Paul Yore and Albert Tucker: Structures of Feeling

8 April to 3 September 2023 Albert & Barbara Tucker Gallery Guest Curator: Aaron Bradbrook





Paul Yore
We Are Blind To Our Own Blindness 2022
mixed media, textile appliqué
comprising found materials, reclaimed
fabrics, beads, sequins, buttons, acrylic,
lace and cotton threads
232 x 331 cm
Courtesy of the artist and
Hugo Michell Gallery, Adelaide and
STATION, Melbourne and Sydney

Paul Yore and Albert Tucker: Structures of Feeling aligns the work of two ground-breaking Australian artists from different generations. The exhibition interrogates the response of each artist to the broader socio-political contexts surrounding them and the impacts of dominant cultural norms.

Albert Tucker's art was driven and energised by the perceived moral depravity of wartime Melbourne in the early 1940s and in post-war Europe, by his reflections on religion, and the destructive nature of Australian colonial-settler society. Paul Yore's attack is instead directed towards present day oppression and the marginalisation of peoples due to prevailing attitudes upheld by cis-hetero-patriarchal culture, neo-liberalism and Anglo-American imperialism.

By aligning the practices of Tucker and Yore, the exhibition draws attention to the incredible power that cultural regimes wield in shaping belief systems. Such systems create hierarchies among individuals and populations and perpetuate oppressive policies. *Structures of Feeling* presents an alternate lens through which to interpret Tucker's depiction of historical events, alongside an opportunity to consider whose experiences are withheld, while imagining a hopeful and more equitable future.

List of works

This catalogue is arranged alphabetically by artist then chronologically. Measurements are height before width before depth.

Albert Tucker

born 1914, Melbourne, Victoria. Lived and worked Melbourne. Died 1999



Children of Athens 1940 oil on cardboard 47 x 29.9 cm Heide Museum of Modern Art Purchased from John and Sunday Reed 1980



The Futile City 1940 oil on cardboard 44.5 x 54.5 cm Heide Museum of Modern Art Purchased from John and Sunday Reed 1980



Emaciated Head (Untitled Head) 1943 pastel on paper 13.5 x 17.6 cm Heide Museum of Modern Art On long-term loan from the Albert & Barbara Tucker Foundation



Victory Girls 1943 oil on cardboard 64.6 x 58.7 cm National Gallery of Australia, Canberra Purchased 1971



Image of Modern Evil: Spring in Fitzroy 24 March 1943 oil on canvas on plywood 58.7 x 69 cm National Gallery of Australia, Canberra Gift of the artist 1982



Image of Modern Evil: Woman and Clown May 1943 oil on canvas on composition board 51.8 x 72.5 cm National Gallery of Australia, Canberra Gift of the artist 1983



Image of Modern Evil 24 1945 oil on composition board 64.8 x 53.5 cm National Gallery of Australia, Canberra Gift of the artist 1981



Luna Park 1945 oil on composition board 53 x 81 cm Heide Museum of Modern Art Gift of Barbara Tucker 2005



Tivoli Clown 1945 oil on composition board 61 x 45.5 cm Heide Museum of Modern Art Gift of Barbara Tucker 2005



Abstract Figures 1948
pastel, crayon and pencil on paper
18 x 25 cm
Heide Museum of Modern Art
On long-term loan from the
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Courtship 1949 gouache, watercolour, pencil and oil pastel on paper 11.8 x 18 cm Private collection, Sydney, courtesy of Smith & Singer Fine Art



Killing 1954
oil on composition board
81 x 62 cm
Heide Museum of Modern Art
On long-term loan from the
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(Gippsland Intruder) 1965 oil on composition board 60.5 x 75.6 cm Heide Museum of Modern Art Gift of Lyn Williams from the Estate of Fred Williams 1998



From the Void 1968 synthetic polymer paint and collage on composition board 76 x 61 cm Albert & Barbara Tucker Foundation



Night Image 1973 oil on composition board 56 x 71 cm Heide Museum of Modern Art Gift of Barbara Tucker 2014



The Assassin c.1995 synthetic polymer paint on canvas 80 x 100 cm Albert & Barbara Tucker Foundation



An Alien Death 1992 oil on composition board 127 x 107 cm Albert & Barbara Tucker Foundation

Paul Yore

born 1987, Melbourne, Victoria. Lives and works Gippsland, Victoria



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Courtesy of the artist and Hugo Michell Gallery, Adelaide and STATION, Melbourne and Sydney



Mural 2023 Courtesy of the artist and Hugo Michell Gallery, Adelaide and STATION, Melbourne and Sydney



DEATH IS COMING 2023
mixed media, assemblage comprising
found objects, jewellery, beads, buttons,
enamel, wood, epoxy resin and LED
91 x 120 x 15.1 cm
Courtesy of the artist and
Hugo Michell Gallery, Adelaide and
STATION, Melbourne and Sydney



EAT MY A\$\$ 2023

wool, needlepoint, appliquéd textile comprising found materials, sequins, buttons, beads, and frame comprising wood, acrylic, found objects, toys, mirror and LED 88 x 87.5 cm
Courtesy of the artist and Hugo Michell Gallery, Adelaide and STATION, Melbourne and Sydney



NUKE THE USA! 2023 mixed media, textile appliqué comprising found materials, reclaimed fabrics, beads, sequins, buttons, acrylic, lace and cotton threads 223.8 x 251.5 cm Courtesy of the artist and Hugo Michell Gallery, Adelaide and STATION, Melbourne and Sydney



STRUCTURES OF FEELING 2023 wool, needlepoint, appliquéd textile comprising found materials, sequins, buttons, beads, and frame comprising wood, acrylic, oil, collage, glitter, found objects, toys, mirrior and LED 163 x 126.2 x 7 cm
Courtesy of the artist and Hugo Michell Gallery, Adelaide and STATION, Melbourne and Sydney



SUCH IS LIFE 2023
mixed media, assemblage comprising
found objects, glass, jewellery, beads,
buttons, enamel, wood, epoxy resin, LED,
screen, video and sound
230.8 x 63 x 52 cm
Courtesy of the artist and
Hugo Michell Gallery, Adelaide and
STATION, Melbourne and Sydney



THANKS FOR NOTHING 2023
wool, needlepoint, appliquéd textile
comprising found materials, sequins,
buttons, beads, and frame comprising
wood, acrylic, found objects, toys,
mirror and LED
90 x 87 cm
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