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Celebrated Mornington Peninsula Artist Di Crawford Launches Her Latest Exhibition At Tallarida Cellar Door.



On Saturday 17 August celebrated Mornington Peninsula artist Di Crawford will launch *My Peninsula Experiences*, the latest exhibition of the *art x wine* series at Tallarida Cellar Door.

Di's first exhibition in five years, *My Peninsula Experience* is a personal reflection and dedication to the natural environment of the Mornington Peninsula, particularly the birds, wildlife and fauna.

Di is influenced by how magic and fragile the environment is. The exhibition celebrates how resilient the environment has been up to date, but also seeks to motivate a discussion around the long -term prospects of life in the green wedge.

Di hopes that through the exhibition, visitors can be inspired by the beauty and wonder of nature, and reflect on the many different ways of interpreting its beauty.

**Exhibition Details** 

Opening: Saturday 17 August 3pm to 5pm

Exhibition Dates: Saturday 17 August to 31 October

**Cellar Door Opening Hours:** Friday to Monday, 11:30am to 5pm **Venue:** Tallarida Winery's Cellar Door, 148 Browns Road, Boneo

Cost: Free

Website: www.tallaridawinery.com.au/art-x-wine

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**Examples of Work:** https://www.dicrawfordartist.com.au/

Viewing of Studio Available on Request

**Further Information:** 

**DI CRAWFORD** 



Di Crawford was born in 1949 and attended art school in Perth in the mid-1960s. She then relocated to Melbourne and is now based at Cape Schanck. She has exhibited in numerous joint and 12 solo exhibitions in Western Australia and Victoria. In her early work Di pioneered an exciting thread-work style incorporating vibrant colour and florid re-imaginings of nature.

More recently she has transitioned to acrylic on canvas and paper and the painting of acrylic on mannequins. Her evocative style combines hypnotic geometric backdrops alongside figurative wildlife foregrounds. These geometric backgrounds reflect Di placing an imaginative microscope on nature and the patterns that emerge. Her love for nature and its rich colours is a driving force in her work. Her works often illuminate a mysterious path between ornithological documentation and magical realism.

The National Trust of Australia chose four of Di's early thread work pieces for inclusion in its 2006 and 2007 diaries. In 2015 Di was chosen as one of nine female artists to exhibit in the Outstanding Women Artists exhibition (Media House Gallery, Melbourne, Victoria).

In 2015 along with 100 Australian artists, Di was asked to submit two works to the Luciano Benetton Collection *Imago Mundi* Project's Australian Collection: 'Looking Down Under: Contemporary Artists from Australia' as part of the Venice Biennale.

#### **ART X WINE AT TALLARIDA**

This exhibition is part of a series hosted by Tallarida Winery in their Cellar Door space. **Tallarida Winery works in collaboration with Barnacle Studios to present ART X WINE**, which is a series designed to feature works by exceptional Australian artists.

## **ABOUT TALLARIDA**

A boutique vineyard of 25 acres, the Tallarida Vineyard is situated on the beautiful Mornington Peninsula, in the lush soil of the Boneo plains. The property has a history of producing benchmark and award-winning Chardonnay, and in recent years, has moved into Pinot Noir. Varieties also include Pinot Grigio, Merlot and Cabernet, from which a variety of wine styles are made.

## ABOUT BARNACLE STUDIOS COLLECTIVE

At its core, Barnacle is a community-driven endeavour aimed at empowering artists, makers, and creative companies. By providing collaborative opportunities, and skill-building workshops, we're not only enhancing artistic vibrancy but also fueling economic growth and community engagement.

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