



Ken Done: Sea Gardens  
The Boyd Gallery

Friday 18 January - Sunday 3 March

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*Ken Done: Sea Gardens* is a vibrant and exciting exhibition of paintings, drawings and prints born largely of two recent diving expeditions. The first of these was to the tropical reefs and islands of Tonga in the South Pacific in 2011 and the second one to the coral islands of Wakatobi in Indonesia in 2012.

Painting the underwater world has always been one of Done's great passions as an artist. This exhibition showcases his ventures into previously unexplored reefs and coral islands, and to the more familiar in the Great Barrier Reef and those of the Fijian Islands.

The artist says, "Since I had my first mask and snorkel as a very young boy, I've been fascinated by the things that live and grow under the sea. It's such a joy to experience diving on a new reef somewhere in Australia or the Pacific - or visiting again a familiar coral head. Shimmering, darting, glowing, flickering fish: crusty, craggy, dotted, spotted coral. Underwater gardens teeming with life. Another world of constant inspiration."



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**Ken Done**

*Viridian sea garden* 2011

oil, synthetic polymer paint and oil crayon on Belgian linen  
183.0 x 152.0cm

Courtesy of the artist