



WANDERLUST: work from recent travels
Wendy Sharpe
The Anthony Gallery

Friday 22 April - Sunday 25 September

My love for travel started in my 20s when I first won a scholarship to Europe. Since then, travel has been an integral part of my life and my work. This is an exhibition of work from travels and residencies over the last ten years in Italy, France, Egypt, India, the Middle East, Morocco, Antarctica, Mexico, and Spain. I spend part of every year in my apartment studio in Paris.

Most of the work is gouache and pastel. They were made overseas directly from the subject, or straight after the experience, often in a makeshift studio in a hotel or apartment. The oil paintings, made later back in Australia, are a distillation of the experience, developed mostly from memory and drawings. They move beyond the observational into a more involved and complex narrative.

Among the works on paper there are views from an attic apartment overlooking the terracotta roofs and ancient towers of Florence, from the Aurora Australis icebreaker on a scientific voyage to Antarctica and from a camel market in Egypt.

"I haven't been everywhere, but it's on my list." Susan Sontag

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Wendy Sharpe
The Roof with Washing, Florence 2008
gouache on handmade paper
50 x 70cm