

Media Release- for immediate release

Light & Day

12 to 25 October 2009

MIDDLE PARK ARTIST MAKES A GOOD IMPRESSION

"Poet William Wordsworth called them 'spots of time', those moments when you record an uplifting response that stays with you," says Middle Park artist, Pamela Reid, on the subject of *Light & Day*, her third solo exhibition to be held at Gasworks Arts Park, 12 to 25 October.

"My previous exhibitions featured the human form - my reactions to shape and movement. I have stepped further a field to other experiences, particularly those of my travels here and abroad. Invariably, this is about the impact of light and shade within the environment, those first impressions."

"For almost thirty years, I've taken an early morning walk each day. Whether in my own 'backyard', along the beach to St Kilda or around Albert Park Lake, or on my travels - from Hong Kong, Venice and England's magnificent Lake District to Australia's vast expanses of coastline and Northern Territory's Uluru," says Pamela. "Each day brings inspiration from a new morning's light. My mind, sketch book and camera are bursting with images."

To articulate this emotion, Pamela has worked in several mediums: various printmaking techniques, ink and watercolour, acrylics, gouache, graphite and pastel.

"There's such individuality in what impresses us. I couldn't restrict myself to a single medium," explains Pamela. "Rather, I worked with whatever felt right. I experimented, and the artworks evolved."

*There are in our existence spots of time,
That with distinct pre-eminence retain
A renovating virtue....
Of ordinary intercourse—our minds
Are nourished and invisibly repaired;
A virtue, by which pleasure is enhanced,
That penetrates, enables us to mount,
When high, more high, and lifts us up when fallen.*

From Wordsworth's *The Prelude* 12.208-218 (1805 edition)

For more information please visit: gasworks.org.au

Light & Day

Exhibition dates: 12 to 25 October 2009

Opening: **Monday 12 October, 6.30 to 8.00pm**

Venue: Angela Roberts-Bird Gallery, Gasworks Arts Park

Corner Graham and Pickles Streets, Albert Park Melways Ref: 2J H7

Free entry: 9am to 5pm, daily

Enquiries: t: 03 8606 4200 or www.gasworks.org.au

Image attached: "Desert Flowers N.T." (lino-cut with gouache & ink) by Pamela Reid