



peter norton BIOGRAPHY

Peter Norton emigrated to Australia from the United Kingdom aged 8 and immediately developed a close affinity with the colours and light of the Australian landscape. Presented with a camera as a birthday present in his late teens, Peter became a keen self-taught amateur photographer. However, this passion was put aside when he became transfixed by fashion, leading to a success career spanning 25 years and the creation of his own self-named label, Peter Norton.

During this time, the label won 7 FIA awards (Fashion Industry Awards of Australia), culminating in a place in the prestigious Fashion Hall of Fame. Peter was also Chairman of the Australian Fashion Awards and Vice-President of the Fashion Industries of Australia.

After selling the successful company, Peter has returned to his first love — photography. From this point, his work has focused primarily upon macro images of exotic flora, as well as landscapes, travel photography, and, following a expedition to Antarctica, wildlife. An avid traveller, Peter has found inspiration while exploring South East Asia, Central and coastal Australia, and further afield, to South America and Antarctica.

From 1999-2002, Peter was Artist in Residence at the Sydney Renaissance Hotel, now the Harbourside Marriot Hotel. He now lives and works from his Annandale studio, Sydney with his designer wife, Kylie and fearless hound, Monroe.

Exhibitions

- 2005 *Captured in Ice*, CityLivingGallery, Walsh Bay
- 2004 *Ice + Water*, at the artist's studio, Sydney
- 2003 *Bloom*, at the artist's studio, Sydney
- 2003 *Bloom II*, Artflower Gallery, Woollahra
- 2002 *South America and Macro Flower Images III*
Artist-in-Residence, Harbourside Marriot Hotel
- 2001 *Antarctica, in the footsteps of Shackleton*
Artist-in-Residence, Harbourside Marriot Hotel
Macro Flowers II
Whale Beach Restaurant and Gallery, permanent exhibition
Flora, Tearooms QVB, Sydney
- 2000 *Australian Icons* (the great barrier reef, sydney, the red centre)
Artist-in-Residence, Harbourside Marriot Hotel
Angkor Wat, Cambodia & Macro Flowers I
Artist-in-Residence, Harbourside Marriot Hotel
Hunter Valley II, Private Commission on permanent display at Patrick Plains Estate, Polkolbin
- 1999 *Hunter Valley I*, Private Commission on permanent display at Patrick Plains Estate, Polkolbin

Collections

Private collections across Australia, Japan, USA, United Kingdom, Sweden, China and Hong Kong. Corporate collections include Charles Parsons (China), La Goulue Restaurant (private commission), Patrick Plains Estate (private commission), World Square (private commission).

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