

Open Home

Georgia Claridge

18 August – 21 October 2023

Public Program:

Saturday 7 October
10:30am – 12pm

Miniatures Workshop

Claridge invites you to learn about her current practice and model-making techniques.

This workshop will begin with an artist talk and Q&A, followed by a one hour miniature model-making session led by Claridge.



Georgia Claridge, *Unit 4/70*, 2023

You will be able to make and take home either a:

- working lamp on a bedside table
- functional cabinet with a sink
- selection of miniature artworks and framed pictures.

Exhibition Statement

Home ownership is an unobtainable dream for many Australians. Most are facing uncertainty amidst the current cost of living crisis and many families are being forced to make huge sacrifices in order to keep a roof over their heads. *Open Home* reflects on the safety and fragility of the home through a series of uniquely human rooms at 1:12 scale.

These imagined, miniature living spaces invite you, the audience, to participate in an intimate open home experience. The careful placement of inanimate objects, enable you to draw assumptions about, give identities to, and create in your mind, the inhabitants of these strangely familiar spaces. The residents indirectly show us the importance and value of their homes, and the aspects which make their home theirs, through the collection and arrangement of material possessions

Open Home further explores how a home operates as both a physical living space and a memory space. This memory space activated in the architecture and the arrangement of the inhabitants' personal effects within these miniature spaces. Each room encouraging you to further investigate these private spaces and reflect on how the everyday tells each of our unique stories.

About the Artist

Claridge's works explore the absurdity of the everyday through the lens of personal narrative. She is constantly experimenting with new media, however continually finds herself reaching back to the same thematic elements of nostalgia, connection to place, temporal versus fixed spaces and memory, exploring how these are emphasised through material choices. Through this evolution, she is delighted to share her works which confront the fragility and impermanence of place, and how this connection to place is reflected in everyday materials and objects.

Claridge is a recent graduate of the Australian National University (ANU) and holds a Bachelor of Science and a Bachelor of Visual Arts. Her multi-media works are held in both private and public collections including the National Film and Sound Archive and the ANU's College of Health and Medicine. Claridge currently holds a 2023 residency at Studio Studio.

List of Works

Artwork	Price
1. Unit 47/29 2023, MDF, balsa, pine, resin, plexiglass, paper, cardboard, assorted fabric and metal, house paint, acrylic, watercolour, wire, LEDs, batteries, 285 x 290cm	\$1,800
2. Unit 0/44 2023, MDF, balsa, pine, resin, plexiglass, paper, cardboard, assorted fabric and metal, house paint, acrylic, watercolour, wire, LEDs, batteries, 285 x 290cm	\$1,800
3. Unit 0/34 2023, MDF, balsa, pine, resin, plexiglass, paper, cardboard, assorted fabric and metal, house paint, acrylic, watercolour, wire, LEDs, batteries, 285 x 290cm	\$1,800
4. Unit 0/31 2023, MDF, balsa, pine, resin, plexiglass, paper, cardboard, assorted fabric and metal, house paint, acrylic, watercolour, wire, LEDs, batteries, 285 x 290cm	\$1,800
5. Unit 1/3 2023, MDF, balsa, pine, resin, plexiglass, paper, cardboard, assorted fabric and metal, house paint, acrylic, watercolour, wire, LEDs, batteries, 285 x 290cm	\$1,800
6. Unit 1/32 2023, MDF, balsa, pine, resin, plexiglass, paper, cardboard, assorted fabric and metal, house paint, acrylic, watercolour, wire, LEDs, batteries, 285 x 290cm	\$1,800
7. Unit 24/0 2023, MDF, balsa, pine, resin, plexiglass, paper, cardboard, assorted fabric and metal, house paint, acrylic, watercolour, wire, LEDs, batteries, 285 x 290cm	\$2,100

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| <p>8. Unit 12/39
 2023, MDF, balsa, pine, resin, plexiglass, paper, cardboard, assorted fabric and metal, house paint, acrylic, watercolour, wire, LEDs, batteries, 285 x 290cm</p> | <p>\$2,100</p> |
| <p>9. Unit 18/64
 2023, MDF, balsa, pine, resin, plexiglass, paper, cardboard, assorted fabric and metal, house paint, acrylic, watercolour, wire, LEDs, batteries, 285 x 290cm</p> | <p>\$2,100</p> |
| <p>10. Unit 4/70
 2023, MDF, balsa, pine, resin, plexiglass, paper, cardboard, assorted fabric and metal, house paint, acrylic, watercolour, wire, LEDs, batteries, 285 x 290cm</p> | <p>\$2,100</p> |
| <p>11. Unit 1/4
 2023, MDF, balsa, pine, resin, plexiglass, paper, cardboard, assorted fabric and metal, house paint, acrylic, watercolour, wire, LEDs, batteries, 285 x 290cm</p> | <p>\$2,100</p> |
| <p>12. Unit 1/13
 2023, MDF, balsa, pine, resin, plexiglass, paper, cardboard, assorted fabric and metal, house paint, acrylic, watercolour, wire, LEDs, batteries, 285 x 290cm</p> | <p>\$2,100</p> |

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