



## City of Townsville Art Collection: Recent Acquisitions

2 December 2022 - 5 March 2023

## Australian Government's Cultural Gift Program

**Ross Searle** has a long relationship with the City of Townsville Art Collection, including directorship of the Perc Tucker Regional Gallery and the University of Queensland Art Museum. He is an avid collector, benefactor, and art museum professional working closely with Townsville City Galleries as a guest curator in developing significant exhibitions produced and shown celebrating artworks made in North Queensland by local and visiting artists to the region.

Ross Searle has significantly helped shape the City of Townsville Art Collection theme of art in the tropics and, most recently, with the donation of six significant historical and contemporary artworks, including two works by Hermannsburg artists, into the City of Townsville Art Collection.

This donation is a significant addition to the City of Townsville Art Collection in line with the collection priority area 6.2 Australian Art, Art of North Queensland, Australian Colonial and Historical Art, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art, Australian Modern and Contemporary Art.

You can see a range of artworks donated by Ross Searle in the City of Townsville Art Collection: *Recent Acquisitions* exhibition on display at Perc Tucker Regional Gallery 2 December 2022 – 5 March 2021.