

Amanda Holman *Terrain* – The Corner Store Gallery April 12 - 23

Amanda is an Orange based artist who was born and raised in Mudgee.

After enjoying her time raising a family and having her own Building Design business in Sydney, Amanda was inspired to take up the paintbrush again when she and her husband moved back to the country a few years ago.

Since returning to her art and setting up a home studio, Amanda has successfully exhibited in a number of group exhibitions in Orange, Cowra, Sydney, and Tamworth, has been a finalist in recent art prizes such as the Mudgee Portrait Prize 2022 and the Hunters Hill Art Prize 2022, and was the winner of the Cabonne Acquisitive Art Prize 2021.

Amanda forever seeks to create artworks which capture the beauty and tranquility of the local landscapes. Her artworks arise out of a love for the natural environment and a desire to portray the subtle complexities of the colours and tones uniquely produced by the Australian sunlight.

"How amazing is the Australian landscape. Effected by dry times and wet, with extreme weather that changes its persona and mood in an instant!

To capture the elusive tones and hues cast by the shadow of a gum tree, with the sun beating down on the earth and grasses nearby, is a challenge which can be rewarding or sometimes frustrating.... but well worth pursuing!

The twist of a branch, the rusty red flush of new growth, the multi-coloured hues found on the Australian gum are a joy to portray on canvas.

The terrain here in the Central West is mesmerising..... Red clay soil, granite and basalt rock formations contrasting with soft olive coloured gum leaves, crystal blue skies and captivating clouds.

A truly inspiring terrain for a landscape artist!"

– Amanda Holman