block waffled, cleaned, arranged, consulted and nit-picked – their actions were thoughtful, methodical, darkly amusing, and meditative. As day shifted into night the D-Block workers returned to their night lives, away from the demands of the office they put their feet up, communed with their pets, indulged their obsessions and did the things you do in private.

**GARAGE**, 1995  
36:33 mins  
Performed in Trevor Smith’s garage in 1995, the ACME performers used the intimate space to experiment with unlikely actions. This was possibly the first performance presented under the group heading of ACME and established a particular approach to their ensemble performances. Each performer devised their own individual work, and presented it in the context of the wider performance structure. The performers developed ideas in the group conversations, and made work in response to specific sites and themes.

**Taylor Blewitt-Gray**

**Bury Your Gays**, 2016  
02:33 mins  
https://vimeo.com/190828136  
http://taylabg.com/  
**Bury Your Gays**, is a supercut that explores the trope of the same name. An outdated trope that was created during a time where being queer was a punishable offence in Western society. This trope is still used in media today, many creators are unaware of it’s context and use it in an attempt to please those who want representation while wishing to not isolate viewers who are not as pleased with seeing queer, gay, lesbian or trans characters. However many shows only have one or two queer characters, often in a relationship with each other, so by killing even one person, half of that representation disappears.  
Music: The Temperature of the Air on the Bow of the Kaleetan by Chris Zabriskie

**ESCAPE**, 2016  
01:37 mins  
https://vimeo.com/181762772  
http://taylabg.com/  
**Escape** is part of a series of work that explores the medium of machinima as a way to tell a narrative. Transforming the original game from its intended purpose and using it’s world to form a new story. A woman bored of her mediocre day-to-day life attempts to leave it all behind.

**Alistair Riddell**

**Untitled Moments**, 2011  
15:00 mins  
http://hingstonbrook.com/14moment/  
http://hingstonbrook.com/  
**Untitled Moments** was a collaborative project exploring the visual impact of embroidery, drawing and photography in a digital animation. We’ve used digital technologies to combine embroidered images with drawing and sound to create narrative sequences, imagined incidents drawn from our observations of Canberra’s most unremarkable moments.

**Alexander Boynes feat. PRAXIS**

**Water Stories**, 2016  
14:57 mins  
https://vimeo.com/193253317  
alexanderboynes.com  
lauraboynes.com  
p-r-a-x-i-s.com  
arnhembrand.com  
contour556.com.au  
As part of the inaugural Contour 556 Festival, **Water Stories** is a large-scale video installation work based upon the theme of water, and it’s significance to Australian culture and history. Water Stories has been produced collaboratively with dancers and musicians involved in Arnhembrand, an art, science and stories project that promotes the objectives of healthy country and communities in the Djelk Indigenous Protected Area, Arnhemland, Northern Territory. The second collaboration is PRAXIS; a multi-disciplinary art collective
Barbara Campbell
Watching the Apocalypse, 1994
05:48 mins
http://1001.net.au/
Barbara Campbell is a Sydney-based performance artist with an international profile. Watching the Apocalypse is a response to Eleanor Coppola's personal accounts of the making of Francis Coppola's film, Apocalypse Now. This work is indicative of Barbara's performance and video styles as it explores women's personal fictions and creates an intimate experience for the audience through the descriptive voice-over, and discursively linked visual and aural elements.

When Eleanor Coppola and the crew of Apocalypse Now arrived in the Philippines, her daughter Sofia said, "It looks like the Disneyland Jungle Cruise" (Eleanor Coppola, Notes, Simon and Schuster, New York, 1979). Campbell used this recollection as a starting point for Watching the Apocalypse. This film displays the visual pastiche of the fabricated environment of the Disneyland Jungle Cruise. The slow motion footage of the fabricated jungle gives the impression of a memory from childhood or an image from the past. This is emphasised through the muted blue tones and the grainy texture of the film. Slow pan shots of the jungle are interrupted by jagged editing, disrupting the continuity of the film and creating a home video aesthetic. The fibreglass elephant fountains, tame waterfalls, ferns and replicated ancient ruins that occupy this terrain are a far cry from Francis Coppola’s representation of the jungle as claustrophobic and frightening place that symbolises man’s primal instincts. However, Francis Coppola’s fierce vision of the Vietnam jungle is as much a fictional construct as the sedate and banal Disneyland jungle. They are both interpretations of what jungle environments look like and signify to outsiders, and both are constructed for mass consumption in the West. Significantly though, they also have the power to shape our perceptions of other places and cultures. The visuals of the Disneyland Jungle Cruise contrast distinctly with the voice-over of Barbara Campbell reading for Eleanor Coppola. The scripted monologue describes the experience of visiting an art gallery in New York where a series of On Kawara’s date paintings are showing. The paintings display different dates, and as she walks around the room the dates become specific days in her imagination. She begins to wonder where she was on these dates and then one date stands out more significantly than the others — March 1, 1976. This date creates a subjective experience for the narrator — a recollection of a definite place and time. Watching the Apocalypse reveals the power of memory and of potential within art to stimulate an experience in the viewer. It may be read as a feminist film, as a woman’s personal history and mythology is invested with historical significance through the process of making this film.

Edwina Bartleme, Griffith Artworks, December 1999.

Amelia Chapman
The Maintenance Project, 2015
07:11 mins
http://amelia-chapman.format.com
This time-based Performance brings to attention the constructivist nature of an everyday activity - social media and digital communication. We Construct. We manage. We edit. We curate and we maintain. The work speculates about how we allow social media to define who we identify as, who we interact with and how through the many advancements in digital communication, social media has become a normalised platform to broadcast our existence as indifferent to our reality. It shows the way we paint and alter our external images of ourselves. Intrinsically, this act can also offer a refined selection of the real self, the want to be a glorified self, to make a more ‘us’ version of ourselves. Performers: Alexandra Hobba and Adina West

Rowan Conroy
Fencelines, 2017
10:16 mins
4k single channel video projection mins
http://rowanconroy.com/
Fencelines is work that glides across the mysterious surface of Weereewe (Lake George). The piece plays off the psychogeography of the Lake which has been the site of many tragic drownings and other diverse historical narratives. The piece was captured at an altitude of 120 metres with a DJI Phantom quadcopter using 4k video.

Jacquelene Drinkall
Hypnosis In Video, 2016
21:53 mins
https://vimeo.com/136704275
http://jacquelene-drinkall.squarespace.com/
Hypnosis In Video was made in 2000 before widespread introduction of Final Cut Pro and iMovie editing, using Media 100 and VHS tapes borrowed from the legendary, cult and now defunct Dr. What video store at Bondi Junction. The artist’s research into telepathy in art revealed that telepathy often accompanies hypnotic experiences and phenomena and/or visual media technologies. Whilst on residency at Cite International des Art, Paris, in 1999-2000, Jacquelene Drinkall researched magic lantern technologies and animal magnetism, which also confirm the link between hypnotic phantasmagoria, hypnotic mentality and visual media technologies. Scenes of hypnosis often reveal flickering light sources and staring characters. The video was first shown as part of Drinkall’s PhD examination titled The Soft Machine, The Influencing Machine. In 2002, at Kudos Gallery when Soda_Jerk’s Dominique Angeloro was Gallery Manager (before Soda_Jerk began working with video montage). Scenes of hypnosis were taken from numerous well-known movies: Big Trouble in Little China; Andromeda Complex; Svengali; Videodrome; The Exorcist and more. Hypnosis In Video is discussed in detail in the artist’s PhD thesis, available online, and recently cited by Pascal Rousseau in Cosa Mental: Art and Telepathy in the Twentieth Century (Pompidou and Gallimard). Hypnosis In Video was converted to digital h264 in 2016 when it was used in a new reiteration using EEG interaction called Hypnosis in Vinc or Brain Computer Interface, which involved further layers of interactive montage triggered by EEG responses of viewers. An Emotive EEG bio-neuroheadset together with computer programming by Warren Armstrong was used to generate abstract coloured screen bars that correlated to changing measurements and flux of various different mental states and emotions, as well as Thought Forms derived from theosophists Annie Beasint and C.W. Leadbetter.

Fukushima in Wallerawang, 2016
20:29 mins
https://vimeo.com/168162229
http://jacquelene-drinkall.squarespace.com/
Fukushima in Wallerawang is virtual world performance and machinima movie made in Blue Mars Lite virtual world, using panarama ID for the small coal mining township of Wallerawang to access Google Streetview as a dystopic world in itself as well as the real world dystopias it surveils. The avatar Fukushima Firefox was created in response to accessing the Fukushima distaster zone a few years ago, and she continues her endless adventures in disaster tourism whilst traversing the contemporary world human geography in the age of the anthropocene, globalised infrastructure, and the transition from thermodynamic energy crisis to virtual information crisis. Wallerawang is a historic coal mining town that is increasingly seeing solar-powered panels pepper its rural suburban houses and the gradual introduction of artistic vision and eco-tourism into the area, thanks to artists such as Ian Milliss. Wallerawang’s infamous power station, the oldest and the dirtiest in the state, has recently been decommissioned. Fukushima Firefox observes this world as well as mysterious orbs, smudges, blurs and glitches within the virtual world. Fukushima also paves to consider the high
volume of roadkill; the Cox's River where Charles Darwin ordered the platypus to be shot that so befuddled London scientists; a nearby indigenous burial ground; the turn off to Kandos/Mudgee and Lithgow at Lidsdale petrol station; and the wonderful bicycle path along the Castlereagh highway connecting Sydney and the Blue Mountains to Kandos and Mudgee. The Fukushima Firefox character is Jacqueline Drinkall’s avatar in the virtual world Blue Mars Lite, originally created whilst accessing ‘Memories for the Future’, a Google Streetcar documentation of the Fukushima disaster. Many thanks to Hashimoto Kazayuki, aka Kaz, CEO of Blue Mars Lite, for assistance with Panorama ID access for Wallerawang.

Kirsten Farrell
Colour of Theory, 2014
04:29 mins
https://vimeo.com/69827390
http://kirsten-farrell.com/
A performance as part of Zoë Walker and Neil Bromwich’s Art School Anecdote, 14 March 2013. I chose five ‘artspeak’ terms that occur in texts proscribed in the Art Theory Workshop, where I was teaching at the time. I took on the persona of a rather serious art theoretician. I solemnly asked for the assistance of the audience to assist in bringing more colour into the compulsory Art Theory courses at the school. Five helpers stood in a row behind me, each holding a monochromatic ‘swatch’ aloft as I read out a series of flashcards with the terms drawn on them. The helpers dispersed into the crowd, and I asked the audience to gather around the colour which best matched the word in turn. Performers include: Kirsten Farrell, Al Munro, Cat Mueller, Kai Wasikowska, Sarah Nathan-Triuksdale, Joteva Eli
 Videographer: Danny Wild
Editor: Megan Watson

Benjamin Forster
Reading (stedeljik), 2015
26:40 mins
http://emptybook.net/readings.html
http://www.stedeljik.nl/en/calendar/performances/benjamin-forster-reading
http://emptybook.net/
This documentation of an online performance commissioned for the Stedelijk Museum’s website, as part of the exhibition Your time is not my time at the De Appel Arts Centre, 23 May — 28 Jun 2015.

Robert Guth
Mongolian Haircut, 2008
03:33 mins
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gh9KC-L6OAE
The theatrical in performance art. There is strong conceptual content – maybe there is an honesty and sincerity – maybe there is proselytising about performance art – maybe the audience will have forgotten – for sure

Stephen Harrison
Granddad’s Sculpture, 2013
06:18 mins
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5Mwowlb0eZo
http://harrison.mogkat.com/
This is a film about memory and a kind of ode to my granddad, Ron Harrison. Recollections about his wartime experience, coupled with my memory of him. These are brought together through a sculpture I made based on these recollections. Granddad also said he never let the truth get in the way of a good story.

Nicci Haynes
...in my drawing costume, 2017
01:06 mins
http://vimeo.com/203781912
I began to think of drawing as something that involves not only the hand but the whole body. I made myself a drawing costume with long arms and legs that allows traces of my movements to be captured on camera making the movements of my body look like drawing. Then I found a way to combine drawings of the hand with those of the body.

Steven Holland
Willow Pattern, 2004
03:47 mins
Willow pattern was made during a prolonged drought that affected much of Eastern Australia around 2004. It was filmed in a dry farm dam where I live by filmmaker Kate Murphy, aka Ellis Hutch and edited by Jodhi Zutt. It shows my pet “pooddy” sheep walking toward me in this barren landscape and licking milk powder from my hands and face. The video performance was originally shown in a shop front in Goulburn as a part of a group exhibition of site-specific installations called Conversions, curated by Jennifer Lamb. It was seen on a TV monitor positioned in front of a wall of sheep skulls. The video played alongside a separate group of 9 sheep skulls that I wired together and painted with the famous blue and white, willow pattern. I often find shards of willow pattern pottery around the farm and became interested in the story of forbidden love portrayed on the ceramics. The video is about beauty and despair, and colonization of rural Australia.

C. Huf
Timelines, Filmed 2009; video 2012
02:29 mins
While I was living in Gwangju, South Korea, I created this site specific performance at two train stations: the 'Cultural Complex' station in downtown Gwangju and ‘Unceon’ station near my flat and on the trains that ran between them. I installed myself in the midst of commuters. Over many hours I drew lines to connect to this new place, like a tree, transplanted, growing roots. I drew lines until I could not reach any further. Each performance lasted a day.
I was assisted by The Gwangju International Centre, Kim Jihyun, Yang Chohee, Kwai Hugo- Seung, and given permission by The Gwangju Rapid Transport Corporation and Gi Wonjong.

Unravel, 2009
07:01 mins
Unravel is an improvised stop motion animation made from medication boxes, plasterine, bones, shells, and plastic flotsam and jetsam gleaned from Cooee Bay Beach, Yeppoon where I was living at the time. It begins as anti-depressant boxes weave into a snail’s shell, which transforms into a box jelly fish, which becomes a sea of plasterine, Phoenix rising, and after a meandering journey dissolved into the purring of Betty Blue (the family cat). The sound mixes a recording of waves, purring by Betty, and music by Frankie Death.

Stone, 2016
10:00 mins
I saw these reliefs on the ground in the courtyard of the Cathedral of Saint Mary of Girona, Spain. These stone reliefs of family insignia revealing images of cherubs, pigs and birds are weathered by centuries of wind and sun and worn by the generations that walked across them. The meanings of the marks are mysterious, yet the surfaces can still be felt. As the stone quietly dissolves, societies form and disperse, leaving traces to echo through time.
Martyn Jolly

New South Wales Gothic [live performance]
https://martynjolly.com/

New South Wales gives us the creeps. It’s a dangerous place, haunted by the souls of those who have died. For instance Lake George, originally named Weereewa or ‘bad water’, has claimed at least twenty-eight lives since the first white man saw it in 1820. Its shimmering horizon is still a fata morgana enticing us into the depths of its flatness. Seen from above, its surface is still a scaleless map without coordinates. In New South Wales entire colonial families have disappeared into history, leaving behind only water-damaged magic-lantern slides recording their family outings. Did they too drown, or wander away from their bush picnics never to be seen again? What are their mournful eyes, staring back at us from the curdling emulsion, trying to tell us? Using live music composition and live projection we will find out.

Blaide Lallemand

Esmerelda, 2011
03:03 mins

Bone Idol
performance event at the Canberra Contemporary Art Space in 2011.
Courtesy of Canberra Contemporary Art Space.

Blaide Lallemand & Hilary Cuerden-Clifford

Journey to morning: Louise 37 weeks, 2003
07:38 mins
Journey to morning: David and Ali, 2003
06:59 mins
http://www.blaidelallemand.com/video/journey-to-morning
http://www.blaidelallemand.com/

In sleep, our movements are no longer directed by our conscious selves, other rhythms come into play, surfacing an essence of our being. Since 2003, Blaide and Hilary have been photographing people of various ages, gender and cultural backgrounds in the state of sleep. These are explorative portraits, taken in the studio, where the person is left alone to sleep naked. Removed of all their material possessions and in a neutral space the viewers’ attention is focused on the body language of the subject, so gaining an insight into how they carry themselves through life. Using black and white film, half hour exposures with the camera placed directly over the subject, the photographs map their uninhibited movements. They are no longer aware of the photographer as the image is building up, they are not consciously reacting to the camera and we are not seeing them frozen in time but travelling through it. The sleepers are both vulnerable and unassailable, in their own worlds and yet visible to the viewers. Sleep is an experience all humans share, even though it is when we are asleep that we are perhaps most ourselves, most unique.

Nigel Lendon

Untitled Drawing (Elasticus), 2013-14
16:10 mins
http://www.iconophilia.net/

One hundred words for Elasticus
Fifty, forty-nine, forty-eight, forty-seven, forty-six, forty-five, forty-four, forty-three, forty-two, forty-one, forty, three, two, one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven, twelve, thirteen, fourteen, fifteen, sixteen, seventeen, eighteen, nineteen, twenty, twenty-one, twenty-two, twenty-three, twenty-four, twenty-five, twenty-six, twenty-seven, twenty-eight, twenty-nine, thirty, thirty-one, thirty-two, thirty-three, thirty-four, thirty-five, thirty-six, thirty-seven, thirty-eight, thirty-nine, forty, forty-one, forty-two, forty-three, forty-four, forty-five, forty-six, forty-seven, forty-eight, forty-nine, fifty.

Anja Loughhead

The Australian Screen, 2015
04:13 mins
https://www.anjaloughhead.com/the-australian-screen

The Australian Screen is a video piece by Queanbeyan based artist and curator Anja Loughhead. A component of a mixed media body of work titled Populace or Perish!, this series explores the history of the Bonegilla Migrant Training and Reception Centre, previously active in Wodonga, Victoria from 1947 – 1971. A processing site utilised during the infamous White Australia Policy, the Bonegilla Migrant Centre drew public attention in the media as a result of riots, infant illness and child mortality. With a dry sense of humour, Loughhead’s video piece is a never-ending sneer at the means in which Australia continues to record and transmit immigration policy through the media.

Janet Meane

A Sweeping Statement, 2006
03:45 mins
http://www.blaidelallemand.com/

A Sweeping Statement, was performed at the opening of Domain ‘06 on the corner of Moore and Ailinga.
Videography: Alexandra Gillespie

W.A.S.P., 2013
7:41 mins
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CzVAybr0R8B

As with much of my work this piece reflects my state of being in the world. In this case wanting to deflect attention from myself as a focal point. In a glass cube in a nightclub.

Free Fall 2013 is curated by Naomi Oliver in partnership with Oxford Art Factory and Chalk Horse.
Video production: John A Douglas.

Plastic, 2006
1:00 mins
Like a slug, I wet the aquafilm as I slide across it’s surface till finally breaking though.
Videography: David Wills

Cocoon, 2006
04:45 mins
This performance addressed the feeling of confinement; of being alone, wanting to break out but on nearing that point realising the value of maintaining one’s own integrity.
Videography: Josh Wodak

Arachne, 2005
05:44 mins
The projected video is of my construction of a French knitted coil using nails around the hole in a garden table shot from above. My accompanying performance involves my unpicking of the coil... It is a piece about process but also about observation. Most viewers, behaving as an audience would in front of the action assumed that I was constructing not deconstructing the piece. Sound was also an important component as I plucked the twine off the nails.
Videography: Jennifer Lloyd
#33, a stop start animation, Medusa circles Christmas Island. At first Dirty Santa seems to celebrate and take advantage of her presence, however he becomes unsure, and temporarily reconsider his approach. Special thanks to: Sarah Oxenham, Luke Kidd, Bertrand Branchu, Mandy Ridley, Nick Ridley, Sophie Richards, Madeleine Keinonen, Kylie Spear, Phoebe McDonalid, Tim Astone and Anthony Ricketts.


Neptune's Estrangement forms the second sequence of images in the Ovid's Medusa series, which deconstructs and recontextualizes the account of Medusa provided in Ovid's 'Metamorphoses'. Visual references to art history, Christianity and contemporary political events infuse these fantastic illustrations, questioning the patriarchal bias and assumptions present within the original text.

Neptune's Estrangement #2 is a watercolour and pencil drawing. It acts as the starting point for the second series of images in this reconstructed narrative. In this part of the story Medusa has broken free from the persecution inflicted by Neptune. She wears a dildor around her waste as a symbol of power attained (or at least negated) and raises her hands to the sky in a celebratory gesture of freedom. Her tail supports her dreams of voyaging to a better place with a prosperous future. However, the man in the moon looks with disapproval at this rebellion against the 'natural' order of things.

Neptune's Estrangement #4 was an interactive installation that took place at Inhouse ARI on November 17, 2013. A large set was installed alongside props on a nearby podium. Visitors were welcome to interact freely with the work by utilising the props and inhabiting the set. This participatory performance allowed visitors to manipulate gendered preconceptions by adorning themselves with body parts from either sex. Visitors recorded the event on smartphones and via social media. In this way contemporary democratic documentary processes reproduced and affected the story. The show was accompanied by a text written by Madeleine Stack.

Neptune's Estrangement #5 is a film made using footage from the interactive performance. As a record of the event visitors become performers b emusedly swapping props and costumes along with gendered roles and assumptions. They further fragmented the original narrative imposing new meaning and interpretations upon the original. Special thanks to: Ben Crowley, Sarah Oxenham and all the people who participated in the work; Meagan Streader and Jenna Baldock of Inhouse ARI; and Madeleine Stack.

Simon Scheuerle

My attempt at causing a public visual 'hiccup' by dressing as a clown. Produced as part of Domain '08.

Camille Serisier

This body of work deconstructs the account of Medusa provided in Ovid's 'Metamorphoses', reinterpreting this 16th Century narrative. Visual references to art history, Christianity and contemporary political events infuse these fantastic illustrations, questioning the patriarchal bias and assumption present within the original text.

Ovid's Medusa #5 is the title image of the series. It portrays the final scene in a reconstructed narrative about the downtrodden Medusa. In the first stage of the story, Neptune's Conquest, Medusa has been sexually assaulted by Neptune and punished by Minerva through transformation into a snake haired monster. In the second stage, Neptune's Estrangement, Medusa has broken free and is dreaming of a safer life far away. In the third stage, Ovid's Medusa, Medusa is pursuing her dream and journeying to a new land. However, instead of finding peace and welcome she is confronted at Christmas Island by a new sexual aggressor. Sailing on a vessel that is part Christian ark and part raft – a nod to Gericault – the tale has an ambiguous conclusion. In Ovid's Medusa

Gericault – the tale has an ambiguous conclusion. In Sailing on a vessel that is part Christian ark and part raft – a nod to new sexual aggressor finding peace and welcome she is confronted at Christmas Island by a pursuing her dream and journeying to a new land. However, instead of a safer life far away. In the third stage, Ovid's Medusa, Medusa is broken free and is dreaming of a snake haired monster. In the second stage, Neptune's Estrangement, Medusa has been transformed into a watercolour and pencil drawing. It acts as the starting point for the second series of images in this reconstructed narrative. In this part of the story Medusa has broken free from the persecution inflicted by Neptune. She wears a dildor around her waste as a symbol of power attained (or at least negated) and raises her hands to the sky in a celebratory gesture of freedom. Her tail supports her dreams of voyaging to a better place with a prosperous future. However, the man in the moon looks with disapproval at this rebellion against the 'natural' order of things.

**List of Works**

**HTML_Flatpack**, 2015 06:16 mins https://vimeo.com/175652339

http://sophiepenkethman-young.com/

HTML_Flatpack uses images from museum archives, constructed photographs and clips from youtube to examine loss of object and history in a digital age where everything is presented on the same platform no matter what the content. The work also touches on the destruction of cultural histories in continuous war. Though the subject matter is heavy it is presented in a light hearted, ironic way, that winks knowingly at the audience.

**John Reid**

Asian Ice, 1994

Performance: 20 mins
Installation: 4 days

This performance and subsequent installation was inspired by a chilling interview on ABC Radio National with a South East Asian political prisoner who described a form of torturous interrogation in which a prisoner was placed in a freezing cell and made to shiver prior to questioning. In some SE Asian cultures, shivering is unfamiliar and is associated with dire spiritual circumstances. The original concept for the work was for the artist to pace close to the ice wall (similar in a way that confined and psychologically stressed animals do) until blue and shivering with cold. However, the wall collapsed well before that point. The ice blocks remained as an installation in teh gallery courtyard slowly melting for days during Canberra’s winter.

Walk to the edge of the Lake and return (details), 1998 20:14 mins

Walk to the edge of lake George, NSW, just after sunrise and return recorded by a video camera on a fixed tripod at point of departure.

**Sophie Penkethman-Young**

**Domain**

http://www.camilleserisier.com/2013-ovids-medusa

Cornwall, 2013 Ovid’s Medusa #33

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**SPLINTERS**

Machine War, 1991 11:48 mins

https://splintersarchive.wordpress.com/

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of Turkish folk jazz by Okay Temiz. As promotional material, *Machine War* became a signature of the Splinters large scale shows, despite its reference to the outdoors spectacles, the video as a teaser suggested an unpredictable and evolving energy that was manifested through the group’s incorporation of creative contributions from practitioners of visual, performance and installation art.

Courtesy Gavin Findlay

**Amelia Zaraftis**

*Soft Edges (Monaro Highway)*, 2014
16:04 mins
http://soa.anu.edu.au/staff/amelia-zaraftis

Amelia Zaraftis references textual road-signs and white-line markings typical of regional highways. Her performance actions of walking and driving are employed to explore ‘edge’ in relation to dichotomies such as: here/there; known/unknown; safety/danger.