

Dreams of Another Life

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Dreams of Another Life contemplates the passage of migration – the act of leaving one place to make a new life elsewhere. The subject, M, arrived in Australia as a 17-year-old in 1948 from the displaced persons camps in Europe as part of the Australian government's Displaced Persons Scheme, post WWII.

The work draws from research as well as a personal connection to M who worked for my parents and looked after me as a child. The archival and documentary source material has been manipulated and re-worked using collage, text and colour. Woven through this reappraisal of the historical narrative, and its iconography, are M's unrealised dreams and hopes, suppressed by work and family responsibilities and the times in which she lived.

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No.	Title	Year	Medium	Dimensions (cm)	Price
1	<i>Present–Past</i>	2019– 2020	Printmedia on paper, watercolour + collage	69.3 h × 110.8 w	\$800 (Unframed)
2	<i>The Underworld</i>	2019– 2020	Printmedia on paper + collage	72.2 h × 78.2 w	\$750 (Unframed)
3	<i>The Rights of Women – The Dreams of Men</i>	2019– 2020	Printmedia on paper	73.2 h × 78.4 w	\$750 (Unframed)
4	<i>The List</i>	2019	Printmedia on paper	72.5 h × 79.3 w	\$750 (Unframed)
5	<i>Reading the Stars</i>	2019	Archival print, printmedia + collage on paper	61 h × 38.8 w	\$1,100 (Framed)
6	<i>...all the women were domestics</i>	2018	Printmedia on paper	76.7 h × 51.5 w	\$1,500 (Framed)
7	<i>Paperwork</i>	2019	Printmedia on paper	76.5 h × 56.5 w	\$1,500 (Framed)
8	<i>Beautiful Balts (Arthur Calwell)</i>	2018	Printmedia on paper	76 h × 56 w	\$1,500 (Framed)
9	<i>Subsumed Passions</i>	2019	Printmedia on paper + collage	75.5 h × 52.5 w	\$1,500 (Framed)
10	<i>By Design</i>	2019	Printmedia on paper	76 h × 56 w	\$1,500 (Framed)
11	<i>Motherwell – Relations of Power</i>	2018	Printmedia on paper (found material)	27 h × 27 w	\$875 (Framed)
12	<i>Able Bodied</i>	2018	Archival print, drawing ink + collage	44.1 h × 25.5 w	\$980 (Framed)
13	<i>The Camp – Mildura</i>	2019	Archival print, watercolour + collage	28.3 h × 40 w	\$980 (Framed)
14	<i>#MeToo</i>	2020	Printmedia on paper, archival print, watercolour + collage	41.5 h × 29.5 w × 0.6 d	\$950 (Framed)
15	<i>Becoming Australian</i>	2020	Archival print on paper + red twine	200 h × 110 w	\$1,600 (Unframed)
16	<i>Australia House</i>	2019	Archival print + posca pen	82 h × 56 w	\$1,500 (Framed)
17	<i>Voyage of the Displaced</i>	2018	Archival print + posca pen	127 h × 224 w	\$1,200 (Unframed)
18	<i>Europahaus – Passing Through</i>	2018	Archival print + watercolour	68 h × 56 w	\$1,200 (Framed)

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