

Artist Bio (Short)

Initially recognized through an internship with the Little Wing Corner Gallery in 2014 and mural work for FORM Western Australia's, 'Public' project in 2015, James Giddy proceeded to complete a Bachelor of Fine Arts at Curtin University, and has since, expanded his practice. His murals can be found throughout Australia in New South Wales, Queensland and Western Australia, as well as internationally in India, America, South Africa and Indonesia.

With foundations in watercolour painting, Giddy pays homage to contrast and composition, looking to the natural environment and his near surroundings for inspiration. The immediacy and sense-of-place achieved by the French motif of 'en plein air' painting, translates through a lot of his mural and studio work.

Through the medium of painting, Giddy is able to push and pull emphasis, abstracting and glorifying spaces, encouraging the viewer to reconsider a subject and look beyond a single point of focus. The bold, painterly brushstrokes, compliment his subjects and bring attention to the chosen medium, translating a distinct consistency between murals on several story buildings and small canvas works in the studio.

The works encourage the audience to question and bring their own contextual understanding to the composition, whilst providing a platform of familiarity in the subject and its action. Through these dynamics of a subject and its ground, Giddy often visits themes concerning the every-day and the common Samaritan, whilst using the public reach of his mural work to look at environmental awareness and conservation, drawing focus to nature in an urban environment or on a man-made structure.

Education: Bachelor of Fine Arts, Curtin University 2016

Selected Public Art

January 2022	Bunbury Fringe Festival,	Bunbury, WA
November 2021	Badgingarra Rest Stop, (Commissioned by the Shire of Dandaragan)	Badgingarra, WA
November 2021	Two Rocks Primary School,	Two Rocks, WA
November 2021	COP26 Climate Change Murals, (Funded by Andrew and Nicola Forrest)	Wickepin, WA
August 2021	Curtin Heritage Living, (Commissioned by Wearne Cottesloe)	Cottesloe, WA
May 2021	Hesperia, Rowland St Carpark	Subiaco, WA
May 2021	Mukinbudin Drive In Screen (Commissioned by Shire of Mukinbudin)	Mukinbudin, WA
January 2021	Warwick Twin Cinemas, (Commissioned by Southern Downs Regional Council)	Warwick, QLD
November 2020	Treendale Farm Hotel (Commissioned by Locals Co.)	Australind, WA
October 2020	Bob and Jims General Store,	Esperance, WA
September 2020	Little Wing Corner Gallery,	Subiaco, WA
September 2020	RSPCA Perth,	Malaga, WA
April 2020	Karingal Green Retirement Home,	High Wycombe, WA
January 2020	IIT Kharagpur, (Commissioned for Spring Festival)	West Bengal, India
January 2020	Peter Moyes School,	Quinns Rocks, WA
January 2020	Raine Square,	Perth, WA
August 2019	Lake Yealering Ablutions,	Yealering, WA
July 2019	Grandview/ Automatik,	West Hollywood, Los Angeles, USA
July 2019	White Gum Valley Primary School,	White Gum Valley, WA
June 2019	The Loco Shed,	Donnelly River, WA
May 2019	Bellco Law, (Commissioned by Townsville City Council)	Townsville, QLD
May 2019	Ogden St Bus Hub, (Commissioned by Townsville City Council)	Townsville, QLD