

# SABBIA

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## **ANNETTE BLAIR**

### **Born**

1982 Queanbeyan

### **Education**

2005 - 2006 Hot glass traineeship, Jam Factory, Adelaide  
2001 - 2004 Bachelor of Visual Art with Honours, Glass workshop, Canberra School of Art,  
Australian National University  
2003 Student Exchange Program – Glass, Alberta College of Art and Design, Calgary, Canada

### **Professional Experience**

2025 – 2008 Gaffer (hot glass fabricator) - for established artists, designers and institutions including:  
Patricia Piccinini, Nell, Vipoo Srivilasa, Mel Douglas, Jenni Kemarre-Martiniello,  
Holly Grace, ADesignStudio, Canberra Glassworks, Parliament house, Sydney (restoration)  
2025 Instructor, Eat.Make.Collaborate with Jen Elek, Pilchuck Glass School, USA  
2023 Demonstration and artist presentation at Futures Past - Ausglass conference, Melbourne  
Craftsperson in residence, Pilchuck Glass School, Washington, United States  
Gaffer for Mel Douglas' artist residency at Pittsburgh Glass Centre, USA  
2022 Instructor 'Time spent on subtleties' workshop, Jam Factory, Adelaide  
2020 Instructor (glassblowing) semester 2, School of Art and Design, ANU  
2017 Craftsperson in residence, Pilchuck Glass School, Washington, United States  
Instructor (glassblowing) semester 2, School of Art and Design, ANU  
Demonstration at (R)evolve – Ausglass conference, Canberra  
2015 Instructor 'Eat Your Way Through Design' with Jen Elek, Pilchuck Glass School, USA  
2014 Craftsperson in residence, Pilchuck Glass School, USA  
2013 Teaching assistant to Tom Rowney, Pilchuck Glass School, USA  
2012 Assisted Lino Tagliapietra's team, Canberra Glassworks, Australia  
Instructor 'Eat Your Way Through Design' with Jen Elek, Pilchuck Glass School, USA  
Teaching assistant to Clare Belfrage, Pilchuck, USA  
Teaching assistant to Tom Rowney, Jam Factory, Adelaide  
2011 Teaching assistant to Nick Mount, Canberra Glassworks  
Teaching assistant to Tom Rowney, Jam Factory  
Instructor - glassblowing and enameling workshop, School of Art and Design, ANU  
Instructor - professional workshop in glass enameling, Canberra Glassworks  
Teaching Assistant to Jen Elek, Sydney College of the Arts  
2010 - 2013 Instructor (glassblowing) School of Art and Design, ANU  
Teaching Assistant to Tom Moore, Pilchuck Glass School, USA  
2009 Teaching Assistant to Tom Rowney, Pilchuck Glass School, USA  
Teaching Assistant to Tom Moore, Tasmanian Glassblowers, Launceston  
2008 Teaching Assistant to Ben Edols and Nadege Desgenetez, SoAD, ANU  
2007 Teaching Assistant to Tom Rowney, JamFactory  
Studio assistant to Deb Jones, Adelaide  
Glassblowing instructor for weekend classes, Jam Factory, Adelaide  
Assisted on Lino Tagliapietra's team, Jam Factory, Adelaide  
2006 Teaching assistant to Scott Chaseling, Jam Factory, Adelaide  
2005 Teaching assistant to Gabriella Bisetto, SoAD, ANU  
2004 Cold working assistant to Jane Bruce  
2001 – 2003

### **Solo Exhibitions**

2025 Weathered, Sabbia Gallery, Sydney  
2022 Quietly Spoken – Canberra Glassworks  
2018 Somewhere Familiar - Beaver Galleries, Canberra

2007 Preserves - Jam Factory, Adelaide

### Group Exhibitions

2025 The poetry of things, collaborative exhibition with Kirstie Rea, Suki & Hugh Gallery, Bungendore  
Spirit of the stable, Horseshoe Gallery, Canberra  
Premio, Sabbia, Sydney, NSW  
TWENTY, Sabbia, Sydney

2024 Homebody, Landslide gallery, Wentworth Fall, NSW  
Verticale, Sabbia Gallery, Sydney  
Petrichor, Sabbia Gallery, Sydney  
The Gaffers, Sabbia Gallery, Sydney

2022 Home, Salt Contemporary Art, Queenscliff  
Small works 2022, Beaver Galleries, Canberra

2020 Small works 2020, Beaver Galleries, Canberra

2019 The Hotshop, Masters of Glass exhibition, Sabbia Gallery, Sydney

2018 Confluence, Canberra Glassworks, Canberra

2017 Small Works 2017, Beaver Galleries, Canberra  
Refraction, Beaver Galleries, Canberra

2017 Ausglass conference exhibition, SoAD Gallery, ANU

2016 Reflections, Australian Parliament House, Canberra  
Smokestack, Canberra Glassworks

2015 The Enchanted Forest, Pilchuck Glass School auction awards exhibition, Seattle, USA  
Illumination, Ausglass members exhibition, Adelaide

2014 Small Works 2014, Beaver Galleries, Canberra  
Encore - Glass Artist's gallery, Sydney

2013 Held Within - Beaver Galleries, Canberra

2012 Alphabet - Craft ACT, Canberra  
Eat! - Canberra Glassworks  
Encore - Glass Artist's gallery, Sydney

2011 Drink! - Canberra Glassworks  
Glimpse - Chalk Horse Gallery, Sydney

2010 Limited Lines - Canberra Glassworks

2009 Encore - Glass Artist's Gallery, Sydney  
Special Vessels: Glasses, Goblets, Cups and Flutes - Jamfactory, Adelaide

2008 Limited Lines - Canberra Glassworks  
Surface Exploration - Kirra Gallery, Melbourne  
Open Slather – Ausglass members exhibition, Canberra

2007 Limited Lines - Canberra Glassworks  
SOFA Chicago - represented by Kirra Gallery  
New Work 07 - Gaffer Studio Glass, Hong Kong

2006 High Brow Low Brow - Jam Factory, Adelaide  
Finale, Uber Dosh - Adelaide  
SOFA Chicago - represented by Kirra Gallery

2005 Jam Factory Biennial - Adelaide  
Carnivale - Kamberra Winery, Canberra  
Southern Lights - Ausglass members exhibition, Glass Art Society conference, Adelaide  
New Design 2005 - Object Gallery, Surry Hills

2004 Green - Graduating students' exhibition, Canberra School of Art, ANU  
Glass Art Society International Student Exhibition - New Orleans, USA

2003 Ceremonial Vessels for the Drinking of Water - Canberra School of Art  
Basement – student exhibition, Alberta College of Art and Design, Canada

2002 Reflect - exhibition of recent student work, Bega

2001 Canberra School of Art Drawing Prize Exhibition

### Scholarships, Awards & Grants

2026 Finalist, Tom Malone Prize, Linton and Kay Galleries, Perth, WA  
Finalist, Fuse Glass Prize, JamFactory, Adelaide, SA

2025 Quiet Skies, Commissioned by Canberra Glassworks for the Australian War Memorial

2024 Fuse Glass Prize finalist, Jam Factory, Adelaide  
Tom Malone Prize finalist - Perth

2023 Winner of the Vicki Torr International Year of Glass prize  
CAPO Craft + Design Canberra outstanding practice award

2022 Canberra Critics Circle award for Quietly Spoken – solo exhibition at Canberra Glassworks

2021 Arts ACT – Arts activities funding for new work  
Australia Council for the Arts – Arts projects funding for new work  
Flux Mentorship - Canberra Glassworks

2020 Klaus Moje Glass Award finalist - Thor's Hammer, Canberra

2019 CAPO Canberra Glassworks award

2017 Still - National Still Life Prize Finalist - Coffs Harbour Regional Gallery

2016 Hindmarsh Prize Finalist - Canberra Glassworks  
 2015 Hindmarsh Prize Finalist - Canberra Glassworks  
 2015 Juror's Choice award - The Enchanted Forest, Pilchuck Glass School auction  
 2014 Woollahra Small Sculpture Prize Finalist - Sydney  
 2013 Australian Decorative & Fine Arts Society young artists award  
 Arts NSW - NSW artists' grant  
 2012 Ranamok Glass Prize finalist, touring exhibition  
 2011 Arts ACT grant for equipment and new work  
 Australia Council for the Arts, new work grant  
 Arts ACT grant to assist with travel to Pilchuck  
 Silvano Tagliapietra scholarship to attend Benjamin Moore and Adam Holtzinger's class at Pilchuck Glass School  
 Ranamok Glass Prize finalist, touring exhibition  
 2008 Pilchuck Glass School full scholarship to attend Susan Stinsmuehlen-Amend's class  
 Ranamok Glass Prize finalist, touring exhibition  
 2007 Project Development Grant, South Australian Youth Arts Board  
 2006 Ranamok Glass Prize finalist, touring exhibition  
 2005 Jam Factory/Arts SA Pilchuck Scholarship  
 Pilchuck Partner Scholarship to attend Dick Weiss and Susan Stinsmuehlen-Amend's class  
 2004 Takako Sano Student Scholarship to attend 2004 GAS Conference in New Orleans  
 Pilchuck Partner Scholarship to attend Ben Edols' class  
 Ranamok Glass Prize finalist, touring exhibition  
 Kamberra Wine Glass Prize finalist, Canberra  
 2002 Westende Travelling Scholarship  
 Kamberra Wine Glass Prize finalist, Canberra  
 2001 Kamberra Wine Glass Prize finalist, Canberra

**Residencies**

2025 Artist in Residence, Museum of Glass, Tacoma USA  
 Artist in Residence, Canberra Glassworks  
 2018 Artist in Residence, Canberra Glassworks  
 2015 Artist in Residence, Canberra Glassworks  
 2012 Thomas Foundation Artist in Residence, Canberra Glassworks  
 2009 Sydney College of the Arts glass studio, University of Sydney

**Publications**

2009 New Glass Review 30  
 2008 New Glass Review 29  
 2006 500 Glass Objects  
 2005 New Glass Review 26