



GALLERY 2

Claire Conroy

The sky from here

Lismore Regional Gallery



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2 MAY –
22 JUNE 2025



Melissa 2024
pinhole photograph, gelatin silver, positive print
62 x 52 cm

As a recent arrival in northern New South Wales, Claire Conroy's exhibition explores themes of relocation, displacement, and connection. Her work in this exhibition examines relationships between people and place.

The series of photographic images includes landscapes and portraits of people familiar to the artist. They were captured with the soft and reversed effects of pinhole photography, created using camera obscuras the artist makes out of objects, including a 1950s caravan. The resulting hazy, soft-focus images were taken in long exposures.

Conroy's practice has historical links to avant-garde photography from Modernist art movements such as Dada and Surrealism. Some images conjure people and places who are absent, while others celebrate new relationships in a bid to develop deeper understandings of connection to people, place, and community in her new home, the Northern Rivers region.



Strange shores 2015
pinhole photograph, gelatin silver, unique
photographic positive
65 x 100 cm



Self-portrait with camera obscura caravan 2025
pinhole photograph, gelatin silver, unique
photographic negative
33.5 x 44 cm



Still wind in a ghost town – reversal 2015
pinhole photograph, gelatin silver, unique
photographic positive
69 x 128 cm



Melissa, the sky from here 2025
digitally manipulated pinhole photograph, cotton
paper print
60 x 100 cm

list of works

Claire Conroy
born 1977 Sydney, Darug Country
lives/works Murwillumbah,
Bundjalung Country

Clint Curè 2025
pinhole photograph, gelatin silver,
unique photographic collage
negative and positive
62 x 52 cm
\$2,145 (unframed)

Karma Barnes 2025
pinhole photograph, gelatin silver,
unique photographic collage
negative and positive
62 x 52 cm
\$2,000 (unframed)

Melissa 2024
pinhole photograph, gelatin silver,
positive print
62 x 52 cm
\$1,430 (ed. of 5, unframed)

Melissa, the sky from here 2025
digitally manipulated pinhole
photograph, cotton paper print
60 x 100 cm
\$2,145 (ed. of 5, framed)

Robyn Sweaney 2025
pinhole photograph, gelatin silver,
unique photographic negative
33.5 x 44 cm
nfs

Sammy Hawker 2025
pinhole photograph, gelatin silver,
unique photographic collage
negative and positive
33.5 x 44 cm
\$1,430 (unframed)

**Self-portrait with camera obscura
caravan 2025**
pinhole photograph, gelatin silver,
unique photographic negative
33.5 x 44 cm
\$1,430 (unframed)

Still wind in a ghost town 2015
pinhole photograph, gelatin silver,
unique photographic negative
64 x 102 cm
\$2,860 (framed)

**Still wind in a ghost town –
reversal 2015**
pinhole photograph, gelatin silver,
unique photographic positive
69 x 128 cm
\$2,860 (framed)

Strange shores 2015
pinhole photograph, gelatin silver,
unique photographic positive
65 x 100 cm
nfs

The undercover lovers 2010
pinhole photograph with
photogram overlay, gelatin silver,
unique photographic negative
150.5 x 130.5 cm
\$4,720 (framed)

The witnesses 2014
pinhole photograph, gelatin silver,
unique photographic negative
146 x 100 cm
nfs

**Theresa Caruana and Chas Glover
2025**
gelatin silver photograph created
from digital image
33.5 x 44 cm
\$1,140 (ed. of 5, unframed)

all works courtesy the artist