

Abigail Parker - Artist Statement:

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Abigail has been a frustrated artist since leaving High School. Retiring from full-time work (first teaching, then farming) finally gave her the opportunity to study Art, at TAFE and then through Open University. She is now developing her belated artistic career, primarily as a painter in watercolours and oils. Living in Albany's beautiful bio-diversity hot-spot in W.A. has inspired Abigail to combine her two lifelong passions, Nature and Art, into a singular and effective working whole which is steadily gaining her recognition.

Abigail has refined her practice into two associated streams... working in pencil, watercolour and pastels for her detailed botanical and wildlife studies, and in oils for her larger 'statement' pieces - which can be confronting. Her work studies the inhabitants and habitat of her home range around Albany, exploring the local effects of current catastrophic global environmental issues. She is deeply concerned with highlighting the plight of our increasingly rare and endangered flora and fauna, and her work aims to provoke viewers into taking action to ensure a sustainable, ecologically balanced future for ourselves and our home planet. ***We need to break through the inertia, complacency, and overall lack of political will, that is costing us so dearly.***

