# The Welcome Swallow Gallery

The Waikato Watercolourists II



Catalogue

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## The Waikato Watercolourists II

It is now two years since the Welcome Swallow Gallery launched the first watercolour exhibition in New Zealand that specified a curatorial interest in the Waikato as of geographical interest to art. Despite being truncated by the pandemic. The global Waikato Watercolourists, (see Catalogue cover below) attracted wide interest and coverage, both locally and nationally. new exhibition. This The Waikato Watercolourists II, significantly builds on the traditions so established, presenting a visual feast of iconic structures, flora, fauna and spectacular vistas; all splendid using the medium illustrations of watercolour.

The original watercolourist artists, Sandra Barlow, Bernadette Parsons, and Rebecca Dowman-Ngapo are joined by Jing Liu, Dejin Lu, Martin Necas, Hong Cumming and Gavin Smith. The curatorial brief for this exhibition was to present insightful reflections of the Waikato, today and in yesteryear.

The flowing concrete curves of the Fairfield Bridge have long attracted artistic interest. Through the eyes of **Sandra Barlow, Hong Cumming** and **Rebecca Dowman-Ngapo,** we have no less than three compelling compositions that provide unique complementary atypical angles of this familiar structure.

Both Bernadette Parsons and Martin Necas present their breathtaking signature landscapes paintings within

which they offer tranquil yet detailed studies of Waikato treescapes and waterways. **Gavin Smith's** variegated themes include flora, tree stands, a harbour view and most dramatically a mighty steam engine from the past, dominating the Hamilton railway station.

Rebecca Dowman-Ngapo intensely captures iconic Hamilton landmarks, including, a powerful study of Huntly miners at work underground; Hamilton Lake, 'The Cook' and the car scrap yard, that boasts an improbable elevated Rolls Royce, heading up its inventory.

**Dejin Lu** combines depictions of the world renowned Hamilton Gardens with several exquisite bird illustrations. **Jing Liu** uses delicate floral patterns to 'paint' and highlight the Waikato geographic borders. **Hong Cumming** treats us to masterful renditions of a vintage car, a proud DC-3 at the old Hamilton Airport and the sculptured fountain in Casabella Lane. **Sandra Barlow** presents delicate

floral paintings underscore that the of beauty nature as found in the foggy Waikato. finally, And she presents a Hobbit dwelling that reminds us of the Waikato link to literary history.



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#### Rebecca Dowman-Ngapo

Our Cook 350x350mm

Price: \$950 3.



# Jing Liu

Tea Plantation 900x650mm

Price: \$1750



### Rebecca Dowman-Ngapo

Rolling into Hamilton 300x430mm

4. Price: \$950



Jing Liu

Hamilton Lake 900x650mm





**Hong Cumming** Casabella Lane 410x380mm

Price: \$900



**Hong Cumming** NAC DC-3 HLZ 500x650mm Price: \$1750

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**Hong Cumming** Katherine's Car 230x340mm

Price: \$950



**Hong Cumming** Romancing the Bridge 700x500mm





## Rebecca Dowman-Ngapo

Hamilton Lake Horizon 360x1200mm

Price: \$1400

Rebecca Dowman-Ngapo

Walk With Me 605x425mm

Price: \$1500

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**Sandra Barlow** 

The Estate 450x540mm

Price: \$1200

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#### **Sandra Barlow**

Spanning Time 720x590mm



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Sandra Barlow Fog Flower I 220x180mm Price: \$290



Fog Flower II 220x180mm Price: \$290



Sandra Barlow Fog Flower III 220x180mm Price: \$290



Sandra Barlow Tolkien Time 350x270mm Price: \$700



**Dejin Lu**Entrance of Japanese Garden
420x300mm

Price: \$650



Dejin Lu Impression of Chinese Garden 420x300mm Price: \$850



**Dejin Lu**In the Forest
400x300mm
Price: \$950

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**Dejin Lu**Kingfisher Diving
420x300mm
Price: \$750



**Martin Necas** 

Hot Summer Evening, Lake Ngaroto

630x830mm

Price: \$1250



**Martin Necas** 

Hakarimata by Lake Kainui 550x750mm

Price: \$900

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23.



**Martin Necas** 

Whangamata Harbour

630x830mm

Price: \$1000



**Martin Necas** 

Last Light in a Kanuka Swamp

625x450mm



#### **Bernadette Parsons**

Willows in a Row 500x960mm

Price: \$2100



**Bernadette Parsons**Waikato in Watercolour
750x960mm

Price: \$1395

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**Bernadette Parsons** 

Old Willow 750x900mm

Price: \$2100

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#### **Bernadette Parsons**

Watercolour Edge 500x960mm





**Gavin Smith**Waikato Spring Flowers
460x400mm
Price: \$1380



Gavin Smith
Fishermen's Wharf, Raglan
330x480mm
Price: \$1580

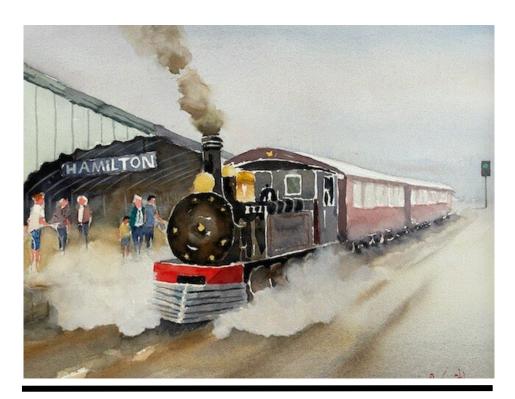




Bernadette Parsons
Across the Firth of Thames
400x960mm
Price \$950



Gavin Smith Morning Walk, Pirongia 370x330mm Price: \$1380



Gavin Smith
Days of Steam
370x490mm
Price: \$1500



Rebecca Dowman-Ngapo

Huntly Miners 310x410mm Price: \$2200

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