

THE COMMERCIAL

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Education

- 2000-2002 Master of Fine Arts (research), College of Fine Arts of the University of New South Wales, Sydney
- 1999 Bachelor of Fine Arts (honours), College of Fine Arts of the University of New South Wales, Sydney
- 1996-1998 Bachelor of Visual Arts, The University of Newcastle, Newcastle

Solo exhibitions

- 2023 *Judo-House part: 10 (plain crazy)*, The Commercial, Sydney
- 2021 *Judo-House part: 9 (birdland)*, The Commercial, Sydney
- 2017 *Judo-House part: 7 (the white light)*, Yuill/Crowley, Sydney
- 2016 *Judo-House part: 6 (the white bird)*, The Lock-Up, Newcastle
- 2015 *Nigel Milsom: An Overview*, Juniper Hall, Sydney
- 2013 *Judo-House part: 5 (hope, faith and luck)*, Yuill/Crowley, Sydney
- 2011 *Judo-House part: 4 (golden mud)*, Yuill/Crowley, Sydney
- 2010 *Judo-House part: 3 (bird as prophet)*, Yuill/Crowley, Sydney
Project Exhibition, Allens Arthur Robinson Art Space, Sydney
- 2009 *Judo-House part: 2 (untitled)*, Yuill/Crowley, Sydney
- 2008 *The Rubber-Room (the incident)*, Yuill/Crowley, Sydney
- 2007 *Living on Luck*, National Art School Gallery, Sydney
- 2006 *Choir*, Firstdraft, Sydney
- 2005 *Vaseline/Gasoline*, PhatSpace Gallery, Sydney
- 2004 *Rollercoaster*, Francis Baker Smith Gallery, Sydney
- 2003 *Sustaining Order: a chronicle of regression*, Kudos Gallery, Sydney
- 2002 *Stiff-Style*, Imperial Slacks Gallery, Sydney
- 2001 *Last Man Standing*, Lindsay Street Gallery, Newcastle

Group exhibitions

- 2022 *Zombie Eaters*, curated by Michael Moran, Murray Art Museum Albury, Albury, NSW
Ten Years, The Commercial, Sydney
- 2021 *Shadow Boxer*, curated by Kim Blunt, Maitland Regional Art Gallery, Maitland, NSW
The Commercial – Mitch Cairns, Nigel Milsom, Jude Rae, Explore Sydney Contemporary, The Commercial, Sydney
- 2020 *NEXT*, The Commercial, Sydney
Locus Focus, Newcastle Art Space, Newcastle, NSW
- 2018 *5 x 5 – the Artist and the Patron*, curated by Michael Do, Penrith Regional Gallery, Penrith, NSW
RISAILLE: Shades of grey from the collection, Newcastle Art Gallery, Newcastle, NSW
- 2017 *Australian art and the Russian avant-garde*, Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney
Ecstasy: Baroque and Beyond, curated by Andrea Bubenik, The University of Queensland Art Museum, Brisbane
- 2016 *Painting. More Painting*, curated by Max Delany, Annika Kristensen and Hannah Mathews, Australian Centre for Contemporary Art, Melbourne
- 2012 *Volume One: MCA Collection*, Museum of Contemporary Art Australia, Sydney
- 2011 *In Great Trouble: The Traumatic Australian Landscape*, curated by Fiona Lowry, Bondi Pavilion Gallery, Sydney
- 2010 *Wilderness: Balnaves contemporary painting*, curated by Wayne Tunnicliffe, Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney

- Shining Light*, Yuill/Crowley, Sydney
Alpha Romeo – Mitch Cairns, Christopher Hanrahan, Nigel Milsom, curated by Matthys Gerber, Peloton Gallery, Sydney
- 2009 *Big Painting*, FraserArt Space, Sydney
- 2008 *This And That*, Yuill/Crowley, Sydney
Man: depicting contemporary masculinity, curated by Luke Parker, Penrith Regional Art Gallery, Penrith, NSW
- 2007 *Other Worlds/Other News*, Starkwhite, Auckland. New Zealand
Terminus Projects, curated by Sarah Rawlings and Clare Lewis, ABC Building, Sydney
- 2006 *The Year in Art*, curated by Lisa Havilah & Jane Watters, S. H. Irvin Gallery, Sydney
ABN AMRO Emerging Artists Award, ABN AMRO, Sydney
Ironic Expressionism, curated by Andrew Frost, Virginia Wilson Art, Sydney
Scissors, Paper, Rock, Firstdraft, Sydney
- 2005 *Stars of Track and Field*, Campbelltown Arts Centre, Campbelltown, NSW
To Think We Almost Made It: the anti-heroic gestures of true romantics, curated by Michael Moran, Firstdraft Gallery, Sydney
I'm Interested in Everything, Rocketart, Newcastle, NSW
- 2004 *The Barnyard Show*, Francis Baker Smith Gallery, Sydney
MFA Graduate Exhibition, Ivan Dougherty Gallery, Sydney
- 2002 *We Care A Lot*, Imperial Slacks Gallery, Sydney
The True History of The Kelly Gang, Firstdraft, Sydney
- 2001 *Full Fathom Five*, Rocketart, Newcastle, NSW
Mullet: new Australian style, COFA Exhibition and Performance Space, Sydney
- 2000 *Take Five*, Rocketart, Newcastle
Group Show, Gallery Nineteen, Sydney
Fifty/Fifty, Gallery Nineteen, Sydney

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- 2017 Andrea Rubenik, 'Nigel Milsom: Judo House Part 6 (The White Bird)', *Ecstasy: Baroque and Beyond*, exh. cat., The University of Queensland Art Museum, Brisbane, pp. 16-17.
- 2016 'Nigel Milsom', *Look*, Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, June 2016, p.12.
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- 2015 Rachel Kent, 'Nigel Milsom: Surface tension', *Art Monthly Australia*, no. 280, June 2015, pp. 40-43.
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- 2012 Vaughan O'Connor, 'Dark Victory: Nigel Milsom Profile', *Incubate*, no. 8, 2012, pp. 58-61.
 Ingrid Periz, 'Nigel Milsom: Judo House Part 4 (Golden Mud)', *Eyeline*, no. 76, 2012, pp.79.
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 Nina Pether, 'The Art of Corporate Identity', *Artwrite*, COFA blog, 2011.
- 2010 Natasha Bullock, 'Nigel Milsom', *Wilderness: Balnaves contemporary painting*, exh. cat., Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, 2010, pp. 82-89.
- 2009 'Nigel Milsom', *MCA Collection: new Acquisitions 2009*, exh. cat., Museum of Contemporary Art, Sydney, 2009, pp.20-21.

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Prizes

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Kilgour Prize, Newcastle Art Gallery, Newcastle, NSW (finalist)
- 2015 Archibald Prize, Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney (winner)
- 2013 Doug Moran National Portrait Prize, Moran Arts Foundation, Sydney (winner)
- 2012 Archibald Prize, Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney (finalist)
Sir John Sulman Prize, Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney (winner)
- 2011 Sir John Sulman Prize, Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney (finalist)
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- 2010 Doug Moran National Portrait Prize, Moran Arts Foundation, Sydney (finalist)
Archibald Prize, Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney (finalist)
- 2008 Fisher's Ghost Art Award, Campbelltown Arts Centre, Campbelltown (winner)
Doug Moran National Portrait Prize, Moran Arts Foundation, Sydney (finalist)

Collections

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Campbelltown Arts Centre, Campbelltown
Commonwealth Bank of Australia, Melbourne
Maitland Regional Art Gallery
Monash University Art Collection, Melbourne
Museum of Contemporary Art Australia, Sydney
Newcastle Art Gallery, Newcastle
Wesfarmers Art Collection, Perth
Wollongong University Art Collection, Wollongong